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Section A: Paper Submission Information

Paper/Abstract ID	0202
Paper title	Energy Balance Closure Analysis Based on Eddy Covariance Flux Tower Observations
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The manuscript presents a novel analysis of the persistent energy balance closure gap using real-world eddy covariance flux tower data. It offers new insights through site-specific observations and methodological approaches that can improve land-atmosphere modeling

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