## **Description of Additional Supplementary Files**

File Name: Supplementary Movie 1

Description: Sample movie of  $P_{bolA}$ -GFP plasmid reporter in WT cells growing in the Mother Machine. Pulses of  $P_{bolA}$ -GFP coupled to slow growth rate can be observed. Phase contrast (grey) and fluorescence channel (green) ranges chosen for display. The time between frames in this movie is 10 minutes.

File Name: Supplementary Movie 2

Description: Sample movie of micro-colony grown from a single cell illustrating RpoS and growth pulsing.  $P_{bolA}$ -GFP plasmid reporter in WT growing on agarose pads containing M9 media. Phase contrast (grey) and fluorescence channel (green) ranges chosen for display. The time between frames in this movie is 10 minutes.

File Name: Supplementary Movie 3

Description: Sample movie of cells in an alternative microfluidic device, the CellASIC, illustrating RpoS and growth pulsing.  $P_{bolA}$ -GFP plasmid reporter in WT cells (BW25113). Phase contrast (grey) and fluorescence channel (green) ranges chosen for display. The time between frames in this movie is 10 minutes.

File Name: Supplementary Movie 4

Description: Sample movie of  $P_{blc}$ -GFP plasmid reporter in WT cells growing in the Mother Machine. Pulses of  $P_{blc}$ -GFP coupled to slow growth rate can be observed. Phase contrast (grey) and fluorescence channel (green) ranges chosen for display. The time between frames in this movie is 10 minutes.

File Name: Supplementary Movie 5

Description: Sample movie of  $P_{poxB}$ -GFP plasmid reporter in WT cells growing in the Mother Machine. Pulses of  $P_{poxB}$ -GFP coupled to slow growth rate can be observed. Phase contrast (grey) and fluorescence channel (green) ranges chosen for display. The time between frames in this movie is 10 minutes.