

Referee 1 provided excellent feedback that we have addressed in the responses given below. Their suggestions have helped to improve the clarity of our manuscript.

Referee 1 major comments:

1. (a) A brief, but better, ‘connection to’ or ‘distinction of’ this study and previous studies within Wyoming’s UGRB should be described. For example, were the meteorological conditions of this study similar or different compared to Schnell et al. [2009]?

<Response> 1. (a) The last paragraph of the introduction has been modified to provide improved connection and distinction with other studies in the UGRB. A complete, thorough, in depth comparison analysis of the prevailing meteorological and other conditions during this study to those in other years would constitute a separate stand-alone paper, that would parallel the related statistical study carried out for the UGRB and Uintah basins by Mansfield and Hall (Air Quality, Atmosphere & Health, December 2013, Volume 6, Issue 4, pp 687-699). We have added some extra detail later in the paper (section 3.1) regarding meteorology, in particular as it pertains to 2011 to 2012 differences, as well as strengthening the paper by including the matrix used by Wyoming DEQ to define appropriate meteorological conditions for ozone production.

1. (b) Does this study provide measurements of NMHCs that were not included in the photochemical modeling of Carter and Seinfeld [2012]?

<Response> 1. (b) This study presents 2,389 hourly measurements at BSR of speciated NMHC that were not included in the photochemical modeling of Carter and Seinfeld [2012]. The latter paper only used data from 1 of 12 spatial surveys that are presented here.

1. (c) Field et al. provides valuable information on the source apportionment of NMHC emissions in the UGRB, but the question remains if these source categories are broadly applicable to or independent of previous studies.

<Response> 1. (c) The principal aim of the paper is to provide NMHC source apportionment information. This analysis has not been attempted in previous work that has utilized a limited subset of the BSR dataset. The results of the analysis presented here, while original and independent, are indeed applicable to other studies that consider fugitive natural gas emissions and/or fugitive condensate emissions both in the UGRB and elsewhere in the US and

beyond. This paper provides clear confirmation of the dominance of fugitive emissions, in particular “wet natural gas.” In particular, the analysis related to water treatment emissions is unique and demonstrates the influence of such emissions on the production of ozone in the Boulder region of the Pinedale Anticline. Emissions from water treatment facilities have not been recognized previously as being so significant, in terms of their effect on ozone production. The results presented here are applicable to previous work and address some of the data needs noted by Carter and Seinfeld [2012]. The novel findings of the paper therefore add to the previously published work, in particular by highlighting the importance and impact of water treatment emissions, and, by inference, by providing information that enhances our understanding of air quality impacts resulting from produced water.

2. (a) There is little discussion of the meteorological conditions for the winters of 2011 and 2012. The author’s observed lower levels of NMHCs in 2012, but I would assume that has more to do with meteorology than changes in emissions. As noted in the introduction, previous studies have shown that meteorology (shallow temperature inversions, low wind speeds, presence of snow to increase actinic flux, etc.) is a key variable in determining the buildup of O₃ within western shale basins [Schnell 2009 and Edwards 2014].

<Response> 2.(a) Additional discussion is now given to meteorological differences between the two years of measurements at BSR in section 3.1, with additional supporting data from elsewhere (i.e. UGWOS reports, in particular MSI 2014). We add information regarding meteorology in 2012 compared to 2011. We have also added information that emission inventories show reductions from 2011 to 2012 for VOC and NO_x. Also other corroborating ambient measurement data that supports the different behavior of total NMHC in 2011 vs. 2012 is now included. Specifically, the differences of total NMHC and NO_x between 2011 and 2012 are now quantified in section 3.1. Changes for NO_x and total NMHC are better explained with reduction of peak NMHC more likely are due to changes of emissions. Year-to-year changes are now noted as probably being driven by emissions, but we note that meteorological influences cannot be entirely discounted.

2. (b) Figure 4 clearly shows that high NO_x (between 6-20 ppbv NO_x) and NMHC (>0.2 ppmC) values will be present yet O₃ may still be below 40 ppbv indicating that there is another important variable that has not been adequately addressed.

