1) title: Feedbacks in Boreal and Arctic Climate Systems in Siberia

2) short outline:

Observations of the carbon cycle are now becoming available for boreal and arctic sites in Siberia. There are indications that Siberian ecosystems play an important role in the global carbon balance. The changes in climate are expected to be largest in the northern parts of the globe. This makes the carbon balance or these regions vurnerable. Feedbacks between the carbon cycle and energy and water cycles may cause non-linear responses as well as acceleration or decelleration of the initial response. This proposal aims to use the collected observations of the carbon cycle in a dynamic vegetation model, coupled to a regional atmospheric model to study which feedbacks are expected to be dominant. The objective is to constrain the stability of carbon pools in Siberia in a changing climate.

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5) sites that initially would be involved

in general all available Russian and Siberian sites would be involved, i.e. including these sites:

Cherskii tundra-floodplain

Yakutsk Larch forest

Yakutsk Pine forest (Japanese site)

Chokurdakh tundra

Zotino Pine forest

Zotino bog

Hakasia steppe sites

Tver wet Spruce forest

Tver dry Spruce forest

6) rules applied for co-authorship

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