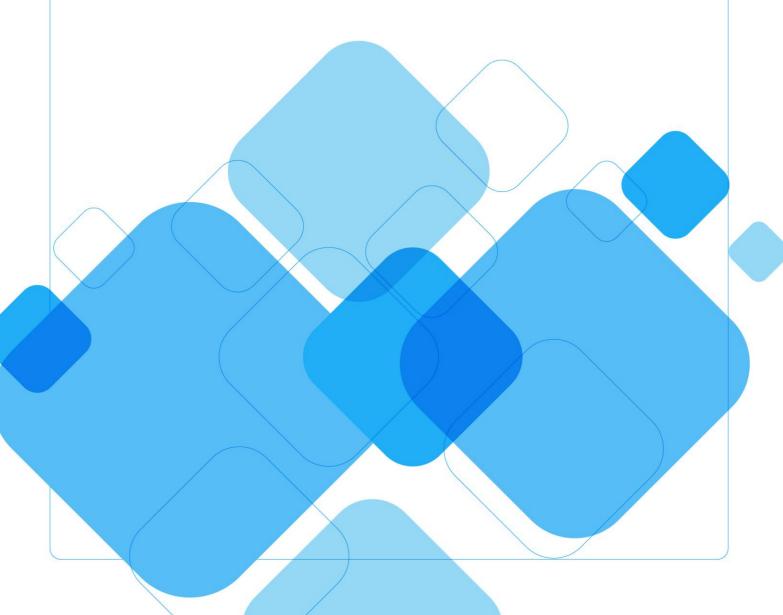


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#### **POINT-BY-POINT REPLIES**

#### Rebuttal Letter

The following comments will be addressed based on the rebuttal given and will be submitted to an alternate journal.

Comment 1 Figure 3 has a label of iterative design process but that iterative loop

is not visible in the figure

Action Taken Since figure 3 has a linear flow without any iteration, the name of

the figure has been changed to process flow to fit as per the figure

design. Please refer Page 3, Line number 331 and Figure 3.

Comment 2 The statement "Climate consultant uses the ASHRAE standard 55

2010 graphical model (ASHRAE STD 55, 2010) to define its comfort zone" in section 1.3.1 Page 10, seems to be technically inaccurate and incomplete. The climate consultant 6.0 considers four different models for thermal comfort. Adaptive Comfort Model

in ASHRAE standard 55-2010 is only one of them.

Action Taken As per the examiner comments, now, the statement has been

modified according to the ASHRAE STD 55-2010, Climate Consultant 6.0. Now the statement read as "The climate consultant 6.0 considers four different models for thermal comfort while adaptive comfort model has been used.." Please refer Page 8, Line number

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Comment 3 The statement "These comfort percentages of satisfied people

indicate that the computer tools are inaccurate in predicting the actual comfort potential of composite climates in India. From Fig 6, it is clear that the existing climate analysis tools fail to accurately predict the comfort and passive design potential for Indian conditions" in section 1.3.1 Page 10, could be framed differently, as it can be observed that it is not the failure of the tools themselves, rather it is the failure of the thermal comfort indices that are used to assess thermal comfort by the tools. For this reason, different comfort indices are developed for their applicability in specific

Climatic zones.

Action Taken The text has been altered completely. More elaboration has been

added