

Optimal Green-advertising Incentive Model in a Closed-loop Supply Chain

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Abstract

This research investigates green-advertising incentive strategies in a dynamic multi-channel closed-loop supply chain (CLSC) where a manufacturer as a leader directs both traditional retailer channels and e-tail (online) channels. We built three different green-advertising incentive models: a non-co-op green-advertising incentive model (NGA Model,) where both of the players invest in green advertising, separately; a unilateral co-op green-advertising incentive model (CGA Model), where the manufacturer supports part of the retailer's green-advertising cost incentive to increase its green-advertising investments; and a bilateral co-op green-advertising incentive model (BGA Model), where the manufacturer and retailer support part of each other's green-advertising costs incentive to increase their green-advertising investments. For each of these three models, the optimal price and green-advertising incentive decisions were obtained. The results show that the bilateral co-op green-advertising incentive model (BGA Model) is much stronger than the other two green-advertising incentive strategies in CLSC system. A manufacturer can use a bilateral co-op green-advertising incentive strategy to stimulate and influence the customers' awareness about environmental issues, promote customers' return rate of used/end-of-life products, and ultimately achieve the goals of profit maximization and sustainable development.

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1. Introduction

Given the rapid development of online technology, many manufacturers (or suppliers), such as IBM, P&G and HP, are introducing direct e-tail (online) orders to redesign their supply-chain channels [1-3]. Meanwhile, with the environmental degradation and resource shortage, more and more enterprises recognize the importance of sustainable development. As Bulmus *et al.*, [4] reports, the consumption of remanufactured products in the U.S. grew to \$43 billion by 2011, up from \$37.3 billion in 2009. Companies such as Ford and IBM, through reverse logistics remanufacturing of used products in the closed-loop supply chain (CLSC) to save raw materials, effectively allocate existing resources and material recycling, and ultimately achieve the goals of profit maximization and sustainable development. The CLSC is a closed-loop system that combines both forward and reverse logistics aimed at achieving the challenge of environmental, economic and social performance [5-17].

There is increased interest in research on how to effectively manage the reverse logistics in CLSC system. Lu *et al.* [18] and De Giovanni *et al.*, [19] show that incentive strategies allow the decentralized CLSC to have the same effect of economical and environmental performance as centralized CLSC has. In a decentralized CLSC system, manufacturers may

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use a variety of reverse logistics to collect used/end-of-life products, such as by remanufacturing directly, collecting from consumers, retailers collecting from consumers, or third-party collecting from consumers. Savaskan *et al.*, [20] compared three different options of collecting activities. Saha *et al.*, [21] investigated a dual CLSC coordination and compared three different models of collection types. Savaskan and Van Wassenhove [22] show us that retailer collection is the most effective for the success of a CLSC. On the other hand, the retailer is motivated to close the loop only if there is an attractive economic incentive [23-24]. De Giovanni [25-26] shows that the incentive always turns out to be more effective in the CLSC.

Therefore, how to stimulate the players to close the loop has attracted more attention from researchers. Corbett and Savaskan [27] show that appropriate contract and incentive mechanisms may be achieved in CLSC. Govindan and Popiuc [28], De Giovanni [29], and Xiao, Yang, and Shen [30] investigate a revenue-sharing contract to coordinate a CLSC and show that it always allows better economical and environmental performance. However, Cachon and Lariviere [31] show us that a revenue-sharing contract has drawbacks when applied in industries when chain competition occurs. De Giovanni and Roselli [32] show that an advertising-support strategy may overcome the drawbacks of the revenue-sharing contracts. Based on this, our research investigates a dynamic dual-channel closed-loop supply chain (CLSC), where a manufacturer as a leader directs both traditional retailer channels and e-tail (online) channels and collects used/end-of-life products from the retailer. In addition, both the manufacturer and the retailer invest in green advertising to educate customers and influence their awareness about environmental issues and ultimately promote customers' return rate of used/end-of-life products.

There are two streams of thought about advertising incentive mechanisms, static game frameworks, and dynamic game frameworks. Hong *et al.*, [33] built a static Stackelberg game model to investigate the optimal decisions of local advertising, used-product collection, and pricing in centralized and decentralized CLSC. Xie *et al.*, [34] studied the static centralized and decentralized dual-channel CLSC based on the advertising incentive and recycling rate of products. Because CLSC is a dynamic phenomenon, Savaskan *et al.*, [20] stated that a CLSC should be investigated dynamically, because the influence of a dynamic return rate changes the players' strategies and the channel's outcomes. De Giovanni [24] analyzed a single manufacturer and a single retailer in a dynamic closed-loop supply chain (CLSC), where both of the players invest in green advertising. He shows that the green-advertising investment has a positive impact on the CLSC by implementing a reverse revenue-sharing contract. De Giovanni *et al.*, [25] investigated a dynamic CLSC where a manufacturer directs a retailer's Stackelberg Equilibrium. They show that green-advertising incentive strategies may stimulate higher economic, social, and environmental outcomes. De Giovanni *et al.*, [26] shows a joint maximization green-advertising incentive is always more effective for the success of a dynamic CLSC. However, all of the literature mentioned above is focused on one manufacturer and one retailer. Little of the literature has focused on competitive models [26], and even fewer on the manufacturer directing a retailer channel and online channel as well. Therefore, we built three different dynamic green-advertising incentive strategies: a non-co-op green-advertising model (NGA-Model), where both of the players invest in green advertising separately; a co-op green-advertising model (CGA-Model), where the manufacturer supports part of the retailer's green-advertising cost and incentivizes it to increase its green-advertising investments; and a bilateral co-op green-advertising model (BGA-Model), where the manufacturer and retailer support part of each other's green-advertising costs to incentivize each other to increase their green-advertising investments. Our purpose is to investigate which green-advertising coordination incentive mechanism is the most effective for the success of a CLSC. We make three main contributions, as follows.

1. Our paper models three different dynamic green-advertising incentive mechanisms. Previous green-advertising research in CLSC has focused on static [20, 35] or on dynamic

models with one manufacturer and one retailer. Little of the literature has focused on competitive models [26] and even fewer on the manufacturer directing a retailer channel and online channel as well. Therefore, research in dynamic cooperative green-advertising incentives is still missing.

2. In all of the literature mentioned above, either one player designs an incentive mechanism for both players, or both the players design incentive mechanisms separately. In our case, we design a support-incentive mechanism for the players to stimulate each other to increase their green-advertising investments.

3. This is the first paper to compare three different cooperative green-advertising incentive strategies in CLSC.

Our findings show that the implementation of cooperative green-advertising incentive strategies always causes consumers to return more used/end-of-life products and to save raw materials, increases consumers' willingness to purchase, and ultimately achieves the goals of profit maximization and sustainable development. We especially ask the following questions:

1. What is the optimal pricing and green-advertising incentive decision policy of the dual CLSC?

2. How do the green-advertising incentive mechanisms affect the customers' environmental awareness and product-return rate?

3. Among these three strategies, which one is the best for achieving the challenge of environmental, economic and social performance?

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows. Section 2 develops the green-advertising incentive models. Section 3 characterizes three green-advertising feedback equilibrium scenarios in a CLSC system. The numerical analysis of green-advertising incentive strategies is reported in Section 4. Conclusions and suggests for future research are summarized in Section 5.

