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Response: We thank the reminder of editor very much and we are sorry for the

confusion. On the one hand, the effective radius is an important parameter indicating particle size distribution, and have been widely considered in the remote sensing of aerosols (Veselovskii et al., 2002; Di Girolamo et al., 2022). On the other hand, the refractive index and geometric standard deviation of the six aerosol types are used in establishing our look-up table, which is consistent with the aerosol classification used in the operational algorithm of CALIOP (Winker et al., 2009). r_0 is the median radius of aerosol size distribution in Eq.13, while the geometric mean particle size is not concerned in our manuscript. We have added the references in Line 140, and modified the effective radius from \bar{r} to r_e in manuscript accordingly.

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