

Binuclear Manganese and Rhenium Carbonyls $M_2(CO)_n$ ($n = 10, 9, 8, 7$): Comparison of First Row and Third Row Transition Metal Carbonyl Structures

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Supporting Information

Figures S1 to S7 and Tables S1 to S13: Optimized structures, total energies, relative energies, imaginary vibrational frequencies, and $\nu(CO)$ frequencies for $Re_2(CO)_{10}$ (3 isomers), $Re_2(CO)_9$ (8 isomers), $Re_2(CO)_8$ (17 isomers) and $Re_2(CO)_7$ (10 isomers)

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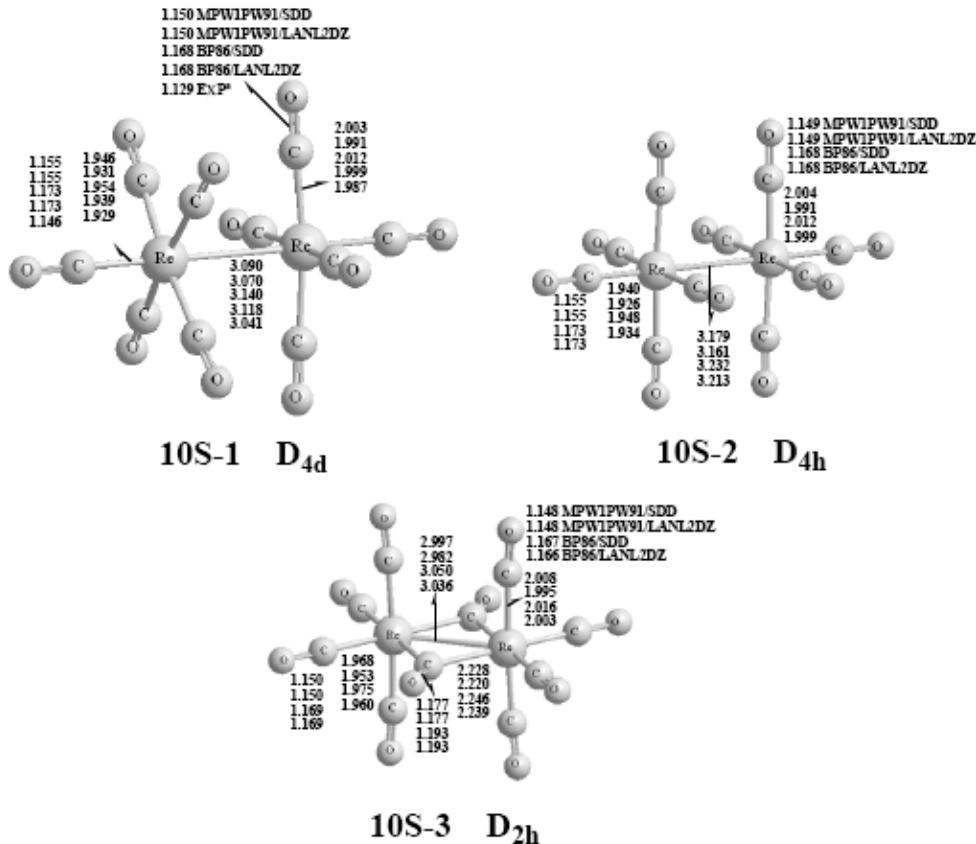


Figure S1. The optimized structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$.

Table S1. The total energies (E, in Hartree) and relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol) of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$. The number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) and the Re-Re bond distance for each structure are also listed.

| | | 10S-1 (D_{4d}) | 10S-2 (D_{4h}) | 10S-3 (D_{2h}) |
|----------------------|------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| MPW1PW91/ SDD | E | -1290.21336 | -1290.20633 | -1290.16672 |
| | ΔE | 0 | 4.4 | 29.3 |
| | Nimg | 0 | 1(18i) | 1(150i) |
| | Re-Re | 3.090 | 3.179 | 2.997 |
| BP86/ SDD | E | -1290.76883 | -1290.76301 | -1290.72988 |
| | ΔE | 0 | 3.7 | 24.4 |
| | Nimg | 0 | 1(14i) | 1(134i) |
| | Re-Re | 3.140 | 3.232 | 3.050 |
| MPW1PW91/ LANL2DZ | E | -1291.77740 | -1291.77025 | -1291.72953 |
| | ΔE | 0 | 4.5 | 30 |
| | Nimg | 0 | 1(20i) | 1(158i) |
| | Re-Re | 3.070 | 3.161 | 2.982 |
| BP86/ LANL2DZ | E | -1292.27936 | -1292.27328 | -1292.23903 |
| | ΔE | 0 | 3.8 | 25.3 |
| | Nimg | 0 | 1(16i) | 1(144i) |
| | Re-Re | 3.118 | 3.213 | 3.036 |

Table S2. The active infrared $\nu(\text{CO})$ vibrational frequencies (cm^{-1}) predicted for $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_{10}$ (infrared intensities in parentheses are in km/mol , bridging $\nu(\text{CO})$ frequencies are in **bold**).

| | MPW1PW91/ SDD | MPW1PW91/ LANL2DZ | BP86/ SDD | BP86/ LANL2DZ |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| 10S-1(D_{4d}) | 2089(1630), 2124(2950), 2172(1078) | 2095(1575), 2127(2925), 2176(1092) | 1974(1368), 2002(2484), 2052(934) | 1981(1305), 2006(2458), 2056(955) |
| 10S-2(D_{4h}) | 2089(1475), 2128(2902), 2173(1327) | 2095(1412), 2131(2873), 2177(1351) | 1975(1241), 2006(2434), 2053(1128) | 1982(1170), 2009(2403), 2057(1158) |
| 10S-3(D_{2h}) | 1883(1099), 2123(1067), 2123(2046), 2130(3008), 2175(1736) | 1889(1115), 2127(1044), 2129(2007), 2134(2965), 2179(1735) | 1800(839), 1999(762), 2001(1721), 2005(2533), 2048(1721) | 1805(854), 2004(734), 2007(1683), 2009(2492), 2053(1716) |