<Response> 2.(b) Figure 4 shows that elevated precursor levels are sometimes observed when ozone is not significantly elevated. This is not surprising, because as stated in the text other factors such as meteorology and actinic flux levels must also be favorable. We have now noted this important condition in the text with respect to Wyoming DEQ predictions, thereby clarifying the last paragraph of section 3.3 with respect to the coupling of high ozone with and elevated NMHC. The importance of high NMHC is now placed in a better context.

3. One interesting observation is the occasional differences in O₃ profiles and peak O₃ levels measured at the Boulder South Road (BSR) and the Boulder (BLDR) sites when they are only 5 km apart. The authors point to the “importance of background, production, and transport [of O₃];” however, not enough information is currently provided to show that (a) the O₃ levels should be similar but aren't or (b) the air mass trajectories were affected by different source regions of O₃ precursors, etc. For example, the observed ozone gradients between the sites could suggest inhomogeneity in O₃ precursor sources; however, the authors note that the NMHC composition is quite similar throughout the basin with the exception of the water treatment facility. If this is an important source of O₃ precursors, then it should be possible to show that the emissions from this facility had a larger impact on one site versus the other. Does geography or meteorology effect air flow over the 2 sites? Is there a significant difference in elevation between BSR and BLDR sites? If one site is lower than the other, does that site experience higher O₃ levels? experience higher O₃ levels?

<Response> 3. In section 3.2 we have now included reference to the lack of difference between the two Boulder sites for data collected outside of the time period of ozone episodes during 2010/2011. We have added comments that show that under these conditions ozone levels are similar with for example hourly values with 10 ppbv, compared to the observations shown in Figure 3. Over the distance between the two sites the modeling of air flow is not practical for this paper, but we have now included reference to wind direction information. During the two days with the highest difference in ozone with high levels at BLDR we note the possible influence of factor 3 (Water treatment facility). This point is noted in the text, but the influence of factor 3

upon BLDR is inferred rather than measured. We have added notation of the geography of the two sites as BLDR is elevated at the top of a hill and BSR is in a river valley. However the difference in elevation is only 20m. The question of pooling was one of the reasons for the site location at BSR and there was no evidence for this behavior with ozone levels comparable, excluding episodes when differences were evident. We have added the elevation information of the Boulder sites.

4. By comparing the total NMHC response and the sum of the speciated NMHC measurements, the authors show that the reported NMHCs accounted for 57% of the total NMHC and all detected NMHCs account for 88% of total NMHC. The authors state that the “missing mass is related to heavier NMHC” and that the “contributions of oxygenated VOCs...not detected by the OPA can only be small.” This leads to the following questions: (a,b,c)

4. (a) Do temporal/diurnal trends of this “missing mass” give any indication that the source is primary vs. secondary? Based on the work of Edwards et al. (2014), oxygenated VOCs (e.g., carbonyls) have been shown to be photochemically produced in significant quantities from NMHC precursors and that these species are an important photolytic source of HO_x radicals that contribute to the photochemical formation of winter O₃ in the Uintah Basin. I would expect oxygenated VOCs to play a non-negligible role in O₃ formation in Wyoming even if they may be a small fraction of the carbon mass.

<Response> 4. (a) The median and mean difference between NMHC and VOC is not statistically significantly different by time-of-day. There are 6 to 7 high outliers in the afternoon hours, but the change in the median is definitely not statistically significant. The periods when differences are >500 ppbC do not correlate with those when ozone > 75 ppb. Thus unreported and unidentified mass is not correlated with high ozone, residuals aren't changing significantly with time-of-day, and do not explain the high ozone. Additional insight could be obtained if speciated residual mass were to be available, but the lump sum isn't explanatory/predictive. While carbonyls are not measured by the OPA system their efficiency of trapping is unknown on the 55i instrument. We add discussion related to the role of carbonyls and add reference to data collected WDEQ and reported in MSI 2014 that includes measurements of oxygenates and also

carbonyls. The point that while carbonyls have low contribution with respect to mass but a significant role in ozone production is now included.

4. (b) Can this “missing mass” residual be included in the PMF analysis? If it is related to “heavier NMHC,” then it may have a strong contribution from Factor 3.

