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| Journal Name:            | <a href="#">American Journal of Experimental Agriculture</a>                                                                                         |
| Manuscript Number:       | 2014_AJEA_10386                                                                                                                                      |
| Title of the Manuscript: | <b>Market Information and Extent of Agricultural Commercialization: Empirical Evidence from Smallholder Farmers in Effutu Municipality of Ghana.</b> |
| Type of the Article      | <b>Original Research Article</b>                                                                                                                     |

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**PART 1: Review Comments**

|                                     | <b>Reviewer's comment</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Author's comment</b> <i>(if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i> |
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| <b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments | <p>Introduction needs improvement: Trend analysis of production or contribution of small holder farmers in agriculture is lacking hence the paper assumed the what may be right without proof. Specific efforts of FASDEP II in improving agriculture and information to farmers need to be discussed.</p> <p>Modes of operation of ABCs needs to be presented</p> <p>Under methodology: state why truncated regression is appropriate ie why the choice not because others used it by what can the regression do that is relevant to your objective and other regression cannot do.</p> <p><b>Variables</b></p> <p>Access to Extension agent is poorly measures it supposed to be in frequency.</p> <p>'Land ownership status (Lansta)' is not necessary as it may mask the effect of the more relevant variable</p> <p>'Access to farm land (Lanaces) ' which will actually affect production and sales,</p> <p>'Access to informal market' which is a major variable is vaguely measured as in the era of ict and market dynamics dummy variable can nothing to capture the changes and adjustment of market situations you argued for in the introduction. Frequency of calls or average number of contact eg in a month is a better measure.</p> |                                                                                                                                                                                             |



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