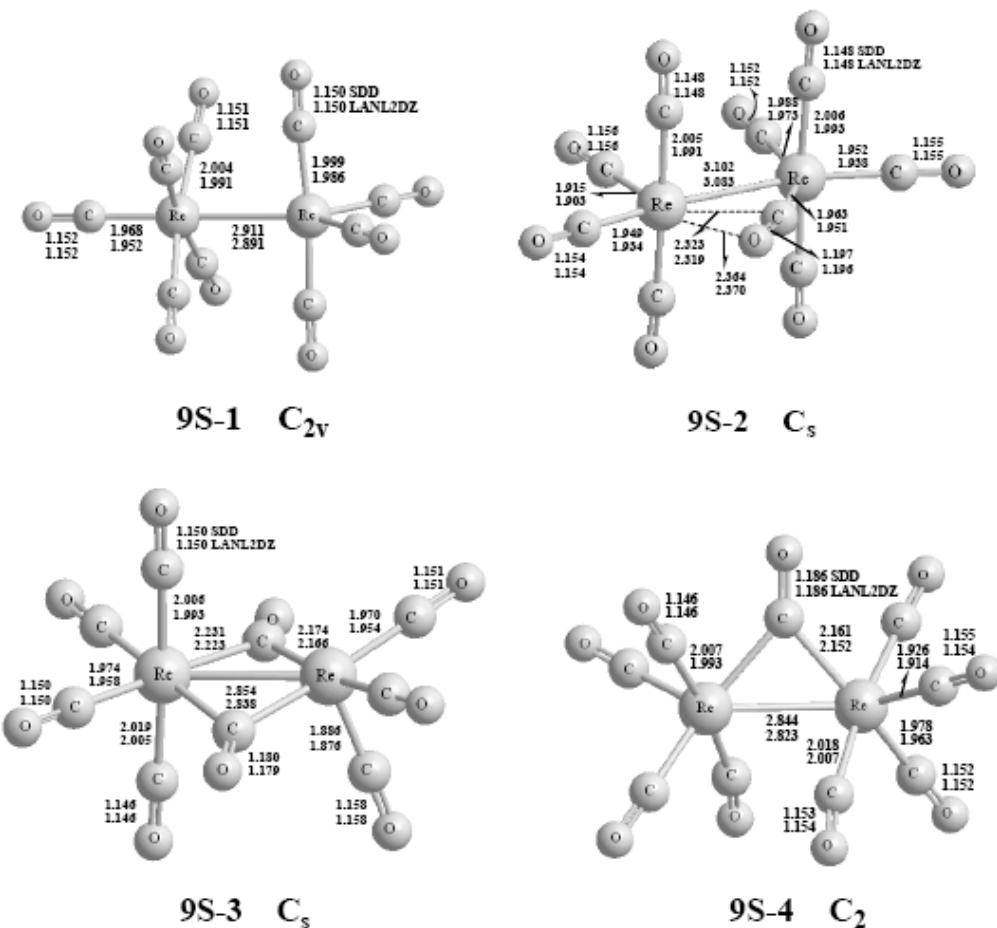


Figure S2. The optimized singlet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_9$ by MPW1PW91 method.

Table S3. The total energies (E, in Hartree) and relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol) of singlet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_9$. The number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) and the Re-Re bond distance for each structure are also listed.

| | | 9S-1 (C_{2v}) | 9S-2 (C_s) | 9S-3 (C_s) | 9S-4 (C_2) |
|----------------------|------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| MPW1PW91/ SDD | E | -1176.84455 | -1176.84420 | -1176.80326 | -1176.79807 |
| | ΔE | 0 | 0.2 | 25.9 | 29.2 |
| | Nimg | 0 | 0 | 1(117i) | 1(100i) |
| | Re-Re | 2.911 | 3.102 | 2.854 | 2.844 |
| MPW1PW91/ LANL2DZ | E | -1178.40789 | -1178.40675 | -1178.36509 | -1178.35932 |
| | ΔE | 0 | 0.7 | 26.9 | 30.5 |
| | Nimg | 0 | 0 | 1(125i) | 2(115i,9i) |
| | Re-Re | 2.891 | 3.083 | 2.838 | 2.823 |
| BP86/SDD | E | -1177.36824 | -1177.36957 | -1177.33418 | -1177.33060 |
| | ΔE | 0 | 0.8 | 21.4 | 23.6 |
| | Nimg | 0 | 0 | 1(136i) | 2(89i,12i) |
| | Re-Re | 2.939 | 3.144 | 2.881 | 2.882 |

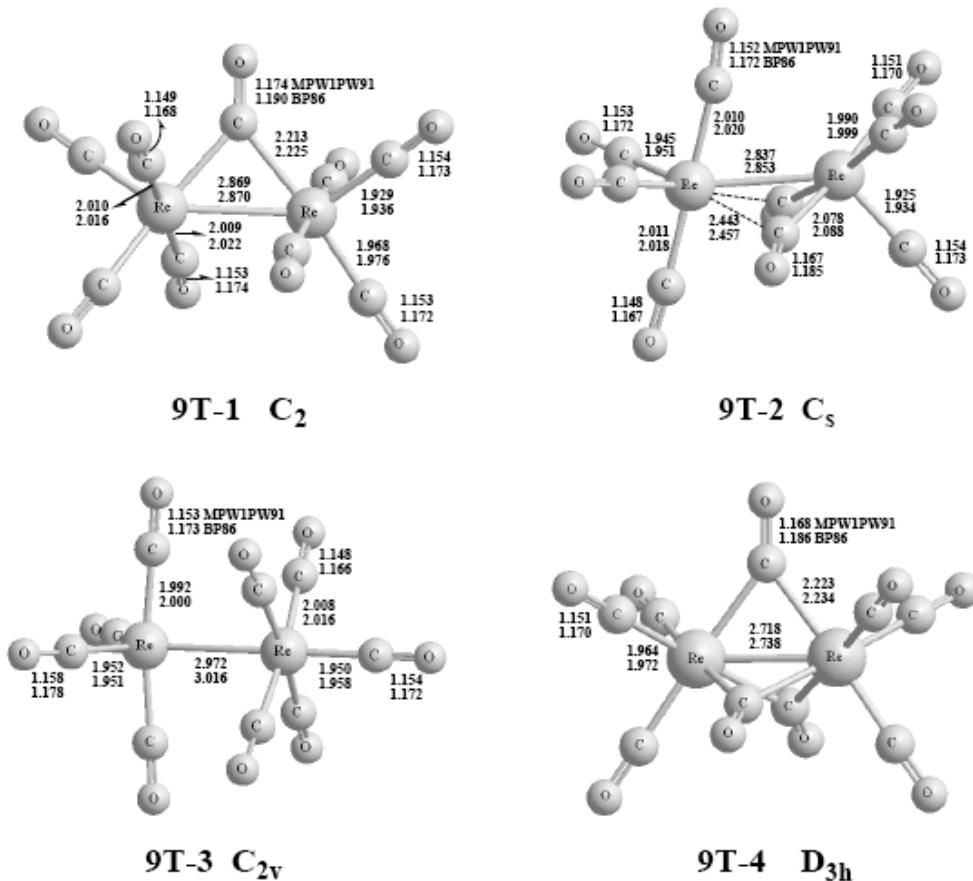


Figure S3. The four optimized triplet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_9$ by SDD basis sets..

