U.S. PURCHASERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

PRODUCT

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by no later than INSERT DATE

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The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its review of the **countervailing duty/antidumping duty** order concerning **PRODUCT** from **COUNTRY** (inv. No. **701/731-**TA-**xxx** (Review)). The information requested in the questionnaire is requested under the authority of the Tariff Act of 1930, title VII. This report is mandatory and failure to reply as directed can result in a subpoena or other order to compel the submission of records or information in your possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)). Further information on this questionnaire can be obtained from **ECONOMIST** (202-205-**xxxx, NAME@usitc.gov**).

Name of firm

City			State	Zip Cod	le		
World Wide V	Veb address						
Has your firm pu foreign) at any ti		DUCT (as defined in ry 1, 2008?	the instruction	booklet) from	m any source (dor	mestic or	
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PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

The questions in this questionnaire have been reviewed with market participants to ensure that issues of concern are adequately addressed and that data requests are sufficient, meaningful, and as limited as possible. Public reporting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average 40 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering the data needed, and completing and reviewing the questionnaire. Send comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20436.

I-1a.	OMB statisticsPlease report the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of
	preparing the reply to this questionnaire and completing the form.

Hours	Dollars

- I-1b. <u>OMB feedback</u>.--We are interested in any comments you may have for improving this questionnaire in general or the clarity of specific questions. Please attach such comments to your response or send them to the above address.
- I-2. Establishments covered.--Provide the name and address of establishment(s) covered by this questionnaire (see page 3 of the instruction booklet for reporting guidelines). If your firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol.

 I-3. Ownership.--Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm?

 No Yes--List the following information.

 Extent of ownership

 Address

PART I.--GENERAL INFORMATION--Continued

☐ No	YesLis	t the following information.	
Firm name		Address	<u>Affiliation</u>
domestic or f COUNTRY other than CO	oreign, that are into the United DUNTRY to th	engaged in importing PROI States or that are engaged in e United States?	rour firm have any related firms, eDUCT from countries other than a exporting PRODUCT from countries.
☐ No	∐ YesLis	t the following information.	
Firm name ar	id country	Address	<u>Affiliation</u>
	e production of		rms, either domestic or foreign, th
□ No	∐ YesLis	U	
_	∐ YesLis	Address	<u>Affiliation</u>
□ No	∐ YesLis	· ·	<u>Affiliation</u>
□ No Firm name Business pla	n Does your c	Address ompany or any related firm	Affiliation have a business plan or any interrarket conditions for PRODUCT ?

PART II.--PURCHASES

<u>Contact information</u>.-- Please identify the responsible individual and the manner by which Commission staff may contact that individual regarding the confidential information submitted in this questionnaire.

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	
Fax	

II-1. Purchases.—

(a) Please estimate your firm's total purchases of **PRODUCT** in 2013.

Quantity <mark>(units)</mark>	
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(b) Estimate the percentage of the quantity of your firm's purchases of **PRODUCT** in 2013 that were produced in each of the specified countries.

PRODUCT produced in:	Share of quantity of 2013 purchases
United States	%
Country A	%
Country B	%
All other countries: ¹	%
Total	100 %
¹ Please identify these countries:	

${\bf PART~II.--} \underline{{\bf PURCHASES}}\text{--}Continued$

II-2.	Purchas	nases before and after order. (This q only for first reviews)						
	(a) Did your firm purchase PRODUCT from COUNTRY before 2008?							3?
	ĺ	☐ Noskip to (c) ☐ Yes						
		If yes, has your pattern of purchasing PRODUCT from COUNTRY changed since 2008?						
		Yes	s, we discon s, we reduce s, but we ch	ed purchases	ases from C from COUN ttern of purc	OUNTRY NTRY beca	because of the order	
		we We No,	did not pur our pattern s, we increase, but we cha	chase from n of purchasingsed purchase	Y) changed consubject for ig is essential is from nonsittern of purc	oreign source ally unchangubject count chases from	es before or ged. tries because	after the order. of the order. countries for reasons
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II-3.	3. Changes in purchasing patterns Please indicate how the relative levels of your firm's purchases of PRODUCT from different sources (both domestic and foreign) have changed since January 1, 2008.							
	Sourch		Did not purchase	Decreased	Increased	Constant	Fluctuated	Explanation for trend
	United	States						
	COUN	TRY						
	All ot count							

