Interactive comment on “On the determination of the global cloud feedback from satellite measurements” by T. Masters

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After the first reviews, the peer review process at ESD Discussions is not published online until the paper is finally accepted or rejected for ESD. I would like to see the review process made more open, as this contentious paper elicited some odd behaviour from some of those involved, which made the editing task quite difficult.

So - for this paper we had 3 rounds of Major Revision in total. Finally I decided that despite continued calls to reject the paper, one reviewer had not provided the incisive criticism which would compel rejection. The other two reviewers accepted the paper. Although I am by no means a specialist in the subject of cloud feedback, I think the manuscript makes some valuable points, and I finally decided to accept the revised version for ESD.
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