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Type of the Article	Case Study

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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (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)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	To author for clarity, it is desirable to divide the parts of the results and conclusions. Strange expression that he used, about depending experimental data into the model chosen. When specifying the object of the study, author should provide any screening mechanisms or techniques, as so that these statistics may be contradictory.	The parts of results are in section 3 (present the results and discussions) and conclusion in section 4. We explain (2): $\lambda_j \in \{0,1\}$ means that the components of λ are constrained to be bivalent. It can explain as : they must all have values of zero or unity so that $\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_{it} = 1$, one and only one of the performance actually observed can be selected (see Bardhan et al (1996)).
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	To author, desirable to better explain the issue of vertical and horizontal coefficients	Horizontal spillovers run from foreign firms to local firms in the same industry. On the other hand, vertical spillovers refer to local firms that may be able to improve their productivity (efficiency) as a result forward or backward linkages with foreign firms (see Blomstrom and Kokko (1998)).
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Author should more clearly identify the main idea, which he receives as a result of research	Our objective, beyond presenting evidence of technical inefficiency and FDI's spillover effects via horizontal and vertical linkages, is to investigate whether technical efficiency convergence process occurred in the presence of FDI through spillover effects in Vietnamese manufacturing industry. So, the results show in the conclusion: "The contributions of this study are (i) to set the model in which several channels through which FDI may affect efficiency and efficiency convergence of the domestically owned firms; (ii) to show that the presence of FDI increase the speed of efficiency convergence in domestic firms." "