INSTRUCTION BOOKLET

GENERAL INFORMATION, INSTRUCTIONS, AND DEFINITIONS FOR COMMISSION FOREIGN PRODUCER/EXPORTER QUESTIONNAIRES

PRESSURE SENSITIVE PLASTIC TAPE FROM ITALY
Investigation No. AA1921-167 (Third Review)

Further information.--If you have any questions concerning the enclosed questionnaire(s) or other matters related to this review, you may contact the following member of the Commission's staff (Fax 202-205-3205):

***Edward Petronzio**, investigator (202-205-3176; E-mail edward.petronzio@usitc.gov) regarding general questions and trade and related information; and*

***Clark Workman**, economist (202-205-3248; E-mail clark.workman@usitc.gov) regarding market related information.*

GENERAL INFORMATION

Background.-- On October 21, 1977, the Department of the Treasury issued an antidumping duty finding on imports of pressure sensitive plastic tape from Italy (42 F.R. 56110). Following first five-year reviews by the Department of Commerce ("Commerce") and the U.S. International Trade Commission ("Commission"), effective February 17, 1999, Commerce issued a continuation of the antidumping duty finding on imports of pressure sensitive plastic tape from Italy (64 F.R. 51515, September 23, 1999). Following second five-year reviews by Commerce and the Commission, effective June 25, 2004, Commerce issued a second continuation of the antidumping duty finding on imports of pressure sensitive plastic tape from Italy (69 F.R. 35584). On May 1, 2009, the Commission instituted a third review of the antidumping duty finding concerning Italy pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)) (the Act) to determine whether revocation of the finding would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to the domestic industry within a reasonably foreseeable time (74 F.R. 20340). If the Commission and Commerce make an affirmative determination, the finding will remain in place. If the Commission or Commerce makes a negative determination, Commerce will revoke the finding.

Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this review are available at http://www.usitc.gov/trade_remedy/731_ad_701_cvd/investigations/2009/pressure_sensitive_tape_from_italy/reviewphase.htm. Address all correspondence to the United States International Trade Commission, Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired individuals can obtain information regarding this review via the Commission's TDD terminal (202-205-1810).

Due date of questionnaire(s).--Return the completed questionnaire(s) to the United States International Trade Commission by no later than **November 6, 2009**. Although the enclosed postpaid envelope may be used to return the completed questionnaire, use of an overnight mail service may be necessary to ensure that your response actually reaches the Commission by **November 6, 2009**. If you do not use the enclosed envelope, please make sure the completed questionnaire is sent to the attention of Edward Petronzio. **Return only one copy of the completed questionnaire(s), but please keep a copy for your records so that you can refer to it if the Commission staff contacts you with any questions during the course of the review.**

Service of questionnaire response(s).--In the event that your firm is a party to this review, you are required to serve a copy of the questionnaire(s), once completed, on parties to the proceeding that are subject to administrative protective order (see 19 CFR § 207.7). A list of such parties is maintained by the Commission's Secretary and may be obtained by calling 202-205-1803. A certificate of service must accompany the copy of the completed questionnaire(s) you submit (see 19 CFR § 207.7).

GENERAL INFORMATION—*Continued*

Confidentiality.--The commercial and financial data furnished in response to the enclosed questionnaire(s) that reveal the individual operations of your firm will be treated as confidential by the Commission to the extent that such data are not otherwise available to the public and will not be disclosed except as may be required by law (see 19 U.S.C. § 1677f). Such confidential information will not be published in a manner that will reveal the individual operations of your firm; however, nonnumerical characterizations of numerical business proprietary information (such as discussion of trends) will be treated as confidential business information only at the request of the submitter for good cause shown.

Verification**.--The information submitted in the enclosed questionnaire(s) is subject to audit and verification by the Commission. To facilitate possible verification of data, please keep all your workpapers and supporting documents used in the preparation of the questionnaire response(s).**

Release of information.--The information provided by your firm in response to the questionnaire(s), as well as any other business proprietary information submitted by your firm to the Commission in connection with the review, may become subject to, and released under, the administrative protective order provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1677f) and section 207.7 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR § 207.7). This means that certain lawyers and other authorized individuals may temporarily be given access to the information for use in connection with this review or other import-injury investigations or reviews conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise; those individuals would be subject to severe penalties if the information were divulged to unauthorized individuals.

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer all questions.--Do not leave any question or section blank unless a questionnaire expressly directs you to skip over certain questions or sections. If the answer to any question is "none," write "none." **If information is not readily available from your records in exactly the form requested, furnish carefully prepared estimates--designated as such by the letter "E"--and explain the basis of your estimates**. Answers to questions and any necessary comments or explanations should be supplied in the space provided or on separate sheets attached to the appropriate page of the questionnaire(s). If your firm is completing more than one questionnaire in connection with this review (i.e., a producer, importer, purchaser, and/or foreign producer questionnaire), you need not respond to duplicated questions in the questionnaires.

