This is a good manuscript that should be published. It is well written and well organized. I have a few suggestions.

Are the times given standard time or daylight time? During summer most countries advance the clock 1 hour. According to the longitudes noted standard time should be 8 hours in advance of GMT for 120 degrees east. This is important for sun time and for anthropogenic influences that are generally a function of local time. In the time plots are the hash marks with date at the beginning of each day (00:00) or are they at the middle of each day (12:00)?

Reveal how many data points are in each of the correlation plots such as Fig. 2b, c and d.

Fig. 3 the abscissa should have equal intervals. E is not designated.

Fig. 5 is not cited in the text.

- P1. L36. Delete (cloud condensation nuclei). Already defined it in L31.
- P2. L10. Insert these after of.
  - L11. Delete events.
  - L21-22. Delete to some extent.
- P3. L32. Remove ing. disappear.
- P4. L4. Add ing to play.
- L14. Delete was prepared for. Change ments to d. change between to from. Change and to to. Change comma to period. Change with to Thus it had.
  - L20. Delete used for. Change tion to ted. Insert here after evaluated.
- P5. L1. J should be the same J as in L2. It is different.
  - L16. Delete last the.
- L17. Delete period from. Change to -. Insert good agreement after not. Change and to or.
  - L18-19. Define mean fractional bias and mean fractional error.
- L20-21. Move US EPA in front of benchmarks. Explain what such a benchmark is and why it is relevant to this research.
  - L24. Insert not after are. Delete to be.
  - L25. Change try to tried. Change and to to. Delete poor.
- L26. Change The to those. Insert However, before those. Change for to to. Change thereby to therefore.
- P6. L4. Delete 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> the.
  - L25. Delete with the events being most frequently.
  - L26. Delete observed on. Delete 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> July. Delete occurrence.
  - L28. Delete meteorological.
  - L30. This needs further explanation.
- P7. L2. Change as no to because. Insert not after were.
  - L5. Delete respectively. Nighttime should include two dates.
  - L6. But there was no data for most of July 5.
  - L9. Delete The.
  - L23. Delete the.
  - L25. Add s to present.
  - L35. What date?
- P8. L13. Delete values.
  - L26. Explain respectively.
  - L38. Add s to show.

P9. L20. Insert greater after even.
P10. L11. Change ing to ed.
L29. Probably because of the lack of data on that date.
P11. L21. Delete 1<sup>st</sup> the.

L22. Delete 1<sup>st</sup> the.