## U.S. PRODUCERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

# CERTAIN STEEL NAILS FROM KOREA, MALAYSIA, OMAN, TAIWAN, AND VIETNAM 

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by March 20, 2015

## See last page for filing instructions.

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its countervailing duty and antidumping investigations concerning certain steel nails from Korea, Malaysia, Oman, Taiwan, and Vietnam (Inv. No. 701-TA-516-519 and 521 and 731-TA-1252-1255 and 1257 (Final)). 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 firm's possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)).

Name of firm $\qquad$
Address $\qquad$
City
State $\qquad$ Zip Code $\qquad$
Website
Has your firm produced certain steel nails (as defined on next page) at any time since January 1, 2012?
$\square$ NO $\quad$ (Sign the certification below and promptly return only this page of the questionnaire to the Commission)
$\square$ YES $\quad$ (Complete all parts of the questionnaire, and return the entire questionnaire to the Commission)
Return questionnaire via the U.S. International Trade Commission Drop Box by clicking on the following link: https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/. (PIN: NAIL)

## CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information herein supplied in response to this questionnaire is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and understand that the information submitted is subject to audit and verification by the Commission.

By means of this certification I also grant consent for the Commission, and its employees and contract personnel, to use the information provided in this questionnaire and throughout this proceeding in any other import-injury proceedings conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise.

I acknowledge that information submitted in this questionnaire response and throughout this proceeding may be used by the Commission, its employees, and contract personnel who are acting in the capacity of Commission employees, for developing or maintaining the records of this proceeding or related proceedings for which this information is submitted, or in internal audits and proceedings relating to the programs and operations of the Commission pursuant to 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3. I understand that all contract personnel will sign non-disclosure agreements.

Name of Authorized Official

## Signature

Title of Authorized Official
Phone: $\qquad$

## Date

Phone:
Email address

## PART I.-GENERAL INFORMATION

Background. This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed on May 29, 2014, by Mid Continent Nail Corporation (Poplar Bluff, MO). Antidumping and/or countervailing duties may be assessed on the subject imports as a result of these proceedings if the Commission makes an affirmative determination of injury, threat, or material retardation, and if the U.S. Department of Commerce makes an affirmative determination of dumping and/or subsidization. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at http://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2014/certain steel nails korea malaysia oman taiwan a nd/final.htm.

Certain steel nails or "subject product" covered by these investigations is certain steel nails having a shaft length not to exceed 12 inches. Certain steel nails include, but are not limited to, nails made from round wire and nails that are cut from plate. Certain steel nails may be made of one piece construction or constructed of two or more pieces. Certain steel nails may be produced from any type of steel, and may have any type of surface finish, head type, shank, point type, shaft length and shaft diameter. Finishes include, but are not limited to, coating in vinyl, zinc (galvanized, including but not limited to electroplating or hot dipping one or more times), phosphate cement, and paint. Certain steel nails may have one or more surface finishes. Head styles include, but are not limited to, flat, projection, cupped, oval, brad, headless, double, countersunk, and sinker. Shank styles include, but are not limited to, smooth, barbed, screw threaded, ring shank and fluted. Screw-threaded nails subjected to this proceeding are driven using direct force and not by turning the fastener using a tool that engages with the head. Point styles include, but are not limited to, diamond, blunt, needle, chisel and no point. Certain steel nails remain subject to the order whether imported alone or in combination with other articles.

Excluded from the scope of the order are steel roofing nails specifically certified at the time of entry to satisfy the specifications of certain Type I, Style 20 nails as identified in Tables 29 through 33 of ASTM Standard F 1667 ( 2013 revision). Also excluded from the scope of the order are fasteners suitable for use in powder-actuated hand tools, not threaded and threaded, which are currently classified under HTSUS 7317.00.20. and 7317.00.30. Also excluded from the scope of the order are fasteners having a case hardness greater than or equal to 50 HRC, a carbon content greater than or equal to 0.5 percent, a round head, a secondary reduced-diameter raised head section, a centered shank, and a smooth symmetrical point, suitable for use in gas-actuated hand tools. Also excluded from the scope of the order are corrugated nails. A corrugated nail is made of a small strip of corrugated steel with sharp points on the side. Also excluded from the scope of the order are thumb tacks, which are currently classified under HTSUS 7317.00.10.00.

Certain steel nails subject to this proceeding are currently classified under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS") subheadings $7317.00 .55,7317.00 .65$ and 7317.00 .75 . While the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of this order is dispositive.

Reporting of information.-- If information is not readily available from your records, provide carefully prepared estimates. If your firm is completing more than one questionnaire (i.e., a producer, importer, and/or purchaser questionnaire), you need not respond to duplicated questions.

Confidentiality.--The commercial and financial data furnished in response to this questionnaire 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, general 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 this questionnaire is subject to audit and verification by the Commission. To facilitate possible verification of data, please keep all files, worksheets, and supporting documents used in the preparation of the questionnaire response. Please also retain a copy of the final document that you submit.