Table S4. The total energies (E, in Hartree) and relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol) of triplet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_9$. The number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) and the Re-Re bond distance for each structure is also listed.

| | | 9T-1 (C_2) | 9T-2 (C_s) | 9T-3 (C_{2v}) | 9T-4 (D_{3h}) |
|------------------|------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| MPW1PW91/ SDD | E | -1176.80134 | -1176.79893 | -1176.79892 | -1176.79307 |
| | ΔE | 27.1 | 28.6 | 28.6 | 32.3 |
| | Nimg | 0 | 1(99i) | 0 | 2(92i,92i) |
| | Re-Re | 2.869 | 2.837 | 2.972 | 2.718 |
| BP86/SDD | E | -1177.32944 | -1177.32839 | -1177.32610 | -1177.32308 |
| | ΔE | 24.3 | 25.0 | 26.4 | 28.3 |
| | Nimg | 0 | 1(59i) | 0 | 2(116i,116i) |
| | Re-Re | 2.870 | 2.853 | 3.016 | 2.738 |

Table S5. The infrared $\nu(\text{CO})$ vibrational frequencies (cm^{-1}) predicted for $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_9$ (infrared intensities in parentheses are in km/mol , bridging $\nu(\text{CO})$ frequencies are in **bold**).

| | MPW1PW91/SDD | BP86/SDD | MPW1PW91/LANL2DZ |
|-----------------------------|---|--|---|
| 9S-1 (C_{2v}) | 2069(551), 2080(22), 2093(1004), 2105(2186), 2108(305), 2119(2963), 2126(0), 2163(1099), 2215(22) | 1954(437), 1960(87), 1974(728), 1987(1847), 1988(334), 1997(2393), 2006(0), 2039(962), 2087(37) | 2074(517), 2083(30), 2098(973), 2109(2194), 2113(298), 2122(2928), 2130(0), 2167(1109), 2219(21) |
| 9S-2 (C_s) | 1836(548) , 2079(520), 2094(39), 2095(1365), 2106(785), 2124(541), 2128(3008), 2175(1007), 2217(52) | 1728(458) , 1966(485), 1972(84), 1979(1015), 1985(596), 2002(519), 2004(2480), 2051(923), 2088(45) | 1844(544) , 2086(508), 2097(30), 2101(1320), 2111(772), 2129(529), 2131(2980), 2179(1022), 2221(54) |
| 9S-3 (C_s) | 1869(1005) , 1920(30) , 2077(499), 2113(1650), 2114(393), 2127(1615), 2137(1287), 2155(1876), 2210(134) | 1789(771) , 1820(48) , 1965(381), 1986(433), 1988(1404), 2002(1245), 2010(972), 2028(1780), 2078(151) | 1874(1020) , 1924(29) , 2084(460), 2117(1693), 2119(433), 2132(1531), 2141(1225), 2159(1875), 2214(131) |
| 9S-4 (C_2) | 1862(561) , 2072(42), 2083(46), 2095(902), 2101(2327), 2122(1194), 2131(1530), 2168(1973), 2210(10) | 1778(433) , 1953(65), 1962(70), 1976(692), 1980(1869), 1995(911), 2001(1296), 2039(1827), 2078(6) | 1867(569) , 2076(65), 2087(110), 2101(904), 2105(2229), 2126(1201), 2134(1439), 2170(2005), 2214(9) |
| 9T-1 (C_2) | 1945(401) , 2074(40), 2084(304), 2093(903), 2095(2146), 2112(170), 2112(2190), 2150(2263), 2201(5) | 1838(360) , 1946(150), 1953(658), 1974(269), 1978(1669), 1987(109), 1988(1664), 2022(2245), 2068(2) | |
| 9T-2 (C_s) | 1981(741) , 1983(187) , 2086(143), 2094(796), 2101(1618), 2106(1261), 2116(1223), 2146(2557), 2199(19) | 1869(633) , 1872(152) , 1961(342), 1976(562), 1982(1041), 1985(1095), 1990(985), 2022(2338), 2067(9) | |
| 9T-3 (C_{2v}) | 2053(1261), 2057(852), 2063(618), 2099(599), 2119(1864), 2124(2394), 2137(964), 2143(0), 2219(159) | 1935(690), 1936(890), 1943(545), 1982(575), 1997(1543), 2000(1919), 2013(747), 2019(0), 2090(155) | |
| 9T-4 (D_{3h}) | 1958(758) , 1958(758) , 2006(0) , 2105(0), 2105(0), 2112(1974), 2112(1974), 2150(2770), 2193(0) | 1852(629) , 1852(629) , 1882(0) , 1983(0), 1983(0), 1990(1610), 1990(1610), 2024(2482), 2063(0) | 1962(763) , 1962(763) , 2009(0) , 2111(0), 2111(0), 2118(1940), 2118(1940), 2155(2728), 2198(0) |