2. Model

Let's consider a green-advertising coordination incentive mechanism of CLSC that can be illustrated as in Figure 1, where the manufacturer (player M) sells products to consumers through a newly added online channel at an online price, p_1 . Meanwhile, the manufacturer also sells products to the retailer at a wholesale price, $\omega(t)$, and the retailer decides price p_2 for the consumers. Denote $R(t)$ to be the return rate of used/end-of-life products in a reverse logistic channel from consumers to retailer. In addition, player M decides the online green-advertising efforts, μ_1 as well as the participation rate, η_1 ($0 \leq \eta_1 \leq 1$), as an incentive of the retailer's green-advertising expenditure. The retailer decides the traditional green-advertising efforts, μ_2 , as well as the participation rate, η_2 ($0 \leq \eta_2 \leq 1$), as an incentive of the manufacturer's green-advertising expenditure. Green advertising could increase peoples' awareness about environmental issues that could encourage more customers to return their used/end-of-life products. We assume there is no difference between a manufactured and a remanufactured product.

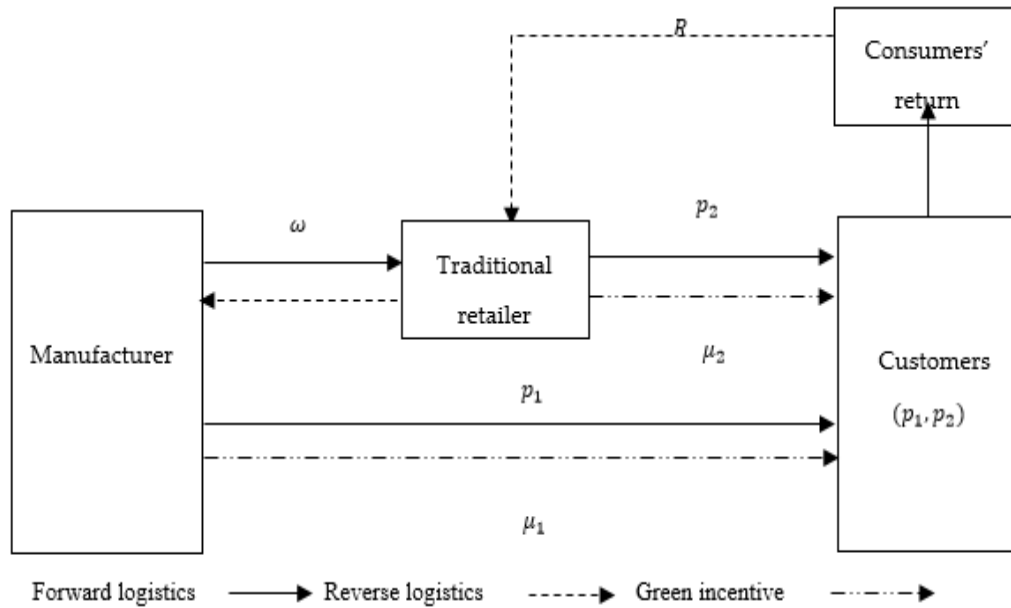


Figure 1. The dual-channel CLSC Distribution

In order to capture the dynamic return rate of the CLSL system, we use the advertising model of Giovanni *et al.*, [25], which is the extended and evolved version of Nerlove and Arrow [36]. The green-advertising strategies contribute to the build-up of the dynamic return rate, which can be modeled as follows:

$$\dot{R}(t) = \rho_1 \mu_1(t) + \rho_2 \mu_2(t) - \delta R(t), \quad R(0) = R_0 \geq 0. \quad (1)$$

where $\rho_1 > 0$ is the effect of the manufacturer's green advertising on returns, $\rho_2 > 0$ is the effect of the retailer's green advertising on returns, $\delta > 0$ is the decay rate of player M loses returns. We assume that demands depend on the prices and return rate; therefore, the demands at any instant of time can be extended as follows:

$$D_1(p_1(t), p_2(t), R(t)) = a\theta\sqrt{R(t)} - b_1 p_1(t) + \beta p_2(t), \quad (2)$$

$$D_2(p_1(t), p_2(t), R(t)) = a(1 - \theta)\sqrt{R(t)} - b_2 p_2(t) + \beta p_1(t). \quad (3)$$

where D_1 and D_2 denote the market demands of the online and offline channels, respectively; b_1, b_2 are nonnegative constants representing the coefficients of self-price elasticity; $a > 0$ is the baseline demand; and β is a nonnegative constant representing the degree of brand differentiation between the traditional and online channels. In addition, both of the channel sell an identical product; so the degree of brand differentiation between the channels, $\beta = 1$. As in Yan *et al.* [37], we assume that the self-price has a greater effect than others, and we assume $b_1 = b_2 = b > \beta$; so that $D(t) = D_1(t) + D_2(t) = a\sqrt{R(t)} - (b - 1)(p_1(t) + p_2(t))$.

Let $\lambda = b - 1$, $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ represent the percentage of accumulated dynamic returns going to the channel members. The green-advertising costs are assumed to have convex and increasing functions as:

$$C(\mu_i(t)) = \frac{1}{2} \mu_i^2(t), \quad i = 1, 2. \quad (4)$$

The manufacturer's objective function in an infinite-time horizon CLSC system can be extended as:

$$J_M = \text{Max} \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} \left\{ (p_1(t) - c)D_1(t) + (\omega(t) - c)D_2(t) + D(t)(\Delta_1 - c)\gamma\sqrt{R(t)} - \frac{(1 - \eta_2(t))}{2}\mu_1^2(t) - \frac{\eta_1(t)}{2}\mu_2^2(t) \right\} dt. \quad (5)$$

And the retailer's objective function is:

$$J_R = \text{Max} \int_0^\infty e^{-rt} \left\{ (p_2(t) - \omega(t))D_2(t) + D(t)(\Delta_2 - c)\gamma\sqrt{R(t)} - \frac{(1 - \eta_1(t))}{2}\mu_2^2(t) - \frac{\eta_2(t)}{2}\mu_1^2(t) \right\} dt. \quad (6)$$

where $\gamma > 0$ is an adjusting parameter, $r > 0$ is the discount rate, Δ_1 represents the cost saving from the remanufacturer, and Δ_2 represents the retailer's profits from recycling the used/end-of-life products.

3. Equilibria

3.1. NGA Feedback Equilibria

In this section, we assume that both of the channel players decide their green-advertising activities independently and that there is no coordination with each other. which means $\eta_1(t) = \eta_2(t) = 0$. Without loss of generality, we omit the time argument and assume that $c = 0$. Proposition 1 demonstrates our main results for the NGA Model.

Proposition 1. Under the NGA Model, feedback equilibrium price strategies and green-advertising decisions are given by:

$$p_1^{NGA} = \frac{N_2\sqrt{R^{NGA}}}{2(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (7)$$

$$\omega^{NGA} = \frac{N_3\sqrt{R^{NGA}}}{2b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (8)$$

$$p_2^{NGA} = \frac{N_4\sqrt{R^{NGA}}}{4b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (9)$$

$$\mu_1^{NGA} = f_1\rho_1, \quad (10)$$

$$\mu_2^{NGA} = f_3\rho_2, \quad (11)$$

where the parameters f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 are the coefficients of the value function.

$$V_m^{NGA} = f_1R^{NGA} + f_2, \quad (12)$$

$$V_r^{NGA} = f_3R^{NGA} + f_4. \quad (13)$$

Proofs are given in Appendix 1.

By inserting μ_1^{NGA} and μ_2^{NGA} into equation (1), we can get the dynamic return rate under a non-co-op green-advertising incentive strategy CLSC system as follows:

$$R_{\infty}^{NGA} = \rho_1^2 f_1 + \rho_2^2 f_3. \quad (14)$$

3.2. CGA Feedback Equilibria

In this scenario, we consider a unilateral co-op green-advertising incentive strategy in the CLSC system, which means that, in this part, the manufacturer reimburses part of the retailer's green-advertising cost ($\eta_1 \neq 0$), which could stimulate and influence the retailer's green-advertising decisions, ultimately promoting the whole channel's return rate and profits. Proposition 2 characterizes our main results under the CGA Model.

