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**Dear Editor,**

We would greatly appreciate if you would consider the following paper for publication in *Fluid Phase Equilibria*. The results presented in this study were submitted to the 10th Industrial Fluid Properties Simulation Challenge. The manuscript is, therefore, intended for the *Special Issue of Fluid Phase Equilibria 10th IFPSC*. We are willing to make any changes that may be required to make the manuscript publishable in *Fluid Phase Equilibria*.

We apologize that this manuscript is being submitted after the March 1st deadline for the *Special Issue*. The email that contained this deadline was never received by the lead author, Richard Messerly, due to the federal government shutdown. Fortunately, we were notified on March 13th by the organizers of the 10th Challenge that submission to the *Special Issue* was still open.

**Sincerely,**

**Richard Messerly**