<Response> 4. (b) The “missing mass” is already included in the PMF, as total NMHC is included as a bulk species. And discussion of the difference between this parameter and speciated NMHC is included. It would not be appropriate to add unidentified peaks or rather a lump sum of detected but undefined material from the chromatogram of the PE OPA system. It is plausible to include “missing mass” or an unidentified NHMC component to the PMF analysis. However, that lumped sum may be very different chemically at different times. So we have not added a summation of unidentified material that would not be possible to define. We will be better able to address the identity of unreported VOC in a future campaign with PTR-TOF-MS measurements anticipated for 2015. However we prefer to only use only validated specific parameters in the PMF analysis.

4. (c) Can the measurements or PMF analysis identify a crude oil or raw natural gas signature/factor? Presumably each of these hydrocarbon sources have a different chemical composition based on volatility differences. If the two sources cannot be distinguished perhaps because they are co-produced at each well site (e.g., associated oil) then this should be specified in the discussion.

<Response> 4. (c) The referee comment is right that our factor 2 is a mixed source and we have re-emphasized this in the text. PMF analysis reflects the ambient data and the BSR site is downwind of a wet gas field. Consequently, in the absence of crude oil such emissions are absent. As the text states, three factors are produced from the PMF analysis, the second of which has a signature of fugitive wet gas with a small added contribution from inferred dehydration activities. The match with wet gas signatures measured by the WOGCC is striking; additional BTEX is believed to originate from dehydration units at well pads. Figure 6 shows the weighted combined signature of these two sources.

5. Could NO_x measurements be included in the PMF analysis? It would be interesting to see if the predominate source is traffic dependent or if a signature from power generation at the well sites or processing facilities could be determined.

<Response> 5. When NO_x was included in the PMF analysis, it generated its own factor that was unrelated to other parameters. Since our focus was source apportionment of NMHC, it was therefore subsequently excluded. A brief discussion of and reference to this analysis has been included in the text but not added to the Figure.

Referee 1 other comments (by order of occurrence):

P24944 L5: Define an “ozone episode” (as done in section 3.2).

<Response> Text is now corrected, and includes “(hourly O₃ ≥85 ppbv).”

P24944 L6: What is the significance of the two sites experiencing different O₃ levels?

<Response> Text is now corrected as follows: “During 2011 wintertime O₃ episodes at two sites near Boulder Wyoming, situated ~5 km apart, were observed to sometimes differ, indicating the potential for measured O₃ at these sites to be differentially influenced by localized ozone precursor emission sources”.

P24944 L7-8: “In 2012 the lack of O₃ episodes coincided with a reduction in ambient levels of NMHC.” What else was different between 2011 and 2012? Did the emissions change? What about NO_x?

<Response> The text in this section is now modified as follows: “In 2012 levels of oxides of nitrogen and meteorological parameters were similar. The four key parameters used by regulators to predict episodic ozone; snow cover, 700 mb height, temperature and wind speed, were comparable to previous years. However in 2012 the lack of O₃ episodes coincided with a reduction in ambient levels of total non-methane hydrocarbons (NMHC)”.

P24944 L18: Define “condensate range NMHC.”

<Response> This sentence has been revised as follows to avoid unnecessary complications of definitions in the abstract: “A water treatment and recycling facility was found

to be a significant source of NMHC abundant in condensate, in particular toluene and *m+p*-xylene”.

P25945 L18: Start the discussion of winter O₃ in a new paragraph (“Until recently...” would be the start of paragraph #3 of introduction).

<Response> Corrected in the revised text.

P24946 L25: A large portion of the first paragraph in the discussion section (Section 3; P24950 L15-26) should be moved to the beginning of the methodology section in order to accurately describe the measurement site locations and proximity to oil and natural gas wells. These details are critical to the study’s methodology and do not belong in the results section.

<Response> The entire first paragraph is now re-positioned as recommended.

P24947 L1: A more detailed description of the total NMHC instrument should be included (manufacturer, analytical range, duty cycle, etc.). How well does it measure OVOCs, halogens, nitrogen containing VOCs, etc.? The analytical capabilities of this instrument should be clearly stated for ease of comparison to the more detailed description of the OPE.

<Response> A more detailed description of the total NMHC measurement is added.

P24947 L4-6 and L8-12: All references to speciated NMHC measurements should be moved to Section 2.1.

<Response> These sentences are moved to section 2.1.

P24947 L6-7: It is unclear if “similar measurements” refers to “discontinuous speciated NMHC measurements” or the full suite of “air quality” measurements.