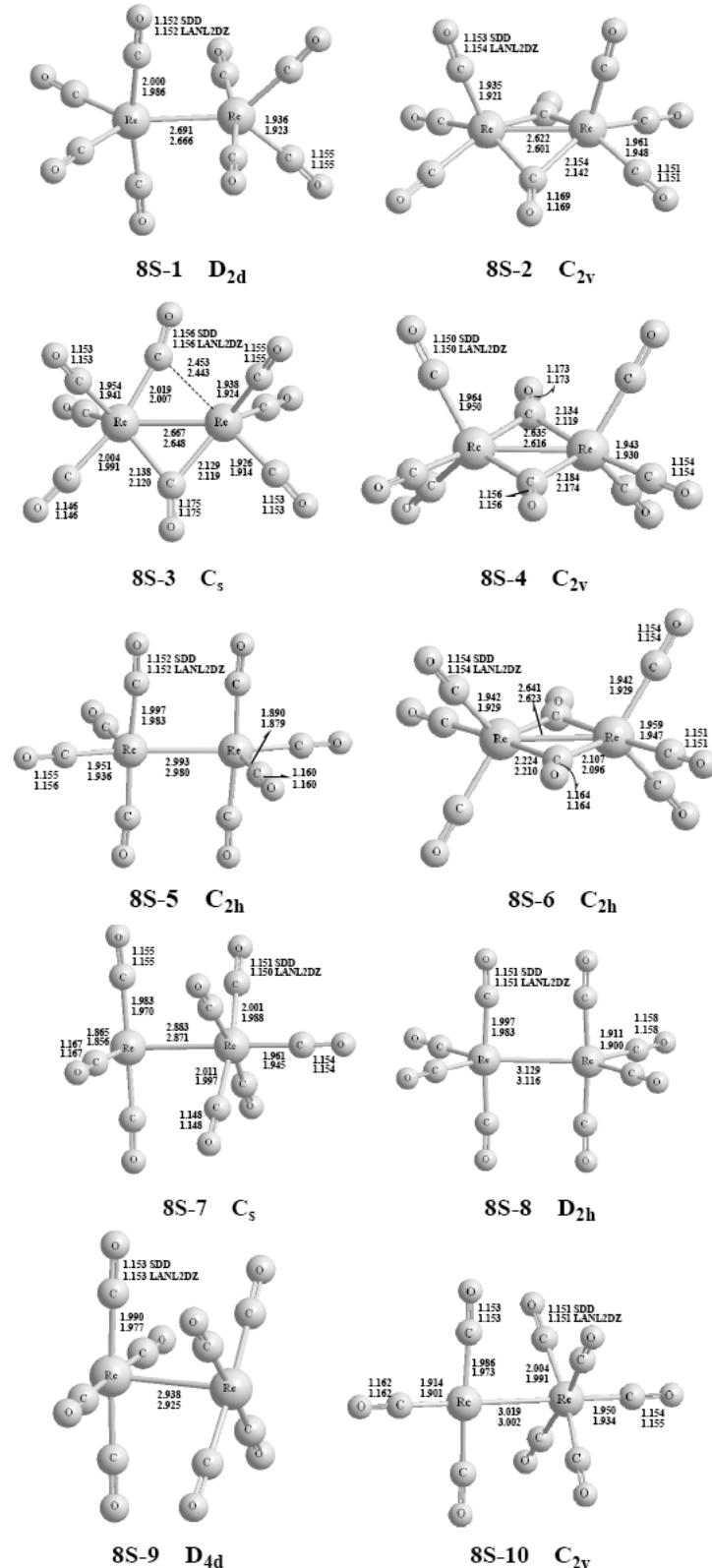


Figure S4. The optimized ten singlet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_8$ by the MPW1PW91 method.

Table S6. The total energies (E, in Hartree) and relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol) of singlet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_8$. The number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) and the Re-Re bond distance for each structure are also listed.

| | 8S-1 (D _{2d}) | 8S-2 (C _{2v}) | 8S-3 (C _s) | 8S-4 (C _{2v}) | 8S-5 (C _{2h}) |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| MPW1PW91/SDD | | | | | |
| E | -1063.48100 | -1063.46028 | -1063.45735 | -1063.45483 | -1063.45249 |
| ΔE | 0 | 13 | 14.8 | 16.4 | 17.9 |
| Nimg | 0 | 0 | 1(20i) | 2(232i,38i) | 1(37i) |
| Re-Re | 2.691 | 2.622 | 2.667 | 2.635 | 2.993 |
| MPW1PW91/LANL2DZ | | | | | |
| E | -1065.04430 | -1065.02017 | -1065.01787 | -1065.01514 | -1065.01425 |
| ΔE | 0 | 15.1 | 16.6 | 18.3 | 18.9 |
| Nimg | 0 | 0 | 1(17i) | 2(231i,36i) | 1(38i) |
| Re-Re | 2.666 | 2.601 | 2.648 | 2.616 | 2.980 |
| BP86/SDD | | | | | |
| E | -1063.97512 | -1063.96332 | -1063.95909 | -1063.95776 | -1063.94449 |
| ΔE | 0 | 7.4 | 10.1 | 10.9 | 19.2 |
| Nimg | 0 | 0 | 1(19i) | 2(180 <i>i</i> ,36 <i>i</i>) | 2(37 <i>i</i> ,5 <i>i</i>) |
| Re-Re | 2.699 | 2.660 | 2.702 | 2.680 | 3.010 |

Table S7. The total energies (E, in Hartree) and relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol) of singlet $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_8$ structures. The number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) and the Re-Re bond distance for each structure are also listed.

| | 8S-6 (C _{2h}) | 8S-7 (C _s) | 8S-8 (D _{2h}) | 8S-9 (D _{4d}) | 8S-10 (C _{2v}) |
|-------------------------|---|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| MPW1PW91/SDD | | | | | |
| E | -1063.45026 | -1063.44485 | -1063.44438 | -1063.4149 | -1063.40935 |
| ΔE | 19.3 | 22.7 | 23.0 | 41.5 | 45.0 |
| Nimg | 3(72 <i>i</i> ,19 <i>i</i> ,16 <i>i</i>) | 0 | 3(56 <i>i</i> ,40 <i>i</i> ,18 <i>i</i>) | 0 | 1(120 <i>i</i>) |
| Re-Re | 2.641 | 2.883 | 3.129 | 2.938 | 3.019 |
| MPW1PW91/LANL2DZ | | | | | |
| E | -1065.01047 | -1065.00639 | -1065.00580 | -1064.97495 | -1064.97071 |
| ΔE | 21.2 | 23.8 | 24.2 | 43.5 | 46.2 |
| Nimg | 3(71 <i>i</i> ,43 <i>i</i> ,18 <i>i</i>) | 0 | 3(56 <i>i</i> ,41 <i>i</i> ,16 <i>i</i>) | 0 | 1(119 <i>i</i>) |
| Re-Re | 2.623 | 2.871 | 3.116 | 2.925 | 3.002 |
| BP86/SDD | | | | | |
| E | -1063.95435 | -1063.93836 | -1063.93801 | | |
| ΔE | 13 | 23.1 | 23.3 | | |
| Nimg | 1(58 <i>i</i>) | 0 | 3(51 <i>i</i> ,40 <i>i</i> ,14 <i>i</i>) | | |
| Re-Re | 2.691 | 2.888 | 3.161 | | |

