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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)
Compulsory REVISION comments	- The economic environment that affects the SMEs is also effective on larger sized enterprises. Therefore, the study must be more convincing on how this role is different for SMEs. - The GDP of a country is the sum of all products and services created within a period of time. Thus, the GDP number shows the aggregate of SME and large enterprises' production, in total. In the suggested model, however, GDP is regarded as the dependent variable and it represents the GDP contribution of small businesses. This weakens the model and should be reviewed. - In that respect, the model could be reformulated, e.g. the impact of environmental factors on the growth of SME sector over a certain time period, making the SME sector the dependent variable, instead of GDP. That would be more SME specific, thus relevant. - The theory base of the study is insufficient. Although Keynes is a good start, there are other and more recent theories that emphasize the role of small and medium sized businesses' contribution to the economy. They have to be addressed in the study.	<i>The corrections have been effected accordingly. The data on the appendix as highlighted is SMEs specific relative to GDP. Therefore, SMEs is the dependent while environmental factors are independent variables.</i>
Minor REVISION comments	- The use of "GDPs" should be reconsidered.	
Optional/General comments	Overall, the contribution of the study is weak and the methodology should be revised.	