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Dear Editor

Thank you for considering this paper further. We have made the requested changes and resubmitted the paper.

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BPSY-D-18-00433R3
Dear Dr. Robinson,

Your manuscript "Reduced mentalizing in patients with bulimia nervosa and features of borderline personality disorder: A case-control study" (BPSY-D-18-00433R3) has been assessed by our reviewers. Based on these reports, and my own assessment as Editor, I am pleased to inform you that it is potentially acceptable for publication in BMC Psychiatry, once you have carried out some essential revisions.

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Finally, a reference has been updated as it has now been published (Robinson et al 2009)

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Yours sincerely

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