Interactive comment on "Upscaled diurnal cycles of land-atmosphere fluxes: a new global half-hourly data product" *by* Paul Bodesheim et al.

Anonymous Referee #1

Potentially a very high quality and very useful data set, good product for ESSD.

Three barriers to overcome / improve:

1) Data access requires registration and notification. Not acceptable for an open access data journal.

2) Very confusing use of the term 'diurnal'. Needs a systematic re-assessment and revision of terminology.

3) Possible data file error. If due to an ingest or plotting error by this reviewer, authors need to verify original file and contents. If confirmed, authors will need to implement a thorough check and validation across all source files. Manuscript not acceptable without one or the other outcome.

Detailed comments in supplement.

Please also note the supplement to this comment:
https://www.earth-syst-sci-data-discuss.net/essd-2017-130/essd-2017-130-RC1-supplement.pdf