Table S8. The infrared $\nu(\text{CO})$ vibrational frequencies (cm^{-1}) predicted for singlet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_8$ (infrared intensities in parentheses are in km/mol, bridging $\nu(\text{CO})$ frequencies are in **bold**).

| | MPW1PW91/SDD | MPW1PW91/LANL2DZ | BP86/SDD |
|------------------------------|---|---|--|
| 8S-1 (D_{2d}) | 2072(76), 2072(76), 2096(2717), 2096(2717), 2100(762), 2100(0), 2145(1484), 2192(0) | 2077(35), 2077(35), 2100(2728), 2100(2728), 2105(721), 2106(0), 2150(1514), 2197(0) | 1954(18), 1954(18), 1975(2281), 1975(2281), 1979(522), 1980(0), 2021(1349), 2061(0) |
| 8S-2 (C_{2v}) | 1962(88), 1970(847), 2089(57), 2106(2136), 2109(0), 2115(1763), 2153(2702), 2190(11) | 1966(87), 1974(851), 2095(68), 2112(2068), 2114(0), 2119(1733), 2158(2664), 2195(15) | 1835(66), 1841(640), 1967(2), 1983(1774), 1988(0), 1993(1423), 2030(2268), 2060(2) |
| 8S-3 (C_s) | 1921(494), 2064(376), 2077(509), 2095(1014), 2097(2022), 2127(970), 2153(2100), 2197(235) | 1924(488), 2068(390), 2083(516), 2100(1011), 2102(1973), 2132(919), 2157(2096), 2201(225) | 1793(358), 1929(345), 1957(437), 1975(697), 1978(1671), 2000(783), 2029(1819), 2065(203) |
| 8S-4 (C_{2v}) | 1930(476), 2057(577), 2079(0), 2093(2460), 2108(31), 2113(1649), 2153(2571), 2190(1) | 1931(468), 2060(602), 2086(0), 2099(2419), 2113(24), 2118(1603), 2157(2546), 2194(1) | 1794(354), 1911(456), 1961(0), 1975(2057), 1984(36), 1989(1303), 2029(2177), 2059(1) |
| 8S-5 (C_{2h}) | 2062(0), 2066(0), 2068(2196), 2080(982), 2099(0), 2110(2994), 2145(1602), 2197(0) | 2068(0), 2069(0) 2073(2182), 2085(926), 2104(0), 2114(2956), 2149(1619), 2201(0) | 1945(0), 1950(0), 1955(1773), 1961(829), 1977(0), 1984(2443), 2022(1410), 2067(0) |
| 8S-6 (C_{2h}) | 1985(0), 1996(1152), 2088(0), 2092(2581), 2109(0), 2112(1632), 2152(2559), 2187(0) | 1988(0), 1998(1148), 2094(0), 2098(2531), 2114(0), 2117(1606), 2156(2529), 2191(0) | 1842(0), 1857(878), 1967(0), 1971(2184), 1987(0), 1988(1263), 2030(2151), 2058(0) |
| 8S-7 (C_s) | 2028(738), 2041(1008), 2094(1008), 2112(2091), 2113(1767), 2138(478), 2142(288), 2215(145) | 2033(733), 2044(1009), 2100(994), 2115(2078), 2116(1731), 2141(481), 2146(266), 2219(145) | 1918(953), 1919(517), 1977(911), 1992(1642), 1994(1522), 2010(414), 2020(180), 2088(134) |
| 8S-8 (D_{2h}) | 2066(0), 2070(2390), 2071(0), 2091(731), 2100(0), 2114(3021), 2154(1330), 2198(0) | 2071(0), 2073(0), 2075(2366), 2086(673), 2106(0), 2117(2979), 2157(1367), 2202(0) | 1948(0), 1952(0), 1954(1957), 1962(533), 1981(0), 1987(2463), 2031(1133), 2068(0) |
| 8S-9 (D_{4d}) | 2040(0), 2040(0), 2088(3740), 2088(3740), 2119(0), 2119(0), 2161(277), 2208(0) | 2042(0), 2042(0), 2090(3701), 2090(3701), 2122(0), 2122(0), 2164(270), 2212(0) | |
| 8S-10 (C_{2v}) | 2050(1459), 2062(419), 2093(480), 2102(1714), 2110(2820), 2125(0), 2140(1066), 2207(117) | 2055(1436), 2065(428), 2099(455), 2105(1703), 2114(2776), 2129(0), 2144(1059), 2212(123) | |