Proposition 2. Under the CGA Model, the feedback equilibrium price strategies and green-advertising decisions are given by:

$$p_1^{CGA} = \frac{N_2 \sqrt{R^{CGA}}}{2(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (15)$$

$$\omega^{CGA} = \frac{N_3 \sqrt{R^{CGA}}}{2b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (16)$$

$$p_2^{CGA} = \frac{N_4 \sqrt{R^{CGA}}}{4b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (17)$$

$$\mu_1^{CGA} = g_1 \rho_1, \quad (18)$$

$$\mu_2^{CGA} = \frac{\rho_2(2g_1 + g_3)}{2}, \quad (19)$$

$$\eta_1^{CGA} = \frac{2V_m^{NGA'} - V_r^{NGA'}}{2V_m^{NGA'} + V_r^{NGA'}} = \frac{2g_1 - g_3}{2g_1 + g_3}. \quad (20)$$

where the parameters g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4 are the coefficients of the value function.

$$V_m^{CGA} = g_1 R^{CGA} + g_2, \quad (21)$$

$$V_r^{CGA} = g_3 R^{CGA} + g_4. \quad (22)$$

Proofs are given in Appendix 2.

As in the previous scenario, the optimal price strategies are goodwill-state-dependent. In contrast, the advertising decisions are constant. The above results also show us that, when the manufacturer's margin is more than half of the retailer's, he will support the retailer's green-advertising strategy, otherwise, he will support nothing. On the other hand, he will support all of the green-advertising cost if the retailer's margin is zero. By inserting μ_1^{CGA} and μ_2^{CGA} into equation (1), we can get the accumulation of consumer dynamic return rate under a unilateral co-op green-advertising incentive strategy CLSC system as follows:

$$R_{\infty}^{CGA} = \frac{2\rho_1^2 g_1 + \rho_2^2(2g_1 + g_3)}{2\delta}. \quad (23)$$

3.3. BGA Feedback Equilibria

In this scenario, consistent with Zhang *et al.*, [[37]], we consider a bilateral green-advertising promotion strategy in the CLSC system, which means that, in this part, the manufacturer and retailer reimburse part of each other's green-advertising cost ($\eta_1 \neq 0, \eta_2 \neq 0,$) to stimulate and influence the retailer's green-advertising decisions, which ultimately promotes the whole channel's return rate and profits. Proposition 3 characterizes our main results for the bilateral green-advertising promotion strategy.

Proposition 3. Under the BGA Model, the feedback equilibrium price strategies and green-advertising decisions are given by:

$$p_1^{BGA} = \frac{N_2 \sqrt{R^{BGA}}}{2(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (24)$$

$$\omega^{BGA} = \frac{N_3 \sqrt{R^{BGA}}}{2b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (25)$$

$$p_2^{BGA} = \frac{N_4 \sqrt{R^{BGA}}}{4b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (26)$$

$$\mu_1^{BGA} = \frac{h_3 \rho_1}{\eta_2^{BGA}}, \quad (27)$$

$$\mu_2^{BGA} = \frac{h_3 \rho_2}{1 - \eta_1^{BGA}}, \quad (28)$$

$$\eta_1^{BGA} = \frac{2V_m^{BGA'} - V_r^{BGA'}}{2V_m^{BGA'} + V_r^{BGA'}} = \frac{2h_1 - h_3}{2h_1 + h_3}. \quad (29)$$

$$\eta_2^{BGA} = \frac{2V_r^{BGA'}}{2V_m^{BGA'} + V_r^{BGA'}} = \frac{2h_3}{2h_1 + h_3}. \quad (30)$$

where the parameters h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4 are the coefficients of the value function.

$$V_m^{BGA} = h_1 R^{BGA} + h_2, \quad (31)$$

$$V_r^{BGA} = h_3 R^{BGA} + h_4. \quad (32)$$

As in the previous scenarios, the optimal price strategies depend on the dynamic return rate. In contrast, the green-advertising decisions are constant. The above results also show us that, when the manufacturer's margin is more than half of the retailer's, he will support the retailer's green-advertising strategy; otherwise, he will support nothing. On the other hand, he will support all of the green-advertising cost if the retailer margin is zero. Meanwhile, the retailer will always support the manufacturer's green-advertising strategy if the retailer's margin is not zero.

By inserting (27)-(30) into equation (1), we can get the accumulation of consumer dynamic return rate under a bilateral co-op green-advertising incentive strategy CLSC system as follows:

$$R_{\infty}^{BGA} = \frac{(2h_1 + h_3)(\rho_1^2 + \rho_2^2)}{2\delta}. \quad (33)$$

4. Numerical Analysis

In this section, we consider numerical examples to investigate the three different green-advertising CLSC models' optimal operations and decisions. Our purpose is to check, through the numerically presented theoretical results and the managerial insights provided by sensitivity analysis, which green-advertising incentive strategy is the best for improving channel profits and reducing the conflict.

In order to get the numerical results, all of the parameters are assumed to be exogenous, according to previous research [10, 12, 39, 40], the parameters are considered as follows: $\rho_1 = 0.5$; $\rho_2 = 0.5$; $\delta = 0.1$; $\lambda = 0.03$; $\Delta_1 = 0.3$; $\Delta_2 = 0.1$; $r = 0.1$; $b = 1.2$;

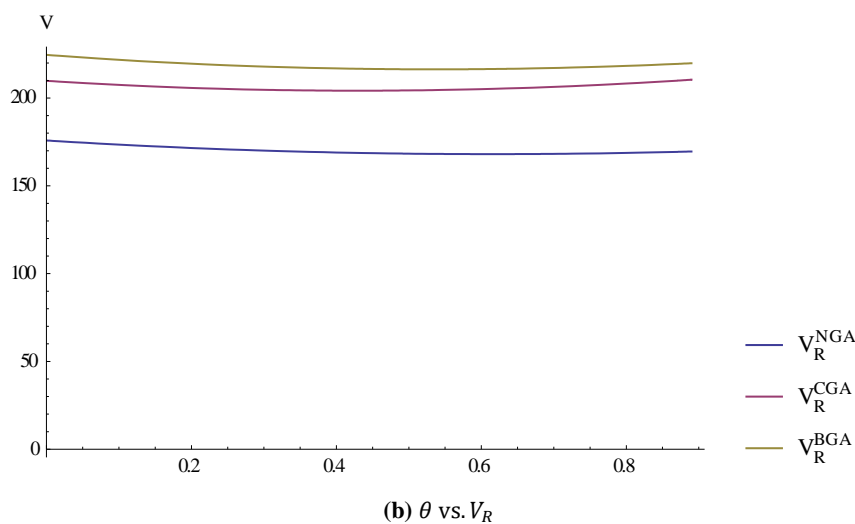
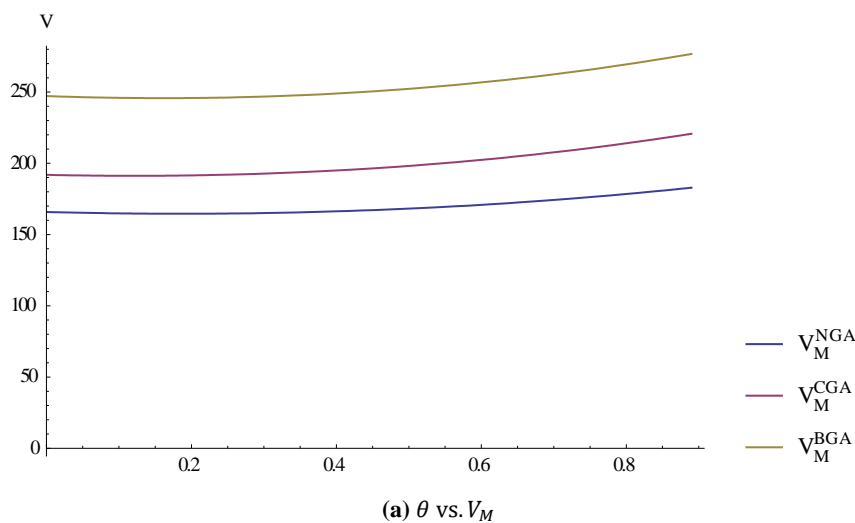


Figure 2. Relationship between the Players' Profits and Market-Sharing Parameter θ

As the market-sharing parameter θ increases, that is, as the customers prefer shopping online more, the retailer's profits decrease as his market sharing decrease (Figure 2b), the manufacturer's profit increase due to his demand increase (Figure 2a).

