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The undersigned,

1.agrees that the data are to be considered "Strictly Confidential", that is "records contain information of an extremely sensitive nature. Access must be confined to the recipient of the data

2.promises and agrees to receive and hold the confidential information in confidence, protecting and safeguarding the confidential information against unauthorized use, publication or disclosure;

3.agrees not to, directly or indirectly, in any way, reveal, report, publish, disclose, transfer or otherwise use any firm-specific information except aggregate data that does not identify specific firms (as a rule, statistics with fewer than five (5) firms may not be reported);

4.agrees to protect the confidentiality of firms participating in the survey and not to seek to use this data to identify or help other(s) identify respondents;

5.agrees not to share the data with other(s), other than research assistants or co- authors who cannot perform their duties without having access to the confidential data, provided that each person to whom it is disclosed shall be made aware of, and required to sign, observe and comply with, the obligations under this protocol;

6.agrees to use this information only for the purpose of academic research;

7. agrees to reference Zhou and Oostendorp (2014) in any publication using the data.

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