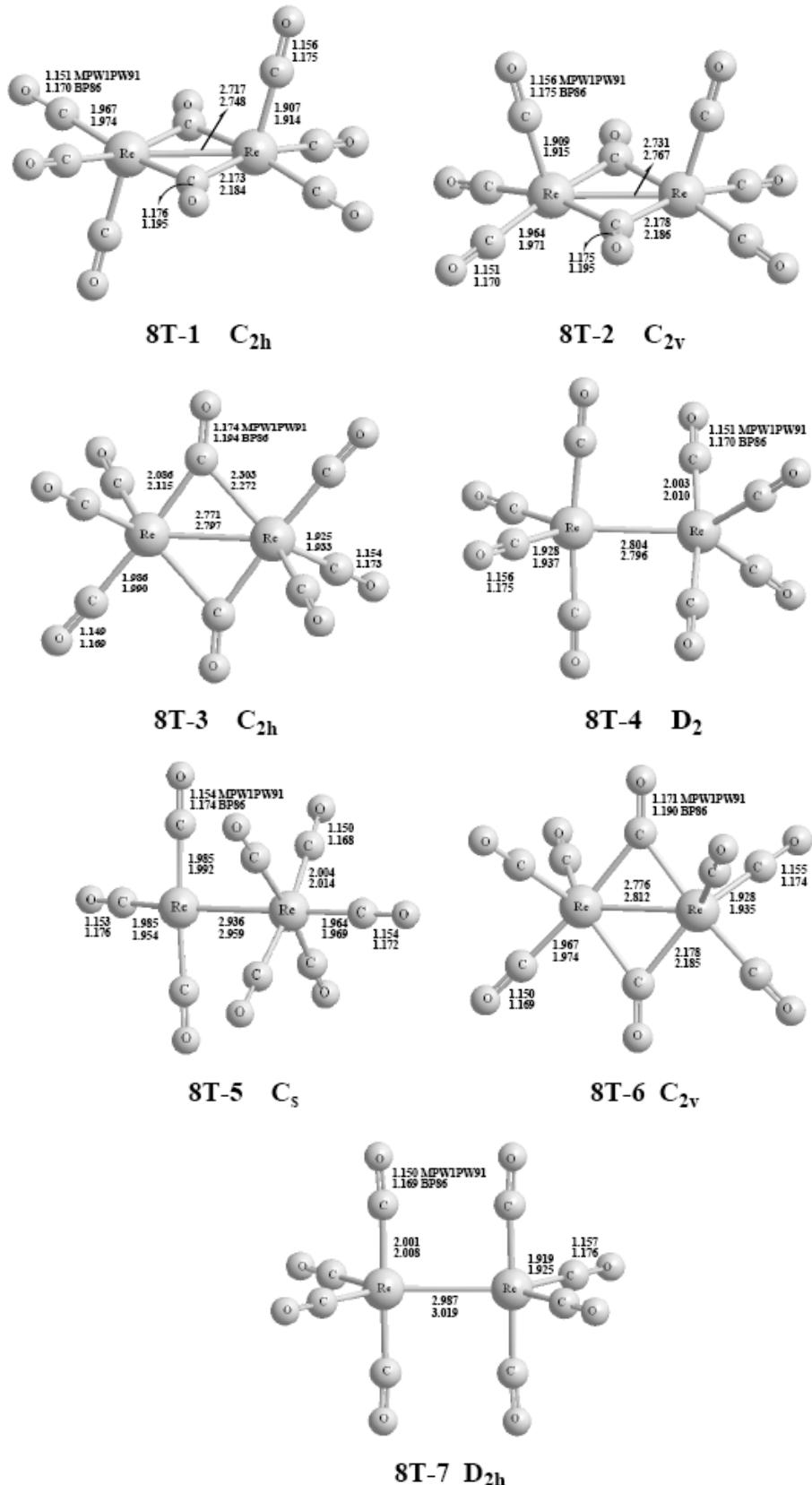


Figure S5. The optimized triplet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_8$ by SDD basis sets.

Table S9. The total energies (E, in Hartree) and relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol) of triplet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_8$. The number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) and the Re-Re bond distance for each structure are also listed.

| | 8T-1 (C_{2h}) | 8T-2 (C_{2v}) | 8T-3 (C_{2h}) | 8T-4 (D_2) | 8T-5 (C_s) | 8T-6 (C_{2v}) | 8T-7 (D_{2h}) |
|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| MPW1PW91/SDD | | | | | | | |
| E | -1063.44880 | -1063.44732 | -1063.44097 | -1063.44043 | -1063.42874 | -1063.43859 | -1063.43420 |
| ΔE | 20.2 | 21.1 | 25.1 | 25.5 | 32.8 | 26.6 | 29.4 |
| Nimg | 0 | 0 | 2(60i,27i) | 1(23i) | 0 | 2(92i,51i) | 2(44i,30i) |
| Re-Re | 2.717 | 2.731 | 2.771 | 2.804 | 2.936 | 2.776 | 2.987 |
| BP86/SDD | | | | | | | |
| E | -1063.94628 | -1063.94457 | -1063.93975 | -1063.93750 | -1063.91472 | -1063.93738 | -1063.92856 |
| ΔE | 18.1 | 19.2 | 22.2 | 23.6 | 37.9 | 23.7 | 29.2 |
| Nimg | 0 | 0 | 2(58i,23i) | 1(9i) | 0 | 2(97i,49i) | 2(43i,32i) |
| Re-Re | 2.748 | 2.767 | 2.797 | 2.796 | 2.959 | 2.812 | 3.019 |

Table S10. The infrared $\nu(\text{CO})$ vibrational frequencies (cm^{-1}) predicted for triplet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_8$ (infrared intensities in parentheses are in km/mol, bridging $\nu(\text{CO})$ frequencies are in **bold**).

| | MPW1PW91/SDD | BP86/SDD |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| 8T-1 (C_{2h}) | 1892(685), 1930(0), 2087(0), 2093(2110), 2111(0), 2116(1867), 2145(3036), 2185(0) | 1786(550), 1809(0), 1969(0), 1974(1792), 1985(0), 1991(1514), 2020(2548), 2055(0) |
| 8T-2 (C_{2v}) | 1893(692), 1937(2), 2083(46), 2098(1987), 2111(0), 2117(1871), 2147(2973), 2187(15) | 1782(555), 1809(0), 1964(40), 1978(1660), 1987(0), 1992(1504), 2021(2524), 2056(11) |
| 8T-3 (C_{2h}) | 1911(742), 1943(0), 2087(0), 2092(2323), 2110(0), 2113(1784), 2146(2891), 2184(0) | 1790(571), 1813(0), 1969(0), 1974(1931), 1985(0), 1988(1453), 2022(2366), 2053(0) |
| 8T-4 (D_2) | 2070(547), 2070(157), 2084(1016), 2085(2023), 2097(0), 2106(2816), 2136(2172), 2193(0) | 1947(193), 1950(113), 1962(1951), 1962(818), 1971(0), 1977(2310), 2010(1729), 2058(0) |
| 8T-5 (C_s) | 2048(689), 2074(1250), 2099(475), 2104(1771), 2111(2608), 2127(3), 2137(1037), 2209(101) | 1925(747), 1934(1117), 1980(539), 1988(1520), 1992(1951), 2006(849), 2009(1), 2083(137) |
| 8T-6 (D_{2h}) | 2070(0), 2074(0), 2075(2369), 2085(853), 2103(0), 2116(2999), 2150(2081), 2202(0) | 1950(0), 1953(0), 1957(1963), 1962(649), 1979(0), 1988(2451), 2025(1687), 2069(0) |
| 8S-7 (C_{2h}) | 2062(0), 2066(0), 2068(2196), 2080(982), 2099(0), 2110(2994), 2145(1602), 2197(0) | 1945(0), 1950(0), 1955(1773), 1961(829), 1977(0), 1984(2443), 2022(1410), 2067(0) |

