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I declare, I confirm, I certify and I sign that I received substantial, important, line by line peer review with several and substantial comments, important remarks and hints from, at least, 3 Reviewers and the Assistant Editor for my paper "Limit states of structures and global sensitivity analysis based on Cramér-von Mises distance" with one Author: Zdeněk Kala.

I would like to thank all the reviewers and for the editor's comments concerning my manuscript. I revised the manuscript with attention to the comments that I received from 3 reviewers. These comments are all very valuable and helpful for revising and improving my paper as well as the important guiding of significance to my studies. I have read comments carefully and have made corresponding corrections. My responses are marked in yellow (for the first reviewer), in green (for the second reviewer), in cyan (for third reviewer). Thanks again to the 3 reviewers who are experts, specialists in the area of my paper.

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Thank you very much for the time spent in considering my article for publication in the International Journal of Mechanics.

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