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Re: JEP Submission, "Masking and Employment Changes During the 2000s: Housing Booms and Manufacturing Decline"

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I provide specific answers to the five specific numbered questions contained in the American Economic Association disclosure document (http://www.aeaweb.org/aea_journals/AEA_Disclosure_Policy.pdf).

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Sincerely,

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