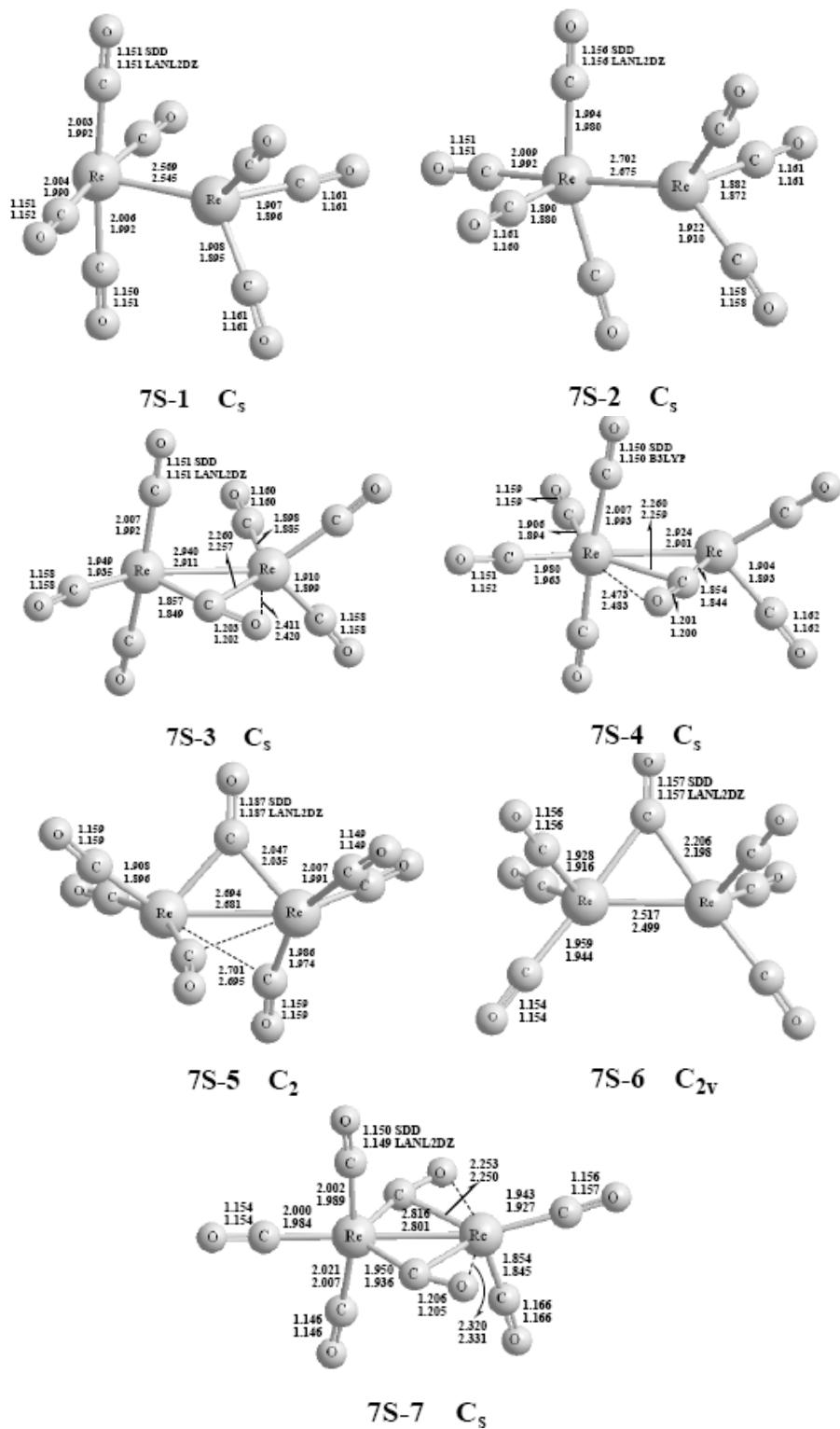


Figure S6. The optimized singlet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_7$ by the MPW1PW91 method.

Table S11. The total energies (E, in Hartree) and relative energies (ΔE in kcal/mol) of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_7$. The number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) and the Re-Re bond distance for each structure are also listed.

| | 7S-1 (C_s) | 7S-2 (C_s) | 7S-3 (C_s) | 7S-4 (C_s) | 7S-5 (C_2) | 7S-6 (C_{2v}) | 7S-7 (C_s) |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| MPW1PW91/SDD | | | | | | | |
| E | -950.11350 | -950.09884 | -950.09421 | -950.09120 | -950.06263 | -950.05973 | -950.05942 |
| ΔE | 0 | 9.2 | 12.1 | 14 | 31.9 | 33.7 | 33.9 |
| Nimg | 1(8i) | 0 | 1(4i) | 0 | 1(27i) | 2(235i,55i) | 0 |
| Re-Re | 2.569 | 2.702 | 2.940 | 2.924 | 2.694 | 2.517 | 2.816 |
| MPW1PW91/LANL2DZ | | | | | | | |
| E | -951.67520 | -951.66020 | -951.65500 | -951.65194 | -951.62227 | -951.61979 | -951.61769 |
| ΔE | 0 | 9.4 | 12.7 | 14.6 | 33.2 | 34.8 | 36.1 |
| Nimg | 1(6i) | 0 | 1(4i) | 0 | 1(26i) | 2(239i,80i) | 0 |
| Re-Re | 2.545 | 2.675 | 2.911 | 2.901 | 2.681 | 2.499 | 2.801 |
| BP86/SDD | | | | | | | |
| E | -950.57557 | -950.55869 | -950.55686 | -950.55239 | | | |
| ΔE | 0 | 10.6 | 11.7 | 14.5 | | | |
| Nimg | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Re-Re | 2.581 | 2.694 | 2.966 | 2.934 | | | |

