

***Interactive comment on “The Community
Multiscale Air Quality (CMAQ) Model Versions 5.3
and 5.3.1: System Updates and Evaluation” by
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This manuscript provides a description and evaluation of the newest versions of the CMAQ modeling system. The paper is extremely well-written, comprehensive and thorough. For the first time in my 30+ year career, I can find nothing to criticize or comment on. I recommend that the paper be published as is. Well done authors!

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