Title: Climate Policies in Supply Chains

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Abstract:

We show that supply chain connections influence the adoption of climate-responsible policies. Using granular firm-level disclosures, we show that suppliers adopt climate action and governance policies following customer firms' adoption of emission reduction targets. Such transmissions are driven by relative bargaining power rather than through a reconfiguration of customer firms' supply chain. However, we find no effect on adopting suppliers' climate outcomes or its leading indicators. This policy-outcome gap is lower when suppliers have higher gross margins and customers can better monitor suppliers' climate actions. Our results have important implications for public policies on environmental due diligence in supply chains.

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