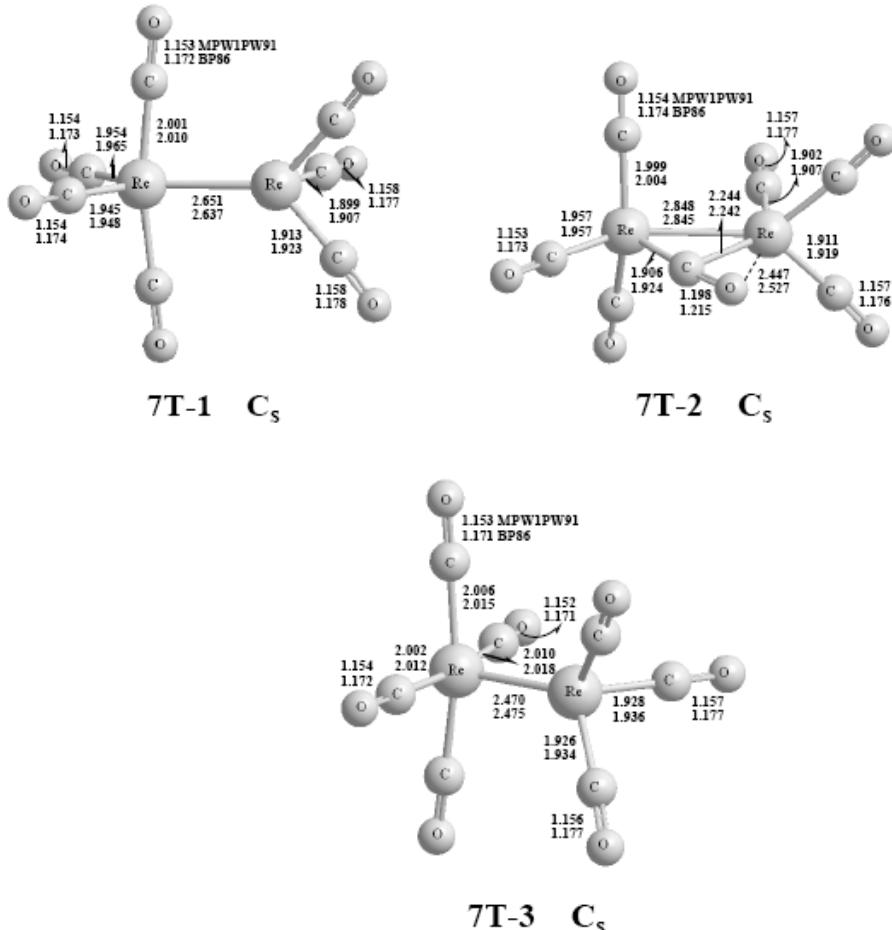


Figure S7. Three optimized triplet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_7$ by SDD basis sets.

Table S12. The total energies (E , in Hartree) and relative energies (ΔE , in kcal/mol) of triplet structures of $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_7$. The number of imaginary vibrational frequencies (Nimg) and the Re-Re bond distance for each structure are also listed.

| | | 7T-1 (C_s) | 7T-2 (C_s) | 7T-3 (C_s) |
|------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| MPW1PW91/ SDD | E | -950.07890 | -950.07540 | -950.07068 |
| | ΔE | 21.7 | 23.9 | 26.9 |
| | Nimg | 0 | 0 | 1(4i) |
| | Re-Re | 2.651 | 2.848 | 2.470 |
| BP86/SDD | E | -950.54255 | -950.53734 | -950.53631 |
| | ΔE | 20.7 | 24.0 | 24.6 |
| | Nimg | 0 | 0 | 1(7i) |
| | Re-Re | 2.637 | 2.845 | 2.475 |

Table S13. The infrared $\nu(\text{CO})$ vibrational frequencies (cm^{-1}) predicted for $\text{Re}_2(\text{CO})_7$ (infrared intensities in parentheses are in km/mol , bridging $\nu(\text{CO})$ frequencies are in **bold**).

| | MPW1PW91/SDD | MPW1PW91/LANL2DZ | BP86/SDD |
|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| 7S-1 (C_s) | 2045(577), 2045(567), 2095(2369), 2096(2411), 2126(997), 2128(32), 2193(70) | 2050(545), 2050(536), 2098(2369), 2099(2412), 2130(47), 2131(981), 2196(67) | 1930(523), 1931(494), 1978(1874), 1978(1929), 2003(783), 2005(70), 2066(116) |
| 7S-2 (C_s) | 2050(7), 2052(397), 2063(1577), 2074(2727), 2095(473), 2126(2182), 2165(41) | 2055(13), 2058(421), 2070(1536), 2078(2682), 2099(496), 2130(2147), 2170(31) | 1930(22), 1939(397), 1952(2182), 1952(1145), 1969(589), 2001(1765), 2035(23) |
| 7S-3 (C_s) | 1830(514) , 2058(1157), 2061(550), 2078(1314), 2099(2288), 2133(1300), 2173(85) | 1841(502) , 2064(1152), 2066(502), 2082(1303), 2102(2297), 2137(1292), 2177(74) | 1727(442) , 1943(918), 1944(328), 1955(980), 1970(2006), 2008(1172), 2042(88) |
| 7-4 (C_s) | 1833(533) , 2039(822), 2073(980), 2092(2279), 2106(1986), 2116(492), 2188(341) | 1843(533) , 2043(801), 2079(971), 2096(2257), 2109(1979), 2120(486), 2191(337) | 1735(423) , 1920(663), 1959(821), 1971(1889), 1984(1659), 1991(384), 2060(315) |
| 7S-5 (C_2) | 1885(508) , 2043(1009), 2045(1314), 2078(84), 2080(2531), 2131(2917), 2177(20) | 1890(504) , 2048(1008), 2050(1301), 2082(97), 2084(2500), 2134(2864), 2180(20) | |
| 7S-6 (C_{2v}) | 2049(686) , 2068(3039), 2074(0), 2080(131), 2087(1943), 2120(3173), 2173(0) | 2054(728) , 2073(2994), 2080(0), 2085(115), 2091(1889), 2124(3147), 2177(0) | |
| 7S-7 (C_s) | 1761(589) , 1801(477) , 2045(843), 2099(2135), 2114(796), 2132(1530), 2197(280) | 1750(591) , 1788(471) , 2039(849), 2094(2215), 2108(800), 2129(1527), 2193(296) | |
| 7T-1 (C_s) | 2053(329), 2062(707), 2082(1644), 2086(2470), 2091(619), 2124(2044), 2170(75) | | 1930(247), 1942(447), 1957(1505), 1961(2007), 1966(404), 1996(1681), 2036(72) |
| 7T-2 (C_s) | 1828(437) , 2064(19), 2075(807), 2078(2858), 2088(742), 2127(1910), 2163(134) | | 1731(326) , 1939(337), 1954(410), 1955(1995), 1963(787), 1998(1706), 2032(140) |
| 7T-3 (C_s) | 2056(232), 2056(185), 2087(1953), 2088(2718), 2090(720), 2129(1339), 2179(49) | | 1931(299), 1931(271), 1966(2082), 1967(2131), 1974(21), 2002(916), 2052(146) |

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