TCCON Data Use Policy and License

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The paper by Labzovskii et al examining the consistency of growth rates of CO_2 amongst different measurement datasets and models makes extensive use of data from the Total Carbon Column Observing Network (TCCON) as one of those measurement datasets. As noted by Anonymous Referee #1 (https://editor.copernicus.org/index.php/acp-2020-114-RC1.pdf?_mdl=msover_md&_jrl=10&_lcm=oc108lcm109w&_acm=get_comm_file&_ms=83680&c=177729&salt=1191195750866577302), the TC-
5 CON Data Use Policy requires that TCCON PIs whose data are used are contacted prior to submission of a manuscript. We note that since the oversight on this specific manuscript, we have been working with the authors to rectify the situation.

The TCCON partners would like to take this opportunity to remind data users of our Data Use Policy and License, and the importance of following similar protocols for other datasets. The important points are:

1. TCCON PIs must be contacted prior to publication or presentation. The contact details of the PIs are in the data file
10   headers. Alternatively, an online form will soon be available, or requests can be emailed to tccon.ftir@gmail.com

2. Co-authorship may be requested, depending on the role of TCCON data and intellectual contribution.

3. TCCON datasets are assigned a digital object identifier (DOI). This must be cited along with any additional appropriate references.

The current Data Use Policy is available at https://tccon-wiki.caltech.edu/Network_Policy/Data_Use_Policy. Importantly,
15 both this and the TCCON Data Archive (www.tccondata.org) refer users to the License in order to understand citation and data use requirements. The License is available as a plain text file with each TCCON data download. An example is included here for the entire TCCON dataset (all sites).

We are currently working to revise the TCCON Data Use Policy and License to make it clearer for data users; however, the general policy will remain unchanged.

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