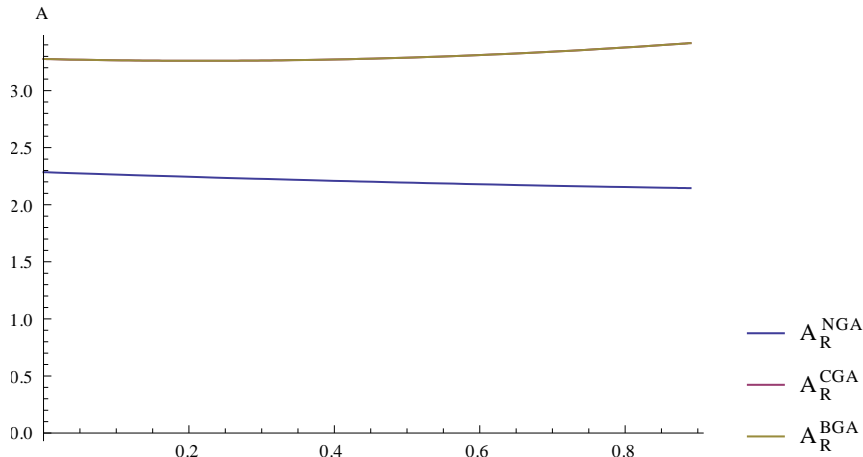


Figure 3. Relationship between Retailer's Green-Advertising Incentive and Market-Sharing Parameter θ

Figure 3 depicts that, as the market-sharing parameter θ increases, the retailer would reduce his green-advertising investment under the non-co-op green-advertising incentive strategy. However, under a co-op green-advertising incentive strategy, because the manufacturer's profits increase, he would like to give more support to the retailer; with the subsidy from the manufacturer, the retailer could recoup his losses and would like to invest in more green advertising, which ultimately stimulates the customers' return rate and his profits. Therefore, the co-op green-advertising incentive strategy has a positive effect on the retailer's investment in green advertising. On the other hand, both the unilateral co-op green-advertising incentive strategy and the bilateral co-op green-advertising incentive strategy have the same effect on the retailer's green-advertising investment.

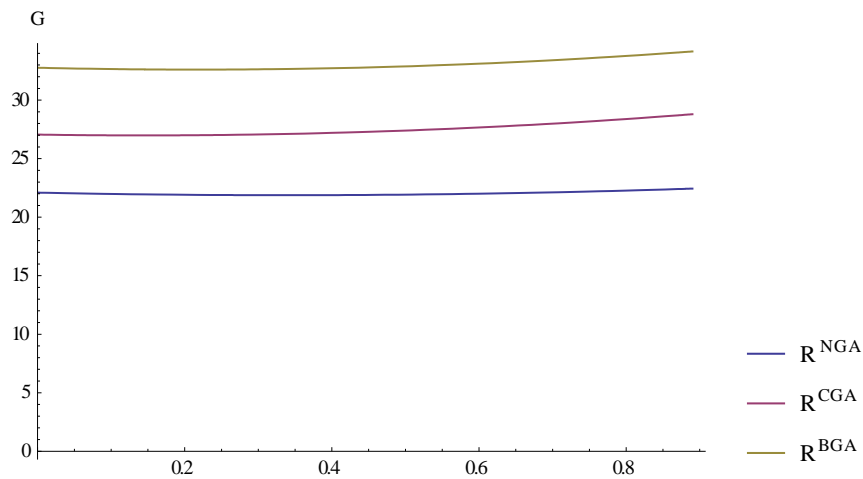


Figure 4. Relationship between Return Rate and Market-Sharing Parameter θ

Figure 4 shows that, among three green-advertising incentive strategies, as the market-sharing parameter θ increases, the CLSC system has the highest return rate under a bilateral co-op green-advertising incentive strategy.

5. Conclusions

In this research, we have investigated three different green-advertising incentive strategies models in a dynamic dual-channel closed-loop supply chain (CLSC): a non-co-

op green-advertising incentive model, a unilateral co-op green-advertising incentive model, and a bilateral co-op green-advertising incentive model. In our research, we compute the optimal price and advertising strategies, payoffs, and dynamic return rate of consumers. Our main results can be summarized as follows:

- (i). Among these three green-advertising incentive strategies scenarios, the optimal price strategies are state-dependent. In contrast, the green-advertising decisions are state-independent;
- (ii). In the newly added online multichannel situation, green-advertising incentive strategies have the positive effect of achieving the goals of profit maximization and sustainable development, and ultimately leading to a Pareto improving;
- (iii). The outcomes for the manufacturer and retailer are always better under the bilateral co-op green-advertising incentive model.

Future research can be extended in several directions, such as service decisions and information sharing. Second, it should be much more interesting to use different types of contracts, such as revenue sharing and paybacks in our model. Third, we assume there is no difference between manufactured and remanufactured products; however, the remanufactured product could not be as good as the new one, which should be considered in future research.

Supplementary Materials: The [Mathematica Untitled.nb] code used to support the findings of this study have been deposited in the [Scientific Data recommended repositories] repository [[doi](#)].

Appendix 1

We first let $V_m^{NGA}(G), V_r^{NGA}(G)$ be value functions of a manufacturer directing both traditional retailer channels and online channels based on dynamic return rate in a continuously differentiable function. The channel members' HJB equations for value functions under the NGA Model can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned}
 rV_m^{NGA} = & \left\{ p_1^{NGA} \left(\theta \sqrt{R^{NGA}} - bp_1^{NGA} + p_2^{NGA} \right) \right. \\
 & + \omega^{NGA} \left[(1 - \theta) \sqrt{R^{NGA}} - bp_2^{NGA} + p_1^{NGA} \right] + \Delta_1 \gamma \sqrt{R^{NGA}} (\sqrt{R^{NGA}} \\
 & - \lambda p_1^{NGA} - \lambda p_2^{NGA}) - \frac{1}{2} (\mu_1^{NGA})^2 \\
 & \left. + V_m^{NGA'} (\rho_1 \mu_1^{NGA} + \rho_2 \mu_2^{NGA} - \delta R^{NGA}) \right\}, \tag{34}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 rV_r^{NGA} = & \left\{ (p_2^{NGA} - \omega^{NGA}) \left[(1 - \theta) \sqrt{R^{NGA}} - bp_2^{NGA} + p_1^{NGA} \right] + \Delta_2 \gamma \sqrt{R^{NGA}} (\sqrt{R^{NGA}} \right. \\
 & - \lambda p_1^{NGA} - \lambda p_2^{NGA}) - \frac{1}{2} (\mu_2^{NGA})^2 \\
 & \left. + V_r^{NGA'} (\rho_1 \mu_1^{NGA} + \rho_2 \mu_2^{NGA} - \delta R^{NGA}) \right\}. \tag{35}
 \end{aligned}$$