<Response> This sentence is clarified and also moved to section 2.1

P24947 L10: There is no description of the diffusive samplers included. Is the data from these samplers not included in the analysis?

<Response> This data is not included. It will be published in a separate paper regarding diffusive sampling, that is currently being prepared. The omission is clarified.

P24950 L9: State the range of “extremely high outlier values.”

<Response> The sentence is corrected and edited to reflect the 7 outliers removed due to elevated toluene or CO values.

P24951 L4: Be more specific regarding “numerous high hourly O₃ values.” How many and what level constitutes “high O₃?”

<Response> This section is revised to reflect exceedances of the NAAQS for ozone.

P24951 L9-10: A brief discussion of why NMHCs and O₃ are higher in 2011 compare to 2012 but NO_x levels are similar should be included somewhere in this manuscript. Is it related to changes in emissions, oil and gas activities, meteorology, regulations, and/or chemistry?

<Response> We have added discussion of this important point in section 3.1 and have added data reference to additional data from WDEQ.

P24951 L16: The discussion relates to “O₃ episodes” which are arbitrarily determined to be hourly averages greater than 85 ppbv, but this is a non-standard O₃ metric. How many O₃ exceedances have there been in WY (8-hr average > 75 ppbv)?

<Response> In this paper we define an ozone episode as ≥ 85 ppbv, this value is not totally arbitrary, it is selected as a value that clearly reflects episodic production of ozone for hourly values. As such it should be above 75 ppbv but should not be so high as to exclude any days that exceeded the standard value, while including some days with production values indicative of strong wintertime production, even if limited in temporal extent. This is important as we consider and contrast diurnal variations at two sites based upon hourly values to understand behavior rather than compliance with regulatory values. However we agree that reference to standard values should be included. We have edited the text in section 3.1 to refer to the standard 8-hour average and number of exceedances in specific years.

P24951 L16: I’m not convinced that these plots indicate the importance of background, production, and transport. Perhaps the sentence should be amended to state, “These plots indicate the variability in the background levels, local production, and transport of O₃ to the different measurement sites.”

<Response> The text is edited as recommended.

P24954 L2-4: It is not clear which VOC measurements at BSR are used in the PMF analysis as it is not stated until P24955 L9. The data set used for the PMF analysis should be made clearer in this section as well as section 2.3.

<Response> The text is now revised to clarify the data that is used for the PMF analysis. The section is also edited for major comment no. 5.

P24955 L7-15: This portion of the discussion could be improved by simply stating the fact that Factor 2 dominates for methane through cyclohexane, Factor 3 dominates for the heavier VOCs heptane to o-xylene. Benzene and ethyne are the only 2 NMHCs that have a roughly equivalent contributions from all 3 factors. CO is the only species that is dominated by factor 1.

<Response> The suggested text is added and the text with L7 -15 is reduced. This text is important to set the transition between Fig. 5 and Fig. 6. In particular as factor 3 loses many species that are important constituents.

P24955 L11 and L15: Why these 14 NMHCs specifically? Why are others, e.g. nonane, excluded? This isn't answered until L16.

<Response> The explanation of presence in source profiles is now earlier in the text making the shift from Fig. 5 to Fig. 6 clearer.

P24955 L10: It isn't appropriate to identify the factors until you discuss how you determined the identities (L15-20 of same page).

<Response> Yes. The pre-identification sentences are deleted.

P24955 L14: "e.g.", changed to "e.g."

<Response> This typo is deleted through text edits noted above.

Referee 1 Figures/Tables:

Figure 1: Add markers of all sampling sites to show the locations throughout the basin.

<Response> Fig. 1 now has all additional canister sampling sites marked.

Figure 2: The left axes should be aligned vertically so that it is easier to compare the time series for O₃, NO_x, and NMHC for a specific year.

<Response> Fig. 2 has the axes re-aligned as requested.

Figure 5: Define CO-b and methane-b in the figure caption. It is not defined until P24955

<Response> The figure capture now has “-b signifies minus background”

L22 when discussing Figure 6. What does “normalized mass profiles between 14 NMHCs” mean? Why only the stated 14 NMHCs when 22 are presented?

<Response> This is a typo in Fig. 5 and is now corrected. The reason for 14 NMHC with respect to Fig. 6 is clarified.

