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Carbon dioxide (CO_2) concentrations and emission in the newly constructed Belo Monte hydropower complex in the Xingu River, Amazonia

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13 **1. Sampling details**

14 Based on visualization in Google Earth we estimated that the maximum 15 distance drifted may be approximately 1 km for measurements in the river 16 channel up and downstream of the reservoirs. In sheltered areas located in 17 bays and over islands with standing trees, where the water flow was very low, 18 drifting was very short and caused by wind. An estimate of the drifting distance 19 in the natural river channel and in the main channel of the Xingu Reservoir was 20 obtained by using the average water velocity measured by the National Water 21 Agency of Brazil at the Altamira station. We separated the historical values into 22 before and after 2016 when the dams was completed. Therefore, representing 23 estimates of water velocity in the natural river (between 2005 and 2016), and in 24 the Xingu Reservoir main channel (after 2016). The average water velocities at Altamira are 0.74 and 0.24 m s⁻¹ for before and after the dam, respectively. 25 26 Assuming that there is no resistance of the boat with the water or air, drifting 27 speed is similar to the water velocity. The total time of deployment was up to 30 28 minutes for the three consecutive measurements. Based on these we found that 29 in the main channel of the Xingu Reservoir the drifting distance would be 432 m, 30 and 1,332 m for the natural river channel up and downstream the reservoirs.

31 **2. Depth profiles**

32 During high water of 2016 and 2017, we registered depth profiles for physicalchemical variables through the whole sampling area. We measured water 33 34 column pH, depth, dissolved oxygen (DO), conductivity, and temperature using 35 a multiparameter probe (EXO2®, YSI). The depth profiles were registered until 36 near bottom depth (approximately 80 % of total depth) to avoid sediment 37 interaction. Sites were grouped according to the location in unaffected sections 38 of the river channel, Xingu reservoir, and Intermediate reservoir. Measurements along the water column were done at 1 m interval. Total depths are listed in 39 40 table 1 and summarized depth profiles of whole physiochemical variables on 41 table 4 of the manuscript. Depth profiles of dissolved oxygen and water temperature are presented by year below in Fig. S1. 42

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(a)



Fig.S1: Depth profiles of dissolved oxygen (DO) and water temperature to unaffected river channel (a) and Xingu reservoir (b) during high water season of 2016. In the same season on 2017 unaffected river channel (c), Xingu reservoir (d) and Intermediate reservoir (e) are presented.

58 **3.** *k*₆₀₀ correlation scatterplots



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Fig. S2: Scatterplots between FCO_2 (A) and k_{600} (B) as a function of wind speed. Values from figure 5 (A) include high and low water seasons. Figure 5 (B) comprises only high water values for statistical correlation (Spearman correlation). Rho values are located on each image left superior side.