Release of information.--The information provided by your firm in response to this questionnaire, as well as any other business proprietary information submitted by your firm to the Commission in connection with this proceeding, 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 proceeding or other import-injury proceedings 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.

I-1a. OMB statistics.--Please report below the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of completing this questionnaire.

| Hours | Dollars |
| :---: | :---: |
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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 50 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering data, and completing and reviewing the questionnaire.

We welcome comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate, suggestions for reducing the burden, and any suggestions for improving this questionnaire. Please attach such comments to your response or send to the Office of Investigations, USITC, 500 E St. SW, Washington, DC 20436.
l-1b. TAA information release.--In the event that the U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC) makes an affirmative final determination in this proceeding, do you consent to the USITC's release of your contact information (company name, address, contact person, telephone number, email address) appearing on the front page of this questionnaire to the Departments of Commerce, Labor, and Agriculture, as applicable, so that your firm and its workers can be made eligible for benefits under the Trade Adjustment Assistance program?
$\square$ Yes $\square$ No

I-2. Establishments covered.--Provide the city, state, zip code, and brief description of each establishment covered by this questionnaire. If your firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol in the footnote to the table. Firms operating more than one establishment should combine the data for all establishments into a single report.
"Establishment"--Each facility of a firm involved in the production of the subject product, including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.

| Establishments <br> covered $^{1}$ | City, State | Zip (5 digit) | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  |  |  |
| 2 |  |  |  |
| 3 |  |  |  |
| 4 |  |  |  |
| 5 |  |  |  |
| 6 |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ Additional discussion on establishments consolidated in this questionnaire: |  |  |  |

I-3. Petition support.--Does your firm support or oppose the petition?

| Country | Support | Oppose | Take no position |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Korea | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Malaysia | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Oman | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Taiwan | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Vietnam | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

I-4. Ownership.--Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm?No
$\square$ Yes--List the following information.

| Firm name | Address | Extent of <br> ownership <br> (percent) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |

I-5. Related importers/exporters.--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in importing the subject product from any subject country into the United States or that are engaged in exporting the subject product from any subject country to the United States?
$\square$ No
$\square$ Yes--List the following information.

| Firm name | Address | Affiliation |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |

I-6. Related producers.--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in the production of the subject product?
$\square$ NoYes--List the following information.

| Firm name | Address | Affiliation |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |
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## PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Fred Ruggles (202-205-3187, fred.ruggles@usitc.gov). Supply all data requested on a calendar-year basis.

II-1. Contact information.-- Please identify the responsible individual and the manner by which Commission staff may contact that individual regarding the confidential information submitted in part II.

| Name |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Title |  |
| Email |  |
| Telephone |  |
| Fax |  |

II-2. Changes in operations.--Please indicate whether your firm has experienced any of the following changes in relation to the production of the subject product since January 1, 2012.

| (check as many as appropriate) | (please describe) |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\square$ | plant openings |  |
| $\square$ | plant closings |  |
| $\square$ | relocations |  |
| $\square$ | expansions |  |
| $\square$ | acquisitions |  |
| $\square$ | consolidations |  |
| $\square$ | prolonged shutdowns or |  |
| production curtailments |  |  |

II-3a. Production using same machinery.-- Please report your firm's production of products made on the same equipment and machinery used to produce the subject product, and the combined production capacity on this shared equipment and machinery in the periods indicated.
"Average production capacity" or "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 U.S. establishment(s), including production consumed internally within your firm and production for another firm under a toll agreement.

| (Quantity in short tons) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Item | Calendar years |  |  |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| Overall production capacity |  |  |  |
| Production of: <br> Subject product (i.e., certain nails) ${ }^{1}$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other products ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Data entered for production of <br> ${ }^{2}$ Please identify these products: | teel nails will p | here once repor | uestion II-7. |

II-3b. Operating parameters.--The production capacity reported in II-3a is based on operating $\qquad$ hours per week, $\qquad$ weeks per year.

II-3c. Capacity calculation.--Please describe the methodology used to calculate overall production capacity reported in II-3a, and explain any changes in reported capacity.
$\square$
II-3d. Production constraints.--Please describe the constraint(s) that set the limit(s) on your firm's production capacity.

## II-3e. Product shifting.-

(e) Is your firm able to switch production (capacity) between subject product and other products using the same equipment and/or labor?
NoYes-- (i.e., have produced other products or are able to produce other products). Please identify other actual or potential products: $\qquad$
(f) Please describe the factors that affect your firm's ability to shift production capacity between products (e.g., time, cost, relative price change, etc.), and the degree to which these factors enhance or constrain such shifts.

