#### U.S. PURCHASERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

#### TAPERED ROLLER BEARINGS FROM CHINA

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by no later than May 1, 2012

See page 4 of the Instruction Booklet for filing instructions.

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its review of the antidumping duty order concerning tapered roller bearings ("TRBs") from China (Inv. No. 731-TA-344 (Third 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 James Fetzer (202-708-5403, james.fetzer@usitc.gov).

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World Wide Web a						
Has your firm purchase any time since January		the instruction book	klet) <u>from an</u>	y source (dome	stic or foreig	gn) at
NO (Sign the	e certification below and p	promptly return only t	his page of th	e questionnaire to	the Commis	ssion)
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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.

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questionnaire in	kWe are interested in any comments you man general or the clarity of specific questions. It did them to the above address.	
questionnaire (s	s coveredProvide the name and address of see page 3 of the instruction booklet for report, please specify the stock exchange and tradin	ting guidelines). If your firm is
OwnershipIs	s your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any  YesList the following information.	other firm?
Firm name	Address	Extent of ownership
domestic or for	ECT importers/exportersDoes your firm heign, that are engaged in importing TRBs from exporting TRBs from China to the United Sta	n China into the United States or tha
Firm name	Address	<u>Affiliation</u>

# PART I.--GENERAL INFORMATION--Continued

	List the following information.	
Firm name and country	<u>Address</u>	Affiliation
Related producersDoe engaged in the production		rms, either domestic or foreign, the
□ No □ Yes	List the following information.	
Firm name	Address	<u>Affiliation</u>
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Business planDoes you documents that describe,	discuss, or analyze expected ma	arket conditions for TRBs?

#### PART II.--PURCHASES

This investigation on TRBs also covers wheel hub assemblies. If your response to any question about TRBs would differ with respect to wheel hub assemblies as compared to other types of TRBs, please so state with particularity and, if differences exist, provide any details with respect to wheel hub assemblies separately from other types of TRBs.

<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.

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Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	
Fax	

II-1a. **Purchases.--**Report, as indicated below, your firm's purchases (either directly or through a sales agent or broker) of **TRBs other than wheel hub assemblies**. Report based on delivery date, not order date.

Quantity (in )	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011		
			2006	2009	2010	2011		
Purchases of TRBs other than wheel hub assemblies produced in								
The United States:								
Quantity								
Value								
Subject China (other than Shanghai GBC, Hailin, or Wafangdian):  Quantity								
•		+						
Value								
Nonsubject China (Shanghai GBC, Hailin, or Wafangdian):  Quantity								
Value								
All other countries: <sup>1</sup> Quantity								
Value								
<sup>1</sup> Please identify these countries:	1	•	,	,	ı	_		

# PART II.--PURCHASES--Continued

II-1b. **Purchases.**--Report, as indicated below, your firm's purchases (either directly or through a sales agent or broker) of **wheel hub assemblies**. Report based on delivery date, not order date.

ltem	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
Purchases of wheel hub assemblies produced in							
The United States:  Quantity							
Value							
Subject China (other than Shanghai GBC, Hailin, or Wafangdian):  Quantity							
Value							
Nonsubject China (Shanghai GBC, Hailin, or Wafangdian): Quantity							
Value							
All other countries: <sup>1</sup> Quantity							
Value							

#### PART II.--PURCHASES--Continued

II-2. <u>Changes in purchasing patterns.--</u> Please indicate how the relative levels of your firm's purchases of TRBs from different sources (both domestic and foreign) have changed since 2006.

Source of purchases	Did not purchase		Increased	Constant	Fluctuated	Explanation for trend
United States						
China						
All other countries						
Purchases from one country onlyIf your firm has purchased TRBs from only one country, please explain the reasons for doing so.						

II-4. **Supplier identification.--** Please list your firm's **FIVE** largest suppliers for TRBs since 2006. Also, provide the share of the quantity of your firm's total purchases of TRBs that each of these suppliers accounted for in 2011.

No.	Supplier's name	City and state	Share of quantity of 2011 purchases
1			%
2			%
3			%
4			%
5			%

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

<u>Firm type.</u> Which of the following best describes your firm as a purchaser of TRBs (check all that apply)?
☐ End user ☐ Distributor ☐ Other (Describe:)
<u>Competition for sales.</u> If you are a <u>distributor</u> or <u>reseller</u> of TRBs, do you compete for sales to your customers with the manufacturers or importers from which you purchase TRBs?
☐ No ☐ YesPlease describe
<u>Types of customers.</u> If your firm is a <u>distributor</u> or <u>reseller</u> of TRBs, what are the major types of consumers to which you sell TRBs?
End uses If your firm is an and user of TPRs, list in order of quantity of TPRs consumed the

III-4. <u>End uses.--</u>If your firm is an end user of TRBs, list in order of quantity of TRBs consumed, the top 3 products for which your firm purchases TRBs as a component part or input. Please indicate what percentage of the <u>total cost</u> is accounted for by TRBs and other inputs.

