

## **Review #1**

**We thank the Editor for his thoughtful reading of our manuscript and very helpful comments. Please, find our detailed answers below.**

**Q1:** P.3, L27. We have changed this part of the sentence to "...and the modified returning AW."

**Q2:** P.5, L6. We have replaced dashes for intervals throughout the text.

**Q3:** P.5, L9. We have removed a dash from this sentence.

**Q4:** P.5, L27. We have changed this reference to Nurser and Bacon (2014).

**Q5:** P.5, L9. We have changed this sentence as suggested.

**Q6:** P.7, L2. We have introduced the suggested change.

**Q7:** P.7, L8. We have added a required article.

**Q8:** P.8, L16. We have changed this sentence as suggested. Now it sounds like "The integral of  $D_w$  over the length of the mooring section provides the net volume transport."

**Q9:** P.9, L1. We have changed "limitation" to "limitations" in this sentence.

**Q10:** P.9, L17. We have changed "will increase" to "increases" in this sentence.

**Q11:** P.9, L23-27. We have changed this sentence to make it more transparent and correct.

**Q12:** P.10, L1. We have changed this sentence to "A similar dependence on  $S_{ref}$  occurs in calculations of freshwater transports (see Tsubouchi et al., 2012; Carmack et al., 2016 for discussion)."

**Q13:** P.10, L1. We have removed "...relative to fresh water" from this sentence. We have also noted in the text that with  $S_{ref} = 0$  salt transport has unambiguous physical meaning even for a non-zero net volume transport.

**Q14:** P.10, L21. We have changed the title of this section to "Water mass and flow structures over the Laptev Sea slope in 2013-15".

**Q15:** P.11, L1. We have changed the title of this section to "Water mass structure over the Laptev Sea slope".

**Q16:** P.11, L30; P.13, L4; P.14, L26. We have added required articles.

**Q17:** P.14, L28. We have added the reference to Zakharchuk (2009), who described Rossby waves with those periods.