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ENHANCING EFFECTS OF SUPPLIER ENCROACHMENT: INSIGHTS FROM CIRCULAR SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT AND FAIRNESS PERCEPTIONS

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Abstract

This paper aims to examine the impact of implementing circular economy technologies within supply chains, which results in changes in the supply chain due to supplier encroachment. A novel research model is developed that comprises 3 constructs and 3 research hypotheses. The 3 constructs are measured by well-supported measures in the literature. The hypotheses are tested on data collected from 2,500 major manufacturing firms in Taiwan and using structural equation modeling. The results of the empirical study suggest that the role played by circular economy technologies is critical in changes in the supply chain due to supplier encroachment. The findings of the study brought about by studying supplier encroachment behavior from a psychological perspective and provide understanding of the consequences experienced by supply chain members as a result of changes.

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