Instructions for accessing CIB data from State Bank of Pakistan

The data used in our research “Tracing the Impact of Bank Liquidity Shocks: Evidence from an Emerging Market,” (forthcoming in the American Economic Review) is available from the State Bank of Pakistan. The data set is called “Central Information Bureau” (CIB), and variables used from this data set by our study are described in the data section of our paper. The data can be obtained from the state bank after formal approval and a legal confidentiality agreement with the State Bank of Pakistan.¹

All correspondence for data inquiry should be made directly with the Research Department of the State Bank of Pakistan. Their contact information is given below.²

State Bank of Pakistan
Research department
I.I. Chundrigar Road
Karachi
Pakistan.

Phone: 111-727-111

¹ The terms of the legal contract are similar to confidentiality and non-disclosure requirements required by US Census Bureau and IRS for using individual level data.

² To our knowledge, one other researcher (Bilal Zia, World Bank) has been given independent access to the CIB data by the State Bank. See “Zia, Bilal.” Export Incentives, Financial Constraints, and the (Mis)Allocation of Credit: Micro-Level Evidence from Subsidized Export Loans.” Journal of Financial Economics, Volume 87, Issue 2, February 2008.