	Share of total cost in you produce a		
Product(s) you produce	TRBs (percent)	Other inputs (percent)	Total
	%	%	100%
	%	%	100%
	%	%	100%

Demai	d for end use products								
(a)							emano	d for your firm's final [	products
	Increase	ed	No ch	ange	Decre	ease	ed	Fluctuated	
(b)	Has this ha	ad any e	ffect o	on your fir	m's der	nanc	l for T	ΓRBs?	
	No	Yes						Explain	
					ny chan	nges	in the	e end uses of TRBs since	ce 2006? Do
Chan	ges in end uses	No	Yes					Explain	
Changes since 2006									
Substi		other pi	_						
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#### PART III.-- MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES--Continued

III-8. <u>Changes in substitutes.--</u> Have there been any changes in the number or types of products that can be substituted for TRBs since 2006? Do you anticipate any future changes?

Changes in substitutes	No	Yes	Explain
Changes since 2006			
Anticipated changes			

III-9. **Demand trends.--** Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for TRBs has changed since January 1, 2006, and how you anticipate demand will change in the future. Describe the principal factors that have affected, and that you anticipate will affect, these changes in demand.

Market	Increase	No Change	Decrease	Fluctuate	Factors	
Demand since 2006						
Within the United States						
Outside the United States						
			Anticipat	ed future de	emand	
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 TRBs supply (including production capacity and capacity utilization) and demand in (1) the United States, (2) each of the other major producing/consuming countries, including China, and (3) the world as a whole. Of particular interest is such data from 2006 to the present and forecasts for the future.

1	No	Yes	Explain
Unite	ed States	an imp	hasing domestic productIs buying a product that is produced in the ortant factor in your firm's purchases of TRBs (check ALL that apply)?
∐ Y	govern	nment our pu	of domestic product are required by law or regulation (for example, purchases under "Buy American" provisions). This involves percent rechases of TRBs.
☐ Y			f domestic product are not required by law or regulation, but are by our Γhis involves percent of all our purchases of TRBs.
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		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	how yo	sometimes, discuss our firm/customers the producer and wi rmation is important
Your f	irm						
Your custor	mers						
your cu TRBs y			chasing dec	isions involvin	g TRBs b	If at least	sometimes, discus
		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	determine	our firm/customers e the source and wh rmation is important
Your f	irm						
Your custor	mers						
<u>Purcha</u>	sing fro	equency					
(a)	How fr	equently d	o you mak	e purchases (che	eck one)?		
	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly	Annual	y Other	If other, specify
	Do you	expect thi	s purchasir	ng pattern to cha	ange in the	e next two y	ears?

III-17.		er of suppliers contactedHow many suppliers do you generally contact before making a se? firms
III-18.	Supplie	er negotiations
	(a)	Do purchases of TRBs usually involve negotiations between supplier and purchaser?
		☐ No ☐ YesPlease describe these negotiations, noting whether purchasers generally quote competing prices as part of the negotiation process.
	(b)	Does your firm tend to vary its purchases from a given supplier within a specified time period based on the price offered for that period?
		☐ No ☐ YesSpecify the time period.
III-19.	Change	e in suppliersHave you changed suppliers since 2006?
	□ No	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 su	<u>ippliers</u>	
	(a)	Are you awa	are of any new suppliers, either foreign or domestic, that have entered the e 2006?
		□ No	YesPlease identify the firms and indicate how you became aware of them.
	(b)	_	ect new TRBs suppliers to enter the U.S. market?
		∐ No	YesPlease provide details.
III-21.	<u>Suppli</u>	er qualificati	ion_
	(a) Do firm?	you require y	our suppliers to be or to become certified or qualified to sell TRBs to your
	☐ No		Yes percent of value of purchases in 2011 Yesall purchases
	describ		a general description of the certification or qualification process. Briefly that you consider when qualifying a new supplier (e.g., quality of product r, etc.)
	(c) Ho	w long does it	t take to qualify a new supplier?days
III-22.	_		Since 2006, have any domestic or foreign producers failed in their attempts to eir TRBs with your firm or have any producers lost their approved status?
	□ No		YesPlease identify these firms, the countries where they are located, and the reasons why they failed the certification/qualification.