Take the first-order conditions with respect to p_2^{NGA} and μ_2^{NGA} to maximization the retailer as:

$$p_2^{NGA} = \frac{[(1 - \theta) - \lambda \Delta_2] \sqrt{R^{NGA}} + bp_1^{NGA} + b\omega^{NGA}}{2b}, \tag{36}$$

$$\mu_2^{NGA} = V_r^{NGA'} \rho_2. \quad (37)$$

Substituting (36) into (34), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} rV_m^{NGA} = & \left\{ p_1^{NGA} \left(\theta \sqrt{R^{NGA}} - bp_1^{NGA} + \frac{[(1-\theta) - \lambda\Delta_2] \sqrt{R^{NGA}} + bp_1^{NGA} + b\omega^{NGA}}{2b} \right) \right. \\ & + \omega^{NGA} \left[(1-\theta) \sqrt{R^{NGA}} - b \frac{[(1-\theta) - \lambda\Delta_2] \sqrt{R^{NGA}} + bp_1^{NGA} + b\omega^{NGA}}{2b} \right. \\ & \left. \left. + p_1^{NGA} \right) + \Delta_1 \gamma \sqrt{R^{NGA}} (\sqrt{R^{NGA}} - \lambda p_1^{NGA}) \right. \\ & \left. - \lambda \frac{[(1-\theta) - \lambda\Delta_2] \sqrt{R^{NGA}} + bp_1^{NGA} + b\omega^{NGA}}{2b} \right) - \frac{1}{2} (\mu_1^{NGA})^2 \\ & \left. + V_m^{NGA'} (\rho_1 \mu_1^{NGA} + \rho_2 \mu_2^{NGA} - \delta R^{NGA}) \right\}. \quad (38) \end{aligned}$$

Taking the first-order conditions with respect to p_1^{NGA} , ω^{NGA} and μ_1^{NGA} to maximize the manufacturer, we obtain

$$p_1^{NGA} = \frac{N_2 \sqrt{R^{NGA}}}{2(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (39)$$

$$\omega^{NGA} = \frac{N_3 \sqrt{R^{NGA}}}{2b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (40)$$

$$\mu_1^{NGA} = \rho_1 V_r^{NGA'}. \quad (41)$$

Then, substituting (39) and (40) into (36), we obtain

$$p_2^{NGA} = \frac{N_4 \sqrt{R^{NGA}}}{4b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (42)$$

Here,

$$N_1 = (1 - \theta) - \lambda\Delta_2, \quad (43)$$

$$N_2 = (1 - \theta) + b\theta - \lambda\Delta_1(1 + b), \quad (44)$$

$$N_3 = (b - 1)(b + 1)(1 - \theta) - b\theta(b - 1) + b^2(1 - N_1) - \lambda\Delta_1(1 + b) + N_1, \quad (45)$$

$$N_4 = 2(b^2 - 1)N_1 + N_3 + N_2. \quad (46)$$

We look for the linear value functions,

$$V_m^{NGA} = f_1 R^{NGA} + f_2, V_m^{NGA'} = f_1, \quad (47)$$

$$V_r^{NGA} = f_3 R^{NGA} + f_4, V_r^{NGA'} = f_3. \quad (48)$$

where f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 are the parameters. Substituting (37) and (39)-(42) into HJB equations and simultaneous equations (47) and (48), we can obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &4bN_2(b^2 - 1)\theta - 2b^2N_2^2 + N_2N_4 + 4(b^2 - 1)(1 - \theta)N_3 - N_3N_4 + 2N_2N_3 \\
 &\quad + 8b(b^2 - 1)^2\Delta_1 - 4b\lambda\Delta_1N_2(b^2 - 1) - 2\Delta_1\lambda N_4(b^2 - 1) \\
 &= 8b(b^2 - 1)^2(r + \delta)f_1,
 \end{aligned} \tag{49}$$

$$f_1^2\rho_1^2 + 2f_1f_3\rho_2^2 = 2rf_2, \tag{50}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &4(b^2 - 1)(N_4 - 2N_3)(1 - \theta) - N_4(N_4 - 2N_3) + 2N_2(N_4 - 2N_3) + 16b(b^2 - 1)^2\Delta_2 \\
 &\quad - 8b\Delta_2N_2\lambda(b^2 - 1) - 4\Delta_2N_4\lambda(b^2 - 1) \\
 &= 16b(b^2 - 1)^2(r + \delta)f_3,
 \end{aligned} \tag{51}$$

$$2f_1f_3\rho_1^2 + f_3^2\rho_2^2 = 2rf_4. \tag{52}$$

simultaneous equations (49)-(52), we can easily obtain the parameters f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 . And inserting f_1 and f_3 into (37) and (41), respectively, we can easily get

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\mu_1^{NGA} \\
 &\rho_1 \left(\begin{array}{l} 4b^2N_3 - 2b^2N_2^2 - 4N_3 + 2N_2N_3 + N_2N_4 - N_3N_4 \\ -4bN_2\theta + 4b^3N_2\theta + 4N_3\theta - 4b^2N_3\theta + 8b\Delta_1 - 16b^3\Delta_1 \\ +8b^5\Delta_1 + 4b\lambda\Delta_1 - 4b^3\lambda\Delta_1 + 2N_4\lambda\Delta_1 - 2b^2N_4\lambda\Delta_1 \end{array} \right) \\
 &= \frac{\hspace{10em}}{8b(b^2 - 1)^2(r + \delta)},
 \end{aligned} \tag{53}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\mu_2^{NGA} \\
 &\rho_2 \left(\begin{array}{l} 8N_3 - 8b^2N_3 - 2N_2N_3 - 4N_4 + 4b^2N_4 + 2N_2N_4 + 2N_3N_4 - N_4^2 \\ -8N_3\theta + 8b^2N_3\theta + 4N_4\theta - 4b^2N_4\theta + 16b\Delta_2 - 32b^3\Delta_2 \\ +16b^5\Delta_2 + 8bN_2\lambda\Delta_2 - 8b^3N_2\lambda\Delta_2 + 4N_4\lambda\Delta_2 - 4b^2N_4\lambda\Delta_2 \end{array} \right) \\
 &= \frac{\hspace{10em}}{16b(b^2 - 1)^2(r + \delta)},
 \end{aligned} \tag{54}$$

Appendix 2

We first let $V_m^{CGA}(G), V_r^{CGA}(G)$ be value functions of a manufacturer directing both traditional retailer channels and online channels based on a dynamic return rate in a continuously differentiable function. The channel members' HJB equations for value functions under the CGA -Model can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned}
 rV_m^{CGA} = &\left\{ p_1^{CGA} \left(\theta\sqrt{R^{CGA}} - bp_1^{CGA} + p_2^{CGA} \right) + \omega^{CGA} \left[(1 - \theta)\sqrt{R^{CGA}} - bp_2^{CGA} + p_1^{CGA} \right] \right. \\
 &+ \Delta_1\gamma\sqrt{R^{CGA}} \left(\sqrt{R^{CGA}} - \lambda p_1^{CGA} - \lambda p_2^{CGA} \right) - \frac{1}{2}(\mu_1^{CGA})^2 - \frac{\eta_1^{CGA}}{2}(\mu_2^{CGA})^2 \\
 &\left. + V_m^{CGA'}(\rho_1\mu_1^{CGA} + \rho_2\mu_2^{CGA} - \delta R^{CGA}) \right\},
 \end{aligned} \tag{55}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 rV_r^{CGA} = &\left\{ (p_2^{CGA} - \omega^{CGA}) \left[(1 - \theta)\sqrt{R^{CGA}} - bp_2^{CGA} + p_1^{CGA} \right] + \Delta_2\gamma\sqrt{R^{CGA}}(\sqrt{R^{CGA}} \right. \\
 &- \lambda p_1^{CGA} - \lambda p_2^{CGA}) - \frac{(1 - \eta_1^{CGA})}{2}(\mu_2^{CGA})^2 \\
 &\left. + V_r^{CGA'}(\rho_1\mu_1^{CGA} + \rho_2\mu_2^{CGA} - \delta R^{CGA}) \right\}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{56}$$

