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Subject: JCLIM Intermediate Decision for JCLI-3656
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Dear Dr. O'Donnell,

I am now in receipt of all reviews of the revised manuscript entitled "Improved methods for PCA-based reconstructions: case study using the Steig et al. (2009) Antarctic temperature reconstruction" (JCLI-3656) by Ryan O'Donnell, Nicholas Lewis, Steve McIntyre, Jeff Condon.

On the basis of this second round of review, and my own evaluation, it appears that the manuscript may be acceptable for publication in the Journal of Climate after some further major revision. Copies of the reviews are enclosed for your information.

Please upload your revised manuscript, along with a detailed explanation of how you have responded to the comments of each reviewer within two months of today's date. (Before September 22, 2010.)

Please respond to all of the comments of the reviewers. To allay some of the concerns you have expressed about Rev. A, I have sought the advice of an additional reviewer (Rev. D). Please note that several of Rev. D's comments are similar to points made by Rev. A and thus warrant especially close attention. Please note also that Rev. B has suggested that the supplementary information is not needed. Although not stated in the review, Rev. B has also asked to see the next revision.

Once again, when preparing your revisions, please refer to the enclosed Revision Checklist. Because the AMS is requesting that all revision submissions meet final production requirements, following this checklist will streamline the processing of your manuscript, should it be accepted at a future date. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Anthony J. Broccoli
Chief Editor for the Journal of Climate