Dear Editor of Ocean Science,

We thank you very much for your patience with us, and for the careful read of the manuscript and the suggested edits.

We have now attended to all those edits.

In addition we added a link to a repository at NOAA NCEI with the data of the calculated water mass fractions in the Atlantic. This is the same repository as where the GLODAP data product is stored.

With best regards,

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