Are you normalizing all percentages to 100% in order to avoid showing circumstances when the calculated factors may be over/under 100%?

<Response> No as this is the standard PMF output display. The problem is that an average is just that. Any given sample and parameter is a linear regression fit with a slope and intercept. Residuals are evident when considering hourly data. Low concentrations may be over-predicted while high concentrations could be under-predicted or vice versa on a sample-by-sample basis. As noted in the text the fit for the analysis is excellent. Table R1 shows below shows how the data were fit. We could calculate the average species concentration under/over-prediction, display that as a percentage bar, then normalize the fractions of the contribution relative to that if necessary. That would require an extra figure. We believe that adding additional text, tables and or figures is not needed for PMF residuals.

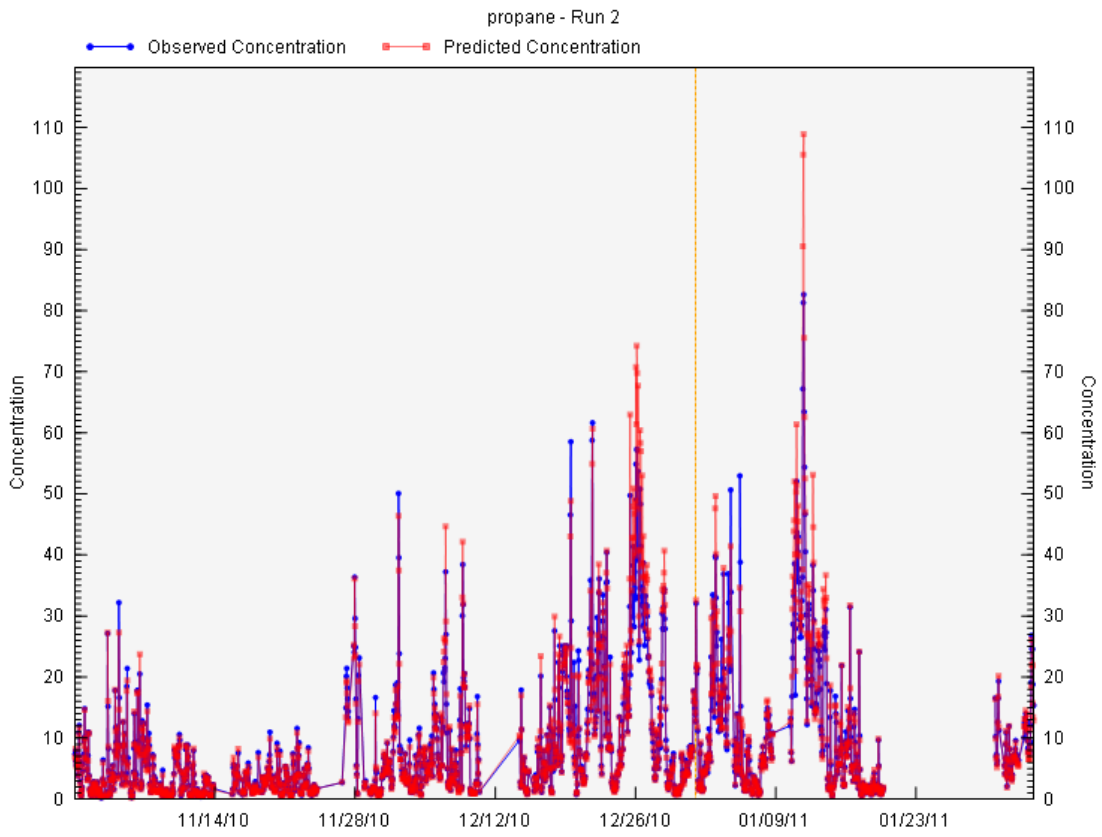
Table R1 PMF Analysis Data Fit Parameters