We take the first-order conditions with respect to p_2^{CGA} and μ_2^{CGA} to maximize the retailer as:

$$p_2^{CGA} = \frac{[(1 - \theta) - \lambda\Delta_2]\sqrt{R^{CGA}} + bp_1^{CGA} + b\omega^{CGA}}{2b}, \quad (57)$$

$$\mu_2^{CGA} = \frac{V_r^{CGA'} \rho_2}{1 - \eta_1^{CGA}}. \quad (58)$$

Substituting (57)-(58) into (55), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} rV_m^{CGA} = & \left\{ p_1^{CGA} \left(\theta\sqrt{R^{CGA}} - bp_1^{CGA} + \frac{[(1 - \theta) - \lambda\Delta_2]\sqrt{R^{CGA}} + bp_1^{CGA} + b\omega^{CGA}}{2b} \right) \right. \\ & + \omega^{CGA} \left[(1 - \theta)\sqrt{R^{CGA}} - b \frac{[(1 - \theta) - \lambda\Delta_2]\sqrt{R^{CGA}} + bp_1^{CGA} + b\omega^{CGA}}{2b} \right. \\ & \left. \left. + p_1^{CGA} \right) \right. \\ & + \Delta_1 \gamma \sqrt{R^{CGA}} \left(\sqrt{R^{CGA}} - \lambda p_1^{CGA} \right. \\ & \left. - \lambda \frac{[(1 - \theta) - \lambda\Delta_2]\sqrt{R^{CGA}} + bp_1^{CGA} + b\omega^{CGA}}{2b} \right) - \frac{1}{2} (\mu_1^{CGA})^2 \\ & - \frac{\eta_1^{CGA}}{2} \left(\frac{V_r^{CGA'} \rho_2}{1 - \eta_1^{CGA}} \right)^2 \\ & \left. + V_m^{CGA'} \left(\rho_1 \mu_1^{CGA} + \frac{V_r^{CGA'} \rho_2^2}{1 - \eta_1^{CGA}} - \delta R^{CGA} \right) \right\}. \quad (59) \end{aligned}$$

Taking the first-order conditions with respect to p_1^{CGA} , ω^{CGA} , μ_1^{CGA} and η_1^{CGA} to maximize the manufacturer we obtain

$$p_1^{CGA} = \frac{N_2 \sqrt{R^{CGA}}}{2(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (60)$$

$$\omega^{CGA} = \frac{N_3 \sqrt{R^{CGA}}}{2b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (61)$$

$$\mu_1^{CGA} = \rho_1 V_m^{CGA'}. \quad (62)$$

$$\eta_1^{CGA} = \frac{2V_m^{CGA'} - V_r^{CGA'}}{2V_m^{CGA'} + V_r^{CGA'}}. \quad (63)$$

Then, substituting (60) and (61) into (57), we obtain

$$p_2^{CGA} = \frac{N_4 \sqrt{R^{CGA}}}{4b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (64)$$

We look for the linear value functions,

$$V_m^{CGA} = g_1 R^{CGA} + g_2, V_m^{CGA'} = g_1, \quad (65)$$

$$V_r^{CGA} = g_3 R^{CGA} + g_4, V_r^{CGA'} = g_3. \quad (66)$$

where g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4 are the parameters. Substituting (58) and (60)-(64) into HJB equations and simultaneous equations (65) and (66), we can obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} & 4bN_2(b^2 - 1)\theta - 2b^2N_2^2 + N_2N_4 + 4(b^2 - 1)(1 - \theta)N_3 - N_3N_4 + 2N_2N_3 \\ & + 8b(b^2 - 1)^2\Delta_1 - 4b\lambda\Delta_1N_2(b^2 - 1) - 2\Delta_1\lambda N_4(b^2 - 1) \\ & = 8b(b^2 - 1)^2(r + \delta)g_1, \end{aligned} \quad (67)$$

$$4g_1^2\rho_1^2 - \rho_2^2(2g_1 + g_3)(2g_1 - g_3) + 4g_1\rho_2^2(2g_1 + g_3) = 8rg_2, \quad (68)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 4(b^2 - 1)(N_4 - 2N_3)(1 - \theta) - N_4(N_4 - 2N_3) + 2N_2(N_4 - 2N_3) + 16b(b^2 - 1)^2\Delta_2 \\ & - 8b\Delta_2N_2\lambda(b^2 - 1) - 4\Delta_2N_4\lambda(b^2 - 1) \\ & = 16b(b^2 - 1)^2(r + \delta)g_3, \end{aligned} \quad (69)$$

$$g_3\rho_2^2(2g_1 + g_3) + 4g_1g_3\rho_1^2 = 4rg_4. \quad (70)$$

simultaneous equations (67)-(70), we can easily obtain the parameters g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4 . And inserting g_1 and g_3 into (58), (62) and (63), respectively, we can easily get

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_1^{CGA} \\ & \rho_1 \left(\begin{array}{c} 4b^2N_3 - 2b^2N_2^2 - 4N_3 + 2N_2N_3 + N_2N_4 - N_3N_4 \\ -4bN_2\theta + 4b^3N_2\theta + 4N_3\theta - 4b^2N_3\theta + 8b\Delta_1 - 16b^3\Delta_1 \\ +8b^5\Delta_1 + 4b\lambda\Delta_1 - 4b^3\lambda\Delta_1 + 2N_4\lambda\Delta_1 - 2b^2N_4\lambda\Delta_1 \end{array} \right) \\ & = \frac{\mu_1^{CGA}}{8b(b^2 - 1)^2(r + \delta)}, \end{aligned} \quad (71)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu_2^{CGA} \\ & \rho_2 \left(\begin{array}{c} 4b^2N_3 - 2b^2N_2^2 - 4N_3 + 2N_2N_3 + N_2N_4 - N_3N_4 \\ -4bN_2\theta + 4b^3N_2\theta + 4N_3\theta - 4b^2N_3\theta + 8b\Delta_1 - 16b^3\Delta_1 \\ +8b^5\Delta_1 + 4b\lambda\Delta_1 - 4b^3\lambda\Delta_1 + 2N_4\lambda\Delta_1 - 2b^2N_4\lambda\Delta_1 \end{array} \right) \\ & = \frac{\mu_2^{CGA}}{8b(b^2 - 1)^2(r + \delta)} \\ & + \frac{\rho_2 \left(\begin{array}{c} 8N_3 - 8b^2N_3 - 2N_2N_3 - 4N_4 + 4b^2N_4 + 2N_2N_4 + 2N_3N_4 - N_4^2 \\ -8N_3\theta + 8b^2N_3\theta + 4N_4\theta - 4b^2N_4\theta + 16b\Delta_2 - 32b^3\Delta_2 \\ +16b^5\Delta_2 + 8bN_2\lambda\Delta_2 - 8b^3N_2\lambda\Delta_2 + 4N_4\lambda\Delta_2 - 4b^2N_4\lambda\Delta_2 \end{array} \right)}{32b(b^2 - 1)^2(r + \delta)}, \end{aligned} \quad (72)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \eta_1^{CGA} \\ & \left(\begin{array}{c} -8b^2N_2^2 - 24N_3 + 24b^2N_3 + 10N_2N_3 + 4N_4 - 4b^2N_4 + 2N_2N_4 - 6N_3N_4 \\ +N_4^2 - 16bN_2\theta + 16b^3N_2\theta + 24N_3\theta - 24b^2N_3\theta - 4N_4\theta + 4b^2N_4\theta + 32b\Delta_1 \\ -64b^3\Delta_1 + 32b^5\Delta_1 + 16b\lambda\Delta_1 - 16b^3\lambda\Delta_1 + 8N_4\lambda\Delta_1 - 8b^2N_4\lambda\Delta_1 - 16b\Delta_2 \\ +32b^3\Delta_2 - 16b^5\Delta_2 - 8bN_2\lambda\Delta_2 + 8b^3N_2\lambda\Delta_2 - 4N_4\lambda\Delta_2 + 4b^2N_4\lambda\Delta_2 \end{array} \right) \\ & = \frac{\eta_1^{CGA}}{\left(\begin{array}{c} -8b^2N_2^2 - 8N_3 + 8b^2N_3 + 6N_2N_3 - 4N_4 + 4b^2N_4 + 6N_2N_4 - 2N_3N_4 - N_4^2 \\ -16bN_2\theta + 16b^3N_2\theta + 8N_3\theta - 8b^2N_3\theta + 4N_4\theta - 4b^2N_4\theta + 32b\Delta_1 \\ -64b^3\Delta_1 + 32b^5\Delta_1 + 16b\lambda\Delta_1 - 16b^3\lambda\Delta_1 + 8N_4\lambda\Delta_1 - 8b^2N_4\lambda\Delta_1 + 16b\Delta_2 \\ -32b^3\Delta_2 + 16b^5\Delta_2 + 8bN_2\lambda\Delta_2 - 8b^3N_2\lambda\Delta_2 + 4N_4\lambda\Delta_2 - 4b^2N_4\lambda\Delta_2 \end{array} \right)}. \end{aligned} \quad (73)$$

