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Interactive comment on "Millennial temperature reconstruction intercomparison and evaluation" by M. N. Juckes et al.

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CORRECTION:

On page 19, line 6, the manuscript states: "The code used by MM2005 is not, at the time of writing, available": This comment should have referred to the code used by MM2005c (their Energy and Environment paper) – the code used by MM2005 (their GRL paper) was made available at time of publication.

In view of these considerations the following modification to the text is needed: on page 19, line 6-9: replace "The code (standardised)" with: "The code used by MM2005c (available at http://www.climate2003.com/scripts/) shows that they use PCs which have been (except in figure 2) centred but not normalised to unit variance (standardised). Figure 2 of MM2005c is an exception: it shows a graph with non-zero mean which

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cannot be the principal component of centred data."

We apologise to McIntyre and McKitrick for suggesting that the code for MM2005 was unavailable when it was in fact the code for MM2005c which we had not been able to obtain, and note that they have made efforts to provide code for this and other publications which go beyond the norm in this field.

The code used by MM2005c is now (mostly since March 2006, updated October 2006 following correspondence about missing components) available at http://www.climate2003.com/scripts/ (McIntyre, personal communication), as stated in our corrected text above. At the present time this page is not linked to from the main site (www.climate2003.com), which contains the statement that "The computer script used to generate the figures and statistics in the E&E here will be located here [in a couple of days]" Our intended comment (that the code used by MM2005c was not available) was based on the above statement and on an email from Stephen McIntyre to us saying that he would forward the code when it became available. He first informed us of its availability after the publication of our manuscript.

A detailed discussion of the provided code can be found on the MITRIE project website (http://mitrie.badc.rl.ac.uk), in addition to some comments on the issue of disclosing software.

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