III-23. <u>Purchasing factors</u>.--For the factors listed below, please rate each in terms of its importance in your purchase decision for TRBs.

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

1.				
2.				
3.				
Oth	ner factors or com	ments:		
Free	nuency of decisio	ns based on priceHow	often does your firm pur	chase the TRBs that
	red at the lowest p			<u> </u>
			often does your firm purd	chase the TRBs that
	red at the lowest p	orice?		<u> </u>

III-28.	Changes	in U.	.S. in	dustry

	(a)	Please identify and discuss any improvements/changes in the U.S. TRBs industry since 2006 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. TRBs industry. Identify the time period and causes for these improvements/changes.
III-29.	antidun potentia	of revocationWhat do you think will be the likely effects of any revocation of the nping duty order for imports of TRBs from China? As appropriate, please discuss any all effects of revocation of the antidumping duty order on (1) the future activities of your d (2) the U.S. market as a whole. Please note the future time period to which you are g.
	(1) Act	ivities of your firm:
	(2) Enti	ire U.S. market:

# PART IV.-- PRODUCT COMPARISIONS

IV-1.	<u>Country knowledge.</u> Please indicate the countries of origin for TRBs for which your firm has actual marketing/pricing knowledge.
	☐ United States
	☐ China
	Other countries (specify
IV-2.	<u>Interchangeability by country-pair</u> Is TRBs produced in the United States and in other countries interchangeable ( <i>i.e.</i> , 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 <i>always</i> interchangeable F = the products are <i>frequently</i> interchangeable S = the products are <i>sometimes</i> interchangeable N = the products are <i>never</i> interchangeable 0 = no familiarity with products from a specified country-pair

Country-pair	China	Other countries
	TRBs other than wheel hub asse	emblies
United States		
China		
	Wheel hub assemblies	
United States		
China		
	producing TRBs or wheel hub assembl ase explain the factors that limit or prec	

#### PART IV .-- PRODUCT COMPARISIONS -- Continued

IV-3. <u>Factors other than price.</u>--Are differences other than price (*i.e.*, quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, *etc.*) between TRBs 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	China	Other countries				
TRBs other than wheel hub assemblies						
United States						
China						
	Wheel hub assemblies					
United States						
China						
factor in your firm's sa	or which factors other than price <i>alway</i> les of TRBs or wheel hub assemblies, advantages imparted by such factors:					

#### PART IV.-- PRODUCT COMPARISIONS--Continued

IV-4.	<u>Availability of merchandise</u> Are certain grades/types/sizes of TRBs available from only a single source (domestic or foreign, including both subject and nonsubject countries)?						
	No YesPlease identify the source and the grade/type/size.						
IV-5.	Choice of product not based on priceIf you purchased TRBs 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 TRBs produced in each country you identified in your response to the first question in Part IV compares with TRBs produced in each of the other countries you identified (including the United States and both subject and nonsubject foreign countries).

	product from <u>United States</u> compared to product from <u>China</u>		product from <u>United States</u> compared to product from <u>Nonsubject</u> countries			product from <u>China</u> compared to product from <u>Nonsubject</u> <u>countries</u>			
	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability									
Delivery terms									
Delivery time									
Discounts offered									
Extension of credit									
Price <sup>1</sup>									
Minimum quantity requirements									
Packaging									
Product consistency									
Quality meets industry standards									
Quality exceeds industry standards									
Product range									
Reliability of supply									
Technical support/service									
U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup>									
Other (specify):									
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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-7.	<u>Minimum</u>	<b>quality</b> How	often does	TRBs from	the following	countries	meet minimu	ım quality
specific	ations for y	our uses or you	r customer	s' uses?				

specifi	cations	for your uses or	your customers' uses	?									
		Source	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Rarely or never	Don't know						
	United States China												
IV-8.	<u>Chang</u>	Change in price											
	(a)	Since 2006, has there been a change in the price of TRBs? If so, has the price of U.Sproduced TRBs changed more or less than the price of imported TRBs from China?  No change in price Prices have changed by the same amount Price of U.Sproduced TRBs has changed relative to the price of TRBs from China. Price of U.Sproduced TRBs has changed relative to the price of TRBs from nonsubject countries.											
	<ul> <li>(b) If the price of U.Sproduced TRBs has changed relative to the price of TRBs from China, the price of U.Sproduced TRBs is now relatively</li> <li>Higher  Lower – than those from China.</li> </ul>												
		Higher	Lower – than th			es.							