PART II.--PURCHASES--Continued

11-4.	Purchases from one country onlyIf your firm has purchased PRODUCT from only one
	country, please explain the reasons for doing so.

II-5. <u>Supplier identification.</u>—Please list your firm's <u>FIVE</u> largest suppliers for <u>PRODUCT</u> since January 1, 2008. Also, provide the share of the quantity of your firm's total purchases of <u>PRODUCT</u> that each of these suppliers accounted for in 2013.

No.	Supplier's name	City and state	Share of quantity of 2013 purchases
1			%
2			%
3			%
4			%
5			%

PART III.-- MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES

III-1.	Firm typeWhich of the following best describes your firm as a purchaser of PRODUCT
	(check all that apply)?

End user (type 1)	End user (type 2)	Distributor	Other	Describe other

If your firm is a distributor of PRODUCT, please answer questions III-2 and III-3.

III-2. <u>Competition for sales.</u>—If you are a <u>distributor</u> or <u>reseller</u> of **PRODUCT**, do you compete for sales to your customers with the manufacturers or importers from which you purchase **PRODUCT**?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe.

III-3.	<u>Types of customers.</u> If your firm is a <u>distributor</u> or <u>reseller</u> of PRODUCT , what are the majo types of consumers to which you sell PRODUCT ?

PART III.-- MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES--Continued

If your firm is an end user of PRODUCT, please answer questions III-4 and III-5.

III-4. <u>End uses.</u>--List the top 3 products you make using **PRODUCT** and estimate the percent of your total production cost that is accounted for by **PRODUCT** and by other inputs (such as labor, energy, and other raw materials).

	Share of total cost in each of the product(s) you produce accounted for by					
Product(s) you produce	PRODUCT		Other inputs		Total	
	%	+	%	=	100%	
	%	+	%	=	100%	
	%	+	%	=	100%	

III-5.	Demand	for	end	use	prod	<u>lucts</u>	

 •	an <u>end user</u> of PROPUCT change	·	demand for your firm's 1, 2008?	s final products
Increased	No change	Decreased	Fluctuated	

(b) Has this had any effect on your firm's demand for **PRODUCT**?

No	Yes	Explain

PART III.-- MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES--Continued

III-6.	<u>Changes in end uses.</u> Have there been any changes in the end uses of PRODUCT since
	January 1, 2008? Do you anticipate any future changes?

	Changes in end uses	No	Yes				Explain
	Changes since 2008						
	Anticipated changes						
7.	SubstitutesCan	other pi					UCT?
7.	SubstitutesCan] Yes-	-Please fill out	the tal	ole. ve ch	
7.		End	Yes-		the tal	ole. ve ch	anges in the price of this substitute ected the price for PRODUCT?
7.	□ No	End	Yes-	-Please fill out	the tal	ole. /e ch	anges in the price of this substitute ected the price for PRODUCT?
7.	□ No	End	Yes-	-Please fill out	the tal	ole. /e ch	anges in the price of this substitut ected the price for PRODUCT?

III-8. <u>Changes in substitutes.--</u> Have there been any changes in the number or types of products that can be substituted for **PRODUCT** since January 1, 2008? Do you anticipate any future changes?

Changes in substitutes	No	Yes	Explain
Changes since 2008			
Anticipated changes			

PART III.-- MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES--Continued

III-9. **Demand trends.--** Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for **PRODUCT** has changed since January 1, 2008, and how you anticipate demand will change in the future. Explain any trends and describe the principal factors that have affected, and that you anticipate will affect, these changes in demand.