Consolidate all establishments in Italy.--Report the requested data for your establishment(s) located in Italy. **Firms operating more than one establishment should combine the data for all establishments into a single report.**

INSTRUCTIONS--***Continued***

Filing instructions.—Questionnaires may be filed either in paper form or electronically.

OPTIONS FOR FILING IN PAPER FORM

• **Overnight mail service**.—Mail to the following address:

United States International Trade Commission
Office of Investigations, Room 615
500 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20024

• **Fax**.—Fax to 202.205.3205.

• **U.S. mail**.—Mail to the address above, but use zip code 20436. *This option is not recommended. U.S. mail sent to government offices undergoes additional processing to screen for hazardous materials; this additional processing results in substantial delays in delivery.*

OPTIONS FOR FILING ELECTRONICALLY

This questionnaire is available as a "fillable" form in MS Word format on the Commission's website at http://wwwqa.usitc.gov/trade_remedy/731_ad_701_cvd/investigations/2009/pressure_sensitive_tape_from_italy/reviewphase.htm. ***Please do not attempt to modify the format or permissions of the questionnaire document***. You may complete the questionnaire electronically, print it out, and submit it in paper form as described above, or you may submit it electronically through one of the following means:

• **Compact disc (CD)**.—Copy your questionnaire onto a CD, include a signed certification page (page 1) (either in paper form or scanned PDF copied onto CD), and mail to the address above. *It is strongly recommended that you use an* ***overnight mail service****. U.S. mail sent to government offices undergoes additional processing which not only results in substantial delays in delivery but may also damage CDs.*

• **E-mail**.—E-mail your questionnaire to the investigator identified on page 1 of the Instruction Booklet; include a scanned PDF of the signed certification page (page 1). Type the following in the e-mail subject line: BPI Questionnaire, Pressure Sensitive Plastic Tape. *Please note that submitting your questionnaire by e-mail may subject your firm's business proprietary information to transmission over an unsecure environment and to possible disclosure. If you choose this option, the Commission warns you that any risk involving possible disclosure of such information is assumed by the submitter and not by the Commission.*

Note: If you are a party to the review, and service of the questionnaire is required, such service should be made in paper form.

DEFINITIONS

Pressure sensitive plastic tape.—Pressure sensitive plastic tape measuring over 1-3/8 inches in width and not exceeding 4 mils in thickness. Pressure sensitive plastic tape is classified under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTS") subheadings 3919.10.20 and 3919.90.50. Pressure sensitive plastic tape is a plastic film-backed tape with an adhesive on one side that remains permanently tacky at room temperatures, which is used primarily to seal cartons or corrugated boxes. Pressure sensitive plastic tape is also used for masking applications, insulating electrical wires and cables, and for certain sanitary, medical, or health-related functions.

Unit of measure—Report all quantities in units of **1,000 square yards**.
Square feet to square yards: Divide by 9 (9 square feet = 1 square yard)
Square meters to square yards: Multiply by 1.196 (1 square meter = 1.196 square yards)

Firm.--An individual proprietorship, partnership, joint venture, association, corporation (including any subsidiary corporation), business trust, cooperative, trustee in bankruptcy, or receiver under decree of any court.

Related firm.--A firm that your firm solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled; a firm that solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled your firm; and/or a firm that was solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled by a firm that also solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled your firm.

Establishment.--Each facility of a firm in Italy involved in the production of pressure sensitive plastic tape (as defined above), including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.

United States.--For purposes of this review, the 50 States, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the District of Columbia.

Importer.--Any person or firm engaged, either directly or through a parent company or subsidiary, in importing pressure sensitive plastic tape (as defined above) into the United States from a foreign manufacturer or through its selling agent.

Average production capacity.--The level of production that your establishment(s) could reasonably have expected to attain during the specified periods. Assume normal operating conditions (i.e., using equipment and machinery in place and ready to operate; normal operating levels (hours per week/weeks per year) and time for downtime, maintenance, repair, and cleanup; and a typical or representative product mix).

Production.--All production in your establishment(s) in Italy, including production consumed internally within your firm.

DEFINITIONS—*Continued*

Shipments.--Shipments of products produced in your establishment(s) in Italy.

Shipment quantities.—Quantities reported should be net of returns.

Shipment values.—Values reported should be net values (i.e., gross sales values less all discounts, allowances, rebates, prepaid freight, and the value of returned goods) in U.S. dollars, f.o.b. your point of shipment in Italy.

Home market commercial shipments.--Shipments, other than internal consumption and transfers to related firms, within Italy.

Home market internal consumption/transfers to related firms.--Shipments made to related firms in Italy, including product consumed internally by your firm.

Export shipments.--Shipments to destinations outside Italy, including shipments to related firms.

Inventories.--Finished goods inventory, not raw materials or work-in-progress.