Species	Intercept	Slope	SE	r ²	KS Test Stat	KS Test P Value
CO_b	6.51	0.87	10.02	0.94	0.1	0
methane_b	9.59	0.92	129.69	0.94	0.07	0
NMHC	-3.45	1.02	23.42	0.96	0.05	0
ethane	0.2	0.98	4.82	0.97	0.02	0.29
ethene	0.13	0.75	0.32	0.8	0.03	0.07
propane	-0.56	1.08	1.63	0.98	0.03	0.01
i-butane	-0.1	1.05	0.39	0.98	0.08	0
n-butane	-0.15	1.07	0.38	0.98	0.04	0
ethyne	0.28	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.11	0
cyclopentane	0.01	0.91	0.03	0.93	0.18	0
i-pentane	0.03	0.97	0.24	0.97	0.07	0
n-pentane	0.05	0.93	0.22	0.96	0.07	0
2-methylpentane	0.09	0.73	0.17	0.89	0.11	0
3-methylpentane	0.06	0.73	0.11	0.88	0.12	0
n-hexane	0.13	0.72	0.26	0.88	0.08	0
benzene	0.05	0.91	0.26	0.94	0.04	0
cyclohexane	0.12	0.76	0.27	0.91	0.07	0
i-octane	0.01	0.9	0.07	0.89	0.11	0
n-heptane	0.1	0.78	0.22	0.94	0.06	0
toluene	-0.24	1.04	1.13	0.89	0.11	0
n-octane	0.08	0.76	0.21	0.93	0.05	0
ethylbenzene	-0.01	0.95	0.09	0.88	0.06	0
m+p-xylene	0.1	0.88	0.51	0.94	0.04	0
o-xylene	0.01	0.92	0.11	0.92	0.06	0
nonane	0.09	0.62	0.27	0.81	0.17	0

Why not show the residuals to give an idea of how well the PMF analysis represents the actual measurements?

<Response> The success of the 3-factor solution is already indicated in the text with the R² values, and this is reflective of relatively low residuals. Our current figure selections are not amenable to residual plots. Adding residual information in the body of the manuscript would not add to the current direction of the paper. Furthermore each compound has its own residual for a given hour. So we would need to show all 25 plots of model and actual time series. An example is given for propane in Figure R2, these plots could be added in supplementary material but we do not feel that this is necessary

Figure R2 Fit of observed vs predicted (PMF) mixing ratios for propane



Referee 2 provided excellent feedback that we have addressed in the responses given below. Their suggestions have helped to improve the clarity of our manuscript.

Referee 2 major comments:

1. Most readers are probably not that familiar with the operation of a water treatment and recycling facility. I assume that this facility was exclusively used for well oil and gas drilling flowback water treatment? It would be helpful to provide some more information on the technical operation and operational scale of this facility.

<Response> 1. This is a dedicated facility for treating produced water including drilling and flow-back waste materials. We have added more information on the facility in section 3.5 including description of the key process step and also note operational volumes.

2. It would be valuable to discuss differences in atmospheric data and observed ozone in 2011 to 2012 a bit more in depth in respect to differences in meteorological and snow cover conditions between both years.

<Response> 2. Additional discussion is now given to meteorological differences between the two years of measurements at BSR in section 3.1, with additional supporting data from elsewhere (i.e. UGWOS reports, in particular MSI 2014). We add information regarding meteorology in 2012 compared to 2011.

3. The PMF analysis exclusively attributed NMHC observations to potential emission sources. Atmospheric NMHC are likely also determined by chemistry and meteorological (including mixed layer depth and transport direction). I am wondering if and how omission of these influences effects the robustness of the PMF results.

<Response> 3. Receptor models like PMF implicitly assume there are no changes that result from atmospheric transformation between emissions and receptor. Any atmospheric chemistry that oxidizes VOCs in the atmosphere will bias the receptor “profile” results from the true emissions profiles. In very cold conditions, these changes should be relatively small. However, the profiles generated will underestimate the ratios of more reactive species that are oxidized more quickly in the atmosphere. Figure 6 shows strong similarity between identified factors and source profiles.

Meteorology should not affect the relative ratios of the emissions profiles. The receptor will either “see” or not see the emissions source. So the temporal variability that results from local meteorology, wind speeds, directions, and mixing heights will simply aid the model in finding a robust solution. The only exception would be that the receptor model may not “see” emissions that originate from directions where the wind does not come from frequently enough to identify them.

Referee 2 other comments (by order of occurrence):

24945/8: Please clarify if this statement relates to proven oil reservoirs within the US or worldwide.

<Response> Clarified as this comment is for US proven reserves.

24946/19: NMHC have already been defined in line 16.

<Response> This error is corrected.

24947/2: . . .CH₄), and carbon . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24947/9: Provide technical specs of canisters used.