Market	Overall increase	No change	Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explanation and factors
			Dema	and since 200	8
Within the United States					
Outside the United States					
			Anticipat	ed future den	nand
Within the United States					
Outside the United States					

- III-10. Market studies.--Please provide as a separate attachment to this request any studies, surveys, etc. that you are aware of that quantify and/or otherwise discuss PRODUCT supply (including production capacity and capacity utilization) and demand in (1) the United States, (2) each of the other major producing/consuming countries, including COUNTRY, and (3) the world as a whole. Of particular interest is such data from 2008 to the present and forecasts for the future.
- III-11. Changes in factors affecting supply.--Have any changes occurred in any other factors affecting supply (e.g., changes in availability or prices of energy or labor; transportation conditions; production capacity and/or methods of production; technology; export markets; or alternative production opportunities) that affected the availability of U.S.-produced **PRODUCT** in the U.S. market since January 1, 2008?

No	Yes	Explain

PART III.-- MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES--Continued

III-12.	Importance of purchasing domestic product Please fill out the table below, estimating the
	percentage of your firm's total 2013 purchases of PRODUCT that required PRODUCT
	produced in the United States.

	Estimated percentage of your firm's total 2013 purchases of PRODUCT
Purchases that did not require domestic product	%
Purchases of domestic product that were required by law or regulation (e.g., government purchases under "Buy American" provisions)	%
Purchases of domestic product that were not required by law or regulation, but were required by your customers	%
Purchases of domestic product that were required for other reasons (explain:)	%
	100 %

Ш-13.	Conditions of competition	

No

Yes

(a) Is the PRODUCT market subject to business cycles (other than general economy-wide conditions) and/or other conditions of competition distinctive to PRODUCT ?							
 No (skip to question III-14.) Yes-Business cycles (e.g. seasonal business). Yes-Other distinctive conditions of competition. If yes, describe below.							
Business cycles							
Other conditions of competition							
(b) If yes, have there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of competition for PRODUCT since January 1, 2008?							

If yes, describe.

		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	how yo	sometimes, discubur firm/customers the producer and remation is importa
Your	firm						
Your custo	mers						
		CT you p	urchase?			If at least how yo	on the country of ori
		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	this info	rmation is importa
Your	firm						
Your custo	mers						
. <u>Purcha</u>	asing fre	equency					
(a)	How fr	equently o	lo you make	e purchases of I	PRODUC	T (check on	ne)?
	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly	Annual	ly Other	If other, specify
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(b)	Do you	expect th	is purchasir	ng pattern to cha	ange in th	e next two y	ears?

III-17. Number of suppliers contacted.--How many suppliers do you generally contact before making a purchase? Between _____ and _____ firms.

PART	III <u>N</u>	IARKET	CHAR	ACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES Continued		
III-18.	<u>Suppli</u>	er negoti	ations	-		
	(a)	Do purchases of PRODUCT usually involve negotiations between supplier and purchaser?				
If yes, please describe these negotiations, noting whether purchasers generally quote competing prices as part of the negotiation process.						
	(b)			tend to vary its purchases from a given supplier within a specified time the price offered for that period?		
		No	Yes	If yes, specify the time period.		
III-19.	Change in suppliersHave you changed suppliers since 2008?					
		No	Yes	If yes, please list the supplier(s), whether the firm was added or dropped, the reasons for the change, and how frequently you change suppliers.		
III-20.	New si	uppliers.				
	(a) Are you aware of any new suppliers, either foreign or domestic, that have entered the market since January 1, 2008?					
		No	Yes	If yes, please identify the firms and indicate how you became aware of them.		
	(b)	Do you	expect n	new PRODUCT suppliers to enter the U.S. market?		
		No	Yes	If yes, please provide details.		

