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Dear Editor:

We are submitting an article entitled "A Latent Heat Retrieval and its Effects on the Intensity and Structure Change of Hurricane Guillermo (1997). Part I: The Algorithm and Observations" to the *Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences*. This is part 1 of a two-part study. The manuscript is currently ~ 31 pages (abstract through acknowledgements). We would like to request an extension to the standard 26-page limit. The algorithm presented in the manuscript has extensive additions from previous work, which requires a bit more space to convince the reader of its merit.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

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