Appendix 3

We first let $V_m^{BGA}(G), V_r^{BGA}(G)$ be value functions of a manufacturer directing both traditional retailer channels and online channels based on dynamic rerurn rate in a

continuously differentiable function. The channel members' HJB equations for value functions under the BGA Model can be written as:

$$rV_m^{BGA} = \left\{ p_1^{BGA} \left(\theta \sqrt{R^{BGA}} - bp_1^{BGA} + p_2^{BGA} \right) + \omega^{BGA} \left[(1 - \theta) \sqrt{R^{BGA}} - bp_2^{BGA} + p_1^{BGA} \right] \right. \\
 + \Delta_1 \gamma \sqrt{R^{BGA}} \left(\sqrt{R^{BGA}} - \lambda p_1^{BGA} - \lambda p_2^{BGA} \right) - \frac{(1 - \eta_2^{BGA})}{2} (\mu_1^{BGA})^2 \\
 \left. - \frac{\eta_1^{BGA}}{2} (\mu_2^{BGA})^2 + V_m^{BGA'} (\rho_1 \mu_1^{BGA} + \rho_2 \mu_2^{BGA} - \delta R^{BGA}) \right\}, \quad (74)$$

$$rV_r^{BGA} = \left\{ (p_2^{BGA} - \omega^{BGA}) \left[(1 - \theta) \sqrt{R^{BGA}} - bp_2^{BGA} + p_1^{BGA} \right] \right. \\
 + \Delta_2 \gamma \sqrt{R^{BGA}} \left(\sqrt{R^{BGA}} - \lambda p_1^{BGA} - \lambda p_2^{BGA} \right) - \frac{\eta_2^{BGA}}{2} (\mu_1^{BGA})^2 \\
 \left. - \frac{(1 - \eta_1^{BGA})}{2} (\mu_2^{BGA})^2 + V_r^{BGA'} (\rho_1 \mu_1^{BGA} + \rho_2 \mu_2^{BGA} - \delta R^{BGA}) \right\}. \quad (75)$$

Take the first-order conditions with respect to p_2^{BGA} , μ_1^{BGA} and μ_2^{BGA} to maximize the retailer as:

$$p_2^{BGA} = \frac{[(1 - \theta) - \lambda \Delta_2] \sqrt{R^{BGA}} + bp_1^{BGA} + b\omega^{BGA}}{2b}, \quad (76)$$

$$\mu_1^{BGA} = \frac{V_r^{BGA'} \rho_1}{\eta_2^{BGA}}. \quad (77)$$

$$\mu_2^{BGA} = \frac{V_r^{BGA'} \rho_2}{1 - \eta_1^{BGA}}. \quad (78)$$

Substituting (76)-(78) into (74), we obtain:

$$rV_m^{BGA} = \left\{ p_1^{BGA} \left(\theta \sqrt{R^{BGA}} - bp_1^{BGA} + \frac{[(1 - \theta) - \lambda \Delta_2] \sqrt{R^{BGA}} + bp_1^{BGA} + b\omega^{BGA}}{2b} \right) \right. \\
 + \omega^{BGA} \left[(1 - \theta) \sqrt{R^{BGA}} - b \frac{[(1 - \theta) - \lambda \Delta_2] \sqrt{R^{BGA}} + bp_1^{BGA} + b\omega^{BGA}}{2b} \right. \\
 \left. \left. + p_1^{BGA} \right) \right. \\
 + \Delta_1 \gamma \sqrt{R^{BGA}} \left(\sqrt{R^{BGA}} - \lambda p_1^{BGA} \right. \\
 \left. - \lambda \frac{[(1 - \theta) - \lambda \Delta_2] \sqrt{R^{BGA}} + bp_1^{BGA} + b\omega^{BGA}}{2b} \right) \\
 - \frac{(1 - \eta_2^{BGA})}{2} \left(\frac{V_r^{BGA'} \rho_1}{\eta_2^{BGA}} \right)^2 - \frac{\eta_1^{BGA}}{2} \left(\frac{V_r^{BGA'} \rho_2}{1 - \eta_1^{BGA}} \right)^2 \\
 \left. + V_m^{BGA'} \left(\frac{\rho_1^2 V_r^{BGA'}}{\eta_2^{BGA}} + \frac{\rho_2^2 V_r^{BGA'}}{1 - \eta_1^{BGA}} - \delta R^{BGA} \right) \right\}. \quad (79)$$

Taking the first-order conditions with respect to p_1^{BGA} , ω^{BGA} , η_1^{BGA} and η_2^{BGA} to maximize the manufacturer, we obtain

$$p_1^{BGA} = \frac{N_2 \sqrt{R^{BGA}}}{2(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (80)$$

$$\omega^{BGA} = \frac{N_3 \sqrt{R^{BGA}}}{2b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (81)$$

$$\eta_1^{BGA} = \frac{2V_m^{BGA'} - V_r^{BGA'}}{2V_m^{BGA'} + V_r^{BGA'}}, \quad (82)$$