PART III.-- MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES--Continued

III-21.	Supplie	er qualific	r qualification				
	(a)		Do you require your suppliers to be or to become certified or qualified to sell PRODUCT to your firm?				
		☐ No	Yes- Please answer (b) and (c).				
	(b) Please provide a general description of the certification or qualification process. Brie describe the factors that you consider when qualifying a new supplier (<i>e.g.</i> , quality product, reliability of supplier, <i>etc.</i>).						
	(c)	How long	does it take to qualify a new supplier?days.				
III-22.	<u>Failure to certify</u> Since January 1, 2008, have any domestic or foreign producers failed in their attempts to certify or qualify their PRODUCT with your firm or have any producers lost their approved status?						
	No	Yes	If yes, please identify these firms, the countries where they are located, and the reasons why they failed the certification/qualification.				
III-23.	 Major purchasing factorsPlease list, in order of their importance, the three major factors generally considered by your firm in deciding from whom to purchase PRODUCT for any one order (examples include availability, extension of credit, contracts, price, quality, range of supplier's product line, traditional supplier, etc.). 						
	2.						
	3.						
	Please	e list any o	ther factors that are very important in your purchase decisions:				

PART III.-- MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES--Continued

III-24. <u>Purchasing factors</u>.--For the factors listed below, please rate each in terms of its importance in your firm's purchasing decisions for **PRODUCT**.

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not important
Availability			
Delivery terms			
Delivery time			
Discounts offered			
Extension of credit			
Minimum quantity requirements			
Packaging			
Price			
Product consistency			
Product range			
Quality exceeds industry standards			
Quality meets industry standards			
Reliability of supply			
Technical support/service			
U.S. transportation costs			

PART III.-- MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES--Continued

III-25.	Quality characteristicsWhat characteristics does your firm consider when determining the quality of PRODUCT ?						
III-26.	Frequency of decisions based on priceHow often does your firm purchase the PRODUCT that is offered at the lowest price?						
	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never			
III-27.	Price leaders. — A price leader is defined as (1) one or more firms that initiate a price change, either upward or downward, that is followed by other firms, or (2) one or more firms that have a significant impact on prices. A price leader is not necessarily the lowest-priced supplier. Please list the names of any firms you considered price leaders in the PRODUCT market since January 1, 2008. Describe how the firm(s) exhibited price leadership.						

(1) Activities of your firm

(2) Entire U.S. market

PART III.-- MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES--Continued

III-28.	Changes in U.S. industry					
	(a)	Please identify and discuss any improvements/changes in the U.S. PRODUCT industry since January 1, 2008 and explain the factors, including the order(s) under review, that were responsible for each improvement/change.				
	(b)	Please discuss any improvements/changes that you anticipate in the future in the U.S. PRODUCT industry. Identify the time period and causes for these improvements/changes.				
III-29.	counte COUN counte	of revocationWhat do you think will be the likely effects of any revocation of the rvailing duty order/antidumping duty order for imports of PRODUCT from TRY? As appropriate, please discuss any potential effects of revocation of the rvailing duty order/antidumping duty order on (1) the future activities of your firm and U.S. market as a whole. Please note the future time period to which you are referring.				

PART IV.-- PRODUCT COMPARISIONS

IV-1. <u>Country knowledge</u>.--Please indicate the countries of origin for **PRODUCT** for which your firm has actual marketing/pricing knowledge.

United States	COUNTRY	COUNTRY	Other countries (specify)

IV-2. <u>Interchangeability by country-pair</u>.--Is **PRODUCT** produced in the United States and in other countries interchangeable (*i.e.*, can they physically be used in the same applications)?

