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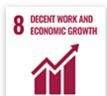Does supply chain concentration improve sustainability performance: The role of operational slack and information transparency

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