



## Supplement of

## Assessment of the theoretical limit in instrumental detectability of northern high-latitude methane sources using $\delta^{13}C_{CH4}$ atmospheric signals

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**Figure S1.** Time series of  $\delta^{13}$ C-CH<sub>4</sub> contribution of each source (in ‰), simulated by CHIMERE, in Alert (ALT) in 2012. The coloured shades represent the range of  $\delta^{13}$ C-CH<sub>4</sub> values when varying isotopic signatures. (Note the different scales.)



Source contribution - Alert





Source contribution - Ambarchik

Figure S3. Same as S1 for Baker Lake site (BKL).



Source contribution - Bakerlake

Figure S4. Same as S1 for Barrow site (BRW).



Source contribution - Barrow



Source contribution - Behchoko

Figure S6. Same as S1 for Cambridge Bay site (CBB).



Source contribution - Cambridgebay

Figure S7. Same as S1 for CARVE Tower site (CAR).



Source contribution - CARVEtower

Figure S8. Same as S1 for Cherskii site (CHS).



Source contribution - Cherskii

Figure S9. Same as S1 for Churchill site (CHL).



Source contribution - Churchill



## Source contribution - Coldbay

Figure S11. Same as S1 for Demyanskoe site (DEM).



Source contribution - DEM

Figure S12. Same as S1 for Igrim site (IGR).



Source contribution - IGR



Source contribution - Inuvik

Figure S14. Same as S1 for Karasevoe site (KRS).



Source contribution - KRS

Figure S15. Same as S1 for Noyarbrsk site (NOY).



Source contribution - NOY



Source contribution - Pallas





Source contribution - Storhofdi

Figure S18. Same as S1 for Summit site (SUM).



Source contribution - Summit

Figure S19. Same as S1 for Teriberka site (TER).



Source contribution - Teriberka



Source contribution - Tiksi



Source contribution - VGN



## Source contribution - YAK



Source contribution - ZOT

**Figure S24.** Same as Figure 5 but with an isotopic signature for wetland emissions of -55‰ (top two rows) and (-80‰ (bottom two



**Figure S25.** Same as Figure 5 but with an isotopic signature for freshwater emissions of -50‰ (top two rows) and (-80‰ (bottom two



**Figure S26.** Same as Figure 5 but with an isotopic signature for oil and gas emissions of -40‰ (top two rows) and (-50‰ (bottom two



**Figure S27.** Same as Figure 5 but with an isotopic signature for coal emissions of -50‰ (top two rows) and -65‰ (bottom two



**Figure S28.** Same as Figure 5 but with an isotopic signature for ESAS emissions of -50‰ (top two rows) and -80‰ (bottom two rows).



**Figure S27.** Same as Figure 5 but with an isotopic signature for Biomass burning emissions of -21‰ (top two rows) and -30‰ (bottom two rows).