$$\eta_2^{BGA} = \frac{V_R^{BGA'}}{2V_m^{BGA'} + V_r^{BGA'}} \quad (83)$$

Then, substituting (80) and (81) into (76), we obtain

$$p_2^{BGA} = \frac{N_4 \sqrt{R^{BGA}}}{4b(b^2 - 1)}, \quad (84)$$

We look for the linear value functions,

$$V_m^{BGA} = h_1 R^{BGA} + h_2, V_m^{BGA'} = h_1, \quad (85)$$

$$V_r^{BGA} = h_3 R^{BGA} + h_4, V_r^{BGA'} = h_3. \quad (86)$$

where h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4 are the parameters. Substituting (77)-(78) and (80)-(84) into HJB equations and simultaneous equations (85) and (86), we can obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} &4bN_2(b^2 - 1)\theta - 2b^2N_2^2 + N_2N_4 + 4(b^2 - 1)(1 - \theta)N_3 - N_3N_4 + 2N_2N_3 \\ &\quad + 8b(b^2 - 1)^2\Delta_1 - 4b\lambda\Delta_1N_2(b^2 - 1) - 2\Delta_1\lambda N_4(b^2 - 1) \\ &= 8b(b^2 - 1)^2(r + \delta)h_1, \end{aligned} \quad (87)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &-(1 - \eta_1^2)^2 h_3^2 \rho_1^2 (1 - \eta_2)(1 - \eta_1) - \eta_2^2 \eta_1 h_3^2 \rho_2^2 + 2\eta_2(1 - \eta_1)h_1 h_3 \rho_1^2 \\ &\quad + 2(1 - \eta_1)\eta_2^2 h_1 h_3 \rho_2^2 = 2rh_2\eta_2^2(1 - \eta_1^2), \end{aligned} \quad (88)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &4(b^2 - 1)(N_4 - 2N_3)(1 - \theta) - N_4(N_4 - 2N_3) + 2N_2(N_4 - 2N_3) + 16b(b^2 - 1)^2\Delta_2 \\ &\quad - 8b\Delta_2N_2\lambda(b^2 - 1) - 4\Delta_2N_4\lambda(b^2 - 1) \\ &= 16b(b^2 - 1)^2(r + \delta)h_3, \end{aligned} \quad (89)$$

$$h_3^2 \rho_2^2 \eta_2 + h_3^2 \rho_1^2 (1 - \eta_1) = 2rh_4\eta_2(1 - \eta_1). \quad (90)$$

simultaneous equations (87)-(90), we can easily obtain the parameters h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4 . And inserting h_1 and h_3 into (77)-(78) and (82)-(83), respectively, we can easily get

$$\begin{aligned} &\mu_1^{BGA} \\ &\rho_1 \left(\begin{array}{l} -8b^2N_2^2 - 8N_3 + 8b^2N_3 + 6N_2N_3 - 4N_4 + 4b^2N_4 + 6N_2N_4 - 2N_3N_4 - N_4^2 \\ -16bN_2\theta + 16b^3N_2\theta + 8N_3\theta - 8b^2N_3\theta + 4N_4\theta - 4b^2N_4\theta + 32b \Delta 1 \\ -64b^3 \Delta 1 + 32b^5 \Delta 1 + 16b\lambda \Delta 1 - 16b^3\lambda \Delta 1 + 8N_4\lambda \Delta 1 - 8b^2N_4\lambda \Delta 1 + 16b \Delta 2 \\ -32b^3 \Delta 2 + 16b^5 \Delta 2 + 8bN_2\lambda \Delta 2 - 8b^3N_2\lambda \Delta 2 + 4N_4\lambda \Delta 2 - 4b^2N_4\lambda \Delta 2 \end{array} \right) \\ &= \frac{\quad}{2}, \end{aligned} \quad (91)$$

$$\mu_2^{BGA} = \frac{\rho_2 \left(\begin{array}{l} -8b^2N_2^2 - 8N_3 + 8b^2N_3 + 6N_2N_3 - 4N_4 + 4b^2N_4 + 6N_2N_4 - 2N_3N_4 - N_4^2 \\ -16bN_2\theta + 16b^3N_2\theta + 8N_3\theta - 8b^2N_3\theta + 4N_4\theta - 4b^2N_4\theta + 32b \Delta_1 \\ -64b^3 \Delta_1 + 32b^5 \Delta_1 + 16b\lambda \Delta_1 - 16b^3\lambda \Delta_1 + 8N_4\lambda \Delta_1 - 8b^2N_4\lambda \Delta_1 + 16b \Delta_2 \\ -32b^3 \Delta_2 + 16b^5 \Delta_2 + 8bN_2\lambda \Delta_2 - 8b^3N_2\lambda \Delta_2 + 4N_4\lambda \Delta_2 - 4b^2N_4\lambda \Delta_2 \end{array} \right)}{2}, \quad (92)$$

$$\eta_1^{BGA} = \frac{\left(\begin{array}{l} -8b^2N_2^2 - 24N_3 + 24b^2N_3 + 10N_2N_3 + 4N_4 - 4b^2N_4 + 2N_2N_4 - 6N_3N_4 \\ +N_4^2 - 16bN_2\theta + 16b^3N_2\theta + 24N_3\theta - 24b^2N_3\theta - 4N_4\theta + 4b^2N_4\theta + 32b \Delta_1 \\ -64b^3 \Delta_1 + 32b^5 \Delta_1 + 16b\lambda \Delta_1 - 16b^3\lambda \Delta_1 + 8N_4\lambda \Delta_1 - 8b^2N_4\lambda \Delta_1 - 16b \Delta_2 \\ +32b^3 \Delta_2 - 16b^5 \Delta_2 - 8bN_2\lambda \Delta_2 + 8b^3N_2\lambda \Delta_2 - 4N_4\lambda \Delta_2 + 4b^2N_4\lambda \Delta_2 \end{array} \right)}{\left(\begin{array}{l} -8b^2N_2^2 - 8N_3 + 8b^2N_3 + 6N_2N_3 - 4N_4 + 4b^2N_4 + 6N_2N_4 - 2N_3N_4 - N_4^2 \\ -16bN_2\theta + 16b^3N_2\theta + 8N_3\theta - 8b^2N_3\theta + 4N_4\theta - 4b^2N_4\theta + 32b \Delta_1 \\ -64b^3 \Delta_1 + 32b^5 \Delta_1 + 16b\lambda \Delta_1 - 16b^3\lambda \Delta_1 + 8N_4\lambda \Delta_1 - 8b^2N_4\lambda \Delta_1 + 16b \Delta_2 \\ -32b^3 \Delta_2 + 16b^5 \Delta_2 + 8bN_2\lambda \Delta_2 - 8b^3N_2\lambda \Delta_2 + 4N_4\lambda \Delta_2 - 4b^2N_4\lambda \Delta_2 \end{array} \right)}. \quad (93)$$

$$\eta_2^{BGA} = \frac{2 \left(\begin{array}{l} -8N_3 + 8b^2N_3 + 2N_2N_3 + 4N_4 - 4b^2N_4 - 2N_2N_4 - 2N_3N_4 + N_4^2 \\ +8N_3\theta - 8b^2N_3\theta - 4N_4\theta + 4b^2N_4\theta - 16b \Delta_2 + 32b^3 \Delta_2 \\ +16b^5 \Delta_2 + 8bN_2\lambda \Delta_2 - 8b^3N_2\lambda \Delta_2 + 4N_4\lambda \Delta_2 - 4b^2N_4\lambda \Delta_2 \end{array} \right)}{\left(\begin{array}{l} 8b^2N_2^2 + 8N_3 - 8b^2N_3 - 6N_2N_3 + 4N_4 - 4b^2N_4 - 6N_2N_4 + 2N_3N_4 + N_4^2 \\ +16bN_2\theta - 16b^3N_2\theta - 8N_3\theta + 8b^2N_3\theta - 4N_4\theta + 4b^2N_4\theta - 32b \Delta_1 \\ +64b^3 \Delta_1 - 32b^5 \Delta_1 - 16b\lambda \Delta_1 + 16b^3\lambda \Delta_1 - 8N_4\lambda \Delta_1 + 8b^2N_4\lambda \Delta_1 - 16b \Delta_2 \\ +32b^3 \Delta_2 - 16b^5 \Delta_2 - 8bN_2\lambda \Delta_2 + 8b^3N_2\lambda \Delta_2 - 4N_4\lambda \Delta_2 + 4b^2N_4\lambda \Delta_2 \end{array} \right)}. \quad (94)$$

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