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Interactive Comment

Interactive comment on "Nadir measurements of the Earth's atmosphere with the ACE FTS: first results" by W. F. J. Evans et al.

Anonymous Referee #1

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This paper discusses observations of nadir viewed raidance using the ACE (solar occultation) instrument. While in general the paper is well written I do not believe it should be published in ACP. Basically, this paper describes an instrument capability, not any new science. The paper speculates on the potential of possible science objectives such as radiative forcing but does not demonstrate how the observed radiances could address this subject.

Since the calibration of the instrument needed to obtain the radiances looks interesting I would recommend publication in more relevant journal such as applied optics.

Specific comments:

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tent (think of the limit of zero spectral resolution).

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