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Editors  
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Dear Editors of *Econometrica*,

Please consider my manuscript, “Product Entry in the Global Automobile Industry,” for publication in *Econometrica*.

The empirical analysis in this paper relies on a proprietary dataset from IHS Markit. Access to this source is contractually restricted: the licensing agreement prohibits me from publishing the raw data. As a result, I cannot include the dataset in a public replication package.

In accordance with *Econometrica*’s Replication Policy, I will be able to provide a complete replication package containing all code used to construct variables, process the data, and generate the tables and figures in the paper. I can also include detailed documentation describing the data structure, variable definitions, sample restrictions, and all processing steps. Any qualified replicator with their own licensed access to IHS Markit will be able to run the code and reproduce the results exactly.

I respectfully request that the editors accept this arrangement as compliant with *Econometrica*’s replication requirements, given the proprietary nature of the data and the restrictions imposed by the data providers.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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