<Response> Details of the canisters are now included in this section.

24947/18 – 24948/8: Provide mole fraction range of NMHC calibration standards used and if the calibration range covered the span of observed mole fractions in field samples. If not, then an explanation should be provided how higher mole fraction field samples were treated. Also, please provide an uncertainty estimate for the NMHC data and a detection limit estimate.

<Response> As noted by the reviewer finding the appropriate balance between manuscript and supplementary material is difficult, in particular when a variety of analysis methods and data are included. We have added the requested information regarding our calibration approach. Our routine calibration curve approach has been to adjust trapping time and we note this in the text. Our routine curves contain 95% of our measurement range. Of course our measurement range was unknown to us prior to the study. At the end of each winter period we

perform a calibration curve that extends beyond our maximum observed value. Through this approach we have been able to define our upper limit that was not exceeded for reported data. Some of our "source canister measurements" required 1-minute trapping to ensure that the upper limit of detection was not exceeded for ethane. Measurement uncertainty estimates are given in Table S1.

24948/15: From this explanation it seems that the chromatography data were processed by automated routines, both for peak identification and integration results? How are these procedures quality controlled?

<Response> Our QA/QC procedures were originally developed for the UK national hydrocarbon network. These are described in detail in a recent 20-year review paper that is now referenced. The procedures follow a systematic approach that considers retention time and peak width behavior that ensures that peaks are correctly identified and also without co-elution or peak merging issues.

24950/6: How is the noise level (N) determined?

<Response> Noise is based on the uncertainty in the species measurements input into the receptor model. So the noise is a function of the analytical detection limit and the precision of the measurements.

24951/16: I don't quite see how Figure 3 obviously shows this.

<Response> We have changed the language associated with Figure 3 as the figure does not show background, production and transport.

24952/10: The 'Thermo55i' instrument is not clearly defined in the methods section.

<Response> Extra detail describing this instrument is now added.

24952/9-28: This paper, and this section in particular, builds a lot on material that is not shown in the manuscript itself, but in the Supplemental Materials section. This is a development that can be found more and more in recent publications, likely in the effort to keep manuscripts short and for saving publication cost. I am not a fan of this publishing at all, mildly spoken. I think that

text of the manuscript should not discuss graphs, tables, etc ‘hidden’ in the Supplement section. Those should be provided with the main body of the paper, so that the reader does not have to flip back and forth between two documents for following the discussion. In my opinion, the manuscript should be a standalone document, with the Supplemental Materials Section providing no more than supporting information that goes beyond the primary discussion of the paper.

<Response> As noted earlier maintaining flow while avoiding cluttering a manuscript is a challenge. In this case the text, without Fig S6, should enable an understanding of the difference between total NMHC and summed speciated NMHC. If the reader wants more detail they can choose to look at the supplementary Figure S6. We carefully considered each and every figure and table. Our aim is to provide tables and figures in the supplementary material that provide additional information that is not essential to follow the presented analyses, but is instead potentially really useful for the reader who seeks more detail and background. While we understand, and to some extent concur with the referee regarding the problems with shorter papers with supplemental materials, we feel that we have achieved an acceptable balance with the key figures and tables in the manuscript.

24952/17: From the text alone it is not clear what variable is fitted against what? <Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript and the variables are noted.

24953/2: . . .small, however, suggesting . . .

<Response> This sentence is edited in the manuscript.

24953/25: This is surprising, but potentially a very important point that should, if at all possible, be investigated in more depth.

<Response> This point has been reviewed and considered in more depth. Figure S7 clearly shows some hours with elevated O₃ when reported NO_x values are relatively low. Thus this figure shows greater scatter for the high O₃ bin at BLDR compared to BSR, in particular for low NO_x values. Inspection of the data shows that these points are for hours between 16:00 and 20:00, when actinic flux values are low, and do not coincide with hours when ozone production rates are highest. A careful review of the hour to hour changes of pollutant values shows that NO_x values at BLDR are more variable compared to total NMHC, and to NO_x and total NMHC

values at BSR. We do not currently offer an explanation for this greater variability of NO_x at BLDR as numerous poorly characterized relevant factors may be at work (e.g. source variability; removal by titration; measurement uncertainties). Furthermore since this scatter does not refute the importance of high total NMHC values, we prefer to simply note the possible difference in behavior at the two sites. Figure S7 is therefore supplementary to our main focus, which is the speciated NMHC data and its impact at BSR.

