**Interactive comment on** “A comparison of water uptake by aerosols using two thermodynamic models” by L. Xu et al.

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However, we wonder about the fact that these interactive comments have been published just one day before, and this one even after the deadline. To foster scientific discussion, which we highly support, an earlier response would have been more appropriate in order to allow other interested scientists to reply in time with their comments.

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