Please indicate A, F, S, N, or 0 in the table below:

A = the products from a specified country-pair are *always* interchangeable

F = the products are *frequently* interchangeable

S = the products are *sometimes* interchangeable

N = the products are *never* interchangeable

0 = no familiarity with products from a specified country-pair

Country-pair	COUNTRY 1	COUNTRY 2	COUNTRY 3	Other countries				
United States								
COUNTRY 1								
COUNTRY 2								
COUNTRY 3								
	For any country-pair producing PRODUCT that is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>never</i> interchangeable, please explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use:							
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PART IV .-- PRODUCT COMPARISIONS -- Continued

IV-3. **Factors other than price.--**Are differences other than price (*e.g.*, quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, *etc.*) between **PRODUCT** produced in the United States and in other countries a significant factor in your firm's purchases of the products?

Please indicate A, F, S, N, or 0 in the table below:

A = such differences are *always* significant

F = such differences are *frequently* significant

S = such differences are *sometimes* significant

N =such differences are *never* significant

0 = no familiarity with products from a specified country-pair

Country-pair	COUNTRY 1	COUNTRY 2	COUNTRY 3	Other countries				
United States								
COUNTRY 1								
COUNTRY 2								
COUNTRY 3								
For any country-pair for which factors other than price always or frequently are a significant factor in your firm's purchases of PRODUCT, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:								

PART IV.-- PRODUCT COMPARISIONS--Continued

IV-4.	Availability of merchandiseAre certain grades/types/sizes of PRODUCT available from only
	a single source (domestic or foreign, including both subject and nonsubject countries)?

No	Yes	If yes, please identify the source and the grade/type/size.

IV-5.	Choice of product not based on priceIf you purchased PRODUCT from one source although a comparable product was available from another source at a lower price, please explain your reasons for doing so (please specify by country, including the United States and both subject and nonsubject foreign countries). Possibilities might include transaction characteristics such as length of time to fill orders, minimum order size, reliability of supply, etc.

PART IV .-- PRODUCT COMPARISIONS -- Continued

IV-6. <u>Factor country comparisons.</u>--For the factors listed below, please rate how **PRODUCT** produced in each country you identified in your response to the first question in Part IV compares with **PRODUCT** produced in each of the other countries you identified (including the United States and both subject and nonsubject foreign countries). **Duplicate (copy and paste) this table to account for a reasonable number of country comparisons given the number of countries subject to the review and delete this note.**

	product from United States compared to product from COUNTRY 1		product from United States compared to product from COUNTRY 2			product from COUNTRY 1 compared to product from COUNTRY 2			
	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability									
Delivery terms									
Delivery time									
Discounts offered									
Extension of credit									
Minimum quantity requirements									
Packaging									
Price ¹									
Product consistency									
Product range									
Quality exceeds industry standards									
Quality meets industry standards									
Reliability of supply									
Technical support/service									
U.S. transportation costs ¹									

¹ A rating of superior on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

PART IV.-- PRODUCT COMPARISIONS--Continued

IV-6. *Continued.*

	product from United States compared to product from Nonsubject countries			product from COUNTRY 1 compared to product from Nonsubject countries			product from COUNTRY 2 compared to product from Nonsubject countries		
	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability									
Delivery terms									
Delivery time									
Discounts offered									
Extension of credit									
Minimum quantity requirements									
Packaging									
Price ¹									
Product consistency									
Product range									
Quality exceeds industry standards									
Quality meets industry standards									
Reliability of supply									
Technical support/service									
U.S. transportation costs ¹									

¹ A rating of superior on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

PART IV.-- PRODUCT COMPARISIONS--Continued

	Source	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Rarely or never	Don't know		
Unite	ed States							
COU	NTRY 1							
COU	NTRY 2							
NS COUNTRY 1								
Othe	r:							
Othe	r:							
(b)	from Country 1. Price of U.Sproduced PRODUCT has changed relative to the price of PRODUCT from Country 2. If the price of U.Sproduced PRODUCT has changed relative to the price of PRODUCT from COUNTRY, the price of U.Sproduced PRODUCT is now relatively							
	Higher Lower – than those from Country 1.							
	Higher] Lower – than tl	hose from Cou	untry 2.				
not p	r explanationsIf yo rovide a narrative resp provided below.							