24954/12: . . .bootstrapping, and the . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24955/8: . . . contribution . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24955/11: . . .However, for . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24955/14: Factor 3 weighing declines . . .NMHC, e.g. nonane, . . .

<Response> This sentence is now edited in the manuscript.

24955/24: However, the . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24956/29: However, factor . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24957/4: . . .ethane, propane, . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24957/7: . . .ethylbenzene, and . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24957/9: . . .n-heptane, and . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24957/10 . . .contribution from . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24958/13: However, the . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24958/18: Round mole fraction results to full ppbv. One might also want to consider to compare these BTEX values with health exposure thresholds.

<Response> These values are now rounded. Given the high values measured near the facility we did consider health exposure thresholds. However as we were measuring ambient air and that the values inside the facility were likely to be considerably higher we feel that such comparisons could be misleading. While it is clear that exposure is important we feel that aspect is outside of the scope of this paper in the context of the presented analysis.

24958/19-29: These calculation and arguments are hard to follow. What is the surface scale of the inventory emission rate? How do you get an emission intensity of 250 t mile⁻² and what does this mean? What is the time scale there?

<Response> We have edited this section that should now be easier to follow. As noted the inventory is calculated annually hence values are per year. To compare the facility with the rest of the development the emissions are scaled to a mile². As such the facility has an emission rate of 250 times that for the rest of the development as a whole.

24958/26: . . .these data suggest that . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24959/24: Meteorology should probably also be mentioned as an important influence.

<Response> Yes, we have edited this sentence accordingly.

24959/26: Suggest rounding values to no more than 3 significant figures.

<Response> These values are now set to 3 significant figures.

24960/2: Suggest rounding values to no more than 3 significant figures.

<Response> These values are now set to 3 significant figures.

24960/15: . . .data identify . . .

<Response> This sentence is edited in the manuscript.

24960/15: The data don't really 'estimate'. I suppose that 'one could estimate from the data' . . .

<Response> Yes this sentence is edited accordingly.

24961/25: ..., for 5 and 15 March 2011, and ...

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24962/3: . . .for ~2%, and . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24962/8: . . .flux, so would . . .per

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24962/14: . . .reactivity, and that . . .

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24963/1-3: I suggest rewording this section, stating that the observations of coinciding high NMHC and elevated ozone conditions suggest that these NMHC play a role in ozone production.

<Response> This sentence is now modified in the manuscript.

24963/27: I suggest replacing the term 'reduction', as it kind of might be understood as if levels were lower due to some measures of emission control. I think it would be better to state that 'ambient levels were lower'.

<Response> This sentence is now modified as suggested in the manuscript.

Referee 2 Figures/Tables:

24974: . . .NO_x, and NMHC

<Response> This error is now corrected in the manuscript.

24976: This graph shows a cluster of data with high NMHC and high NO_x, but remarkably low ozone (pink diamonds). What were the conditions that suppressed ozone production on these days?

<Response> Figure 4 includes all available O₃ hourly average data points between 11:00 and 20:00 mst for every day during the period January 1 – March 31, 2011. Many of the data points, in particular those at times that are several hours after local noon, or during January when insolation is lower, therefore correspond to hours of the day when actinic flux levels are insufficiently high to promote significant O₃ formation, even under clear sky conditions. O₃ mixing ratios for these points are always therefore low, even when O₃ precursor mixing ratios are high. They result in the noticeable cluster of purple diamonds at high NO_x mixing ratios in the figure. Winter ozone production in the Upper Green River Basin, in contrast to the Uintah Basin located to the south, has not been observed during the month of January.

24977: What does the ‘b’ stand for in ‘CO-b’ and ‘methane-b’. Name the factors in figure caption.

<Response> Minus background (-b) is now properly noted in the figure caption.

Figure 7 and 8: Inconsistent use of capital letters for compounds names.

<Response> This compound names are now consistent in labels and keys.

Figure 9: Mention in figure caption that circle size scales with relative mole fractions of ppbC? ‘Mass’ is probably not the correct term to use here?

<Response> The caption has the requested notation that relates to the sum of compounds from given classes as μg converted from ppbv mixing ratios.