II-4a. Tolling.--Since January 1, 2012, has your firm been involved in a toll agreement regarding the production of the subject product?
"Toll agreement"--Agreement between two firms whereby the first firm furnishes the raw materials and the second firm uses the raw materials to produce a product that it then returns to the first firm with a charge for processing costs, overhead, etc.No Proceed to question II-5
Yes--Please describe the toll arrangement(s) and name the firm(s) involved
$\square$
II-4b. In-house manufacturing facility versus Tolling. - Does your firm have the in-house capability to perform the following production processes for manufacturing certain steel nails, and has your firm actually performed these production processes in-house from 2012-2014:

| Process | Capability (Yes/No) | Actual production <br> (Yes/No) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Complete nail making process | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Hot dip galvanizing process | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Electro-plating process | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Heat Treatment process | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Sinker coating process | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Packing process for small packaged nails (1 lb/5 lb <br> boxes) | $\square$ | $\square$ |

II-4c. Tolling information.--If your firm has been involved in a toll agreement regarding the production of the subject product at some point since January 1, 2012, please provide the following information:

| Process Capability  Quantity (short tons)   <br>  (Yes/No) If yes firm name $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Complete nail making process | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |
| Hot dip galvanizing process | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |
| Electro-plating process | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |
| Heat Treatment process | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |
| Sinker coating Process | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |
| Packing process for small <br> packaged nails (1 lb/ 5 lb <br> boxes) | $\square$ |  |  |  |  |

## II-5. Foreign trade zones.--

(a) Firm's FTZ operations.--Does your firm produce subject product in and/or admit subject product into a foreign trade zone (FTZ)?
"Foreign trade zone" is a designated location in the United States where firms utilize special procedures that allow delayed or reduced customs duty payments on foreign merchandise. A foreign trade zone must be designed as such pursuant to the rules and procedures set forth in the Foreign-Trade Zones Act.
No
$\square$ Yes--Describe the nature of your firms operations in FTZs and identify the specific FTZ site(s).
(b) Other firms' FTZ operations.--To your knowledge, do any firms in the United States import subject product into a foreign trade zone (FTZ) for use in distribution of subject product and/or the production of downstream articles?
$\square$ No/Don't know Yes--Identify the firms and the FTZs.

II-6. Importer.--Since January 1, 2012, has your firm imported subject product?
"Importer" - The person or firm primarily liable for the payment of any duties on the merchandise, or an authorized agent acting on his behalf. The importer may be the consignee, or the importer of record.

Yes--COMPLETE AND RETURN A U.S. IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

II-7. Production, shipment and inventory data.--Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of subject product in its U.S. establishment(s) during the specified periods.
"U.S. commercial shipments" -Shipments made within the United States as a result of an arm's length commercial transaction in the ordinary course of business. Report 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.
"Internal consumption" - Product consumed internally by your firm.
"Transfers to related firms" -Shipments made to related domestic firms. Such transactions are valued at fair market value.
"Related firm" -A firm that your firm solely or jointly owns, manages, or otherwise controls. Such transactions are valued at fair market value.
"Export shipments" -Shipments to destinations outside the United States, including shipments to related firms.
"Inventories" - Finished goods inventory, not raw materials or work-in-progress.

## II-7. Production, shipment and inventory data.--

| Quantity (in short tons) and value (in \$1,000) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Item | Calendar years |  |  |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| Average production capacity ${ }^{1}$ (quantity) (A) |  |  |  |
| Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (B) |  |  |  |
| Production (quantity) (C) |  |  |  |
| U.S. shipments: <br> Commercial shipments: Quantity (D) |  |  |  |
| Value (E) |  |  |  |
| Internal consumption: Quantity (F) |  |  |  |
| Value ${ }^{2}$ (G) |  |  |  |
| Transfers to related firms: Quantity (H) |  |  |  |
| Value ${ }^{2}$ (I) |  |  |  |
| Export shipments: ${ }^{3}$ Quantity (J) |  |  |  |
| Value (K) |  |  |  |
| End-of-period inventories ${ }^{4}$ (quantity) (L) |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ The production capacity (see definitions in instruction booklet) reported is based on operating $\qquad$ hours per week, $\qquad$ weeks per year. Please describe the methodology used to calculate production capacity, and explain any changes in reported capacity (use additional pages as necessary). $\qquad$ <br> ${ }^{2}$ Internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued at fair market value. In the event that your firm uses a different basis for valuing these transactions, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, etc.) and provide value data using that basis for each of the periods noted above: $\qquad$ <br> ${ }^{3}$ Identify your firm's principal export markets: $\qquad$ |  |  |  |

RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, PRODUCTION, AND INVENTORY.--Generally, the data reported for the end-ofperiod inventories (i.e., line L) should be equal to the beginning-of-period inventories (i.e., line B), plus production (i.e., line C), less total shipments (i.e., lines D, F, H, and J). Please ensure that any differences are not due to data entry errors in completing this form, but rather actually reflect your firm's records; and also provide any likely explanations for any differences (e.g., theft, loss, damage, record systems issues, etc.) if they exist.

| Reconciliation | Calendar years |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ |
| $\mathrm{B}+\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{D}-\mathrm{F}-\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{J}-\mathrm{L}=$ should equal <br> zero ("O") or provide an explanation. ${ }^{1}$ | 0 |  |  |
| Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are |  |  |  |
| nonetheless accurate. |  |  |  |

II-8. Channels of distribution.-- Report your firm's commercial U.S. shipments by channel of distribution.

| Quantity (in short tons) and value (in \$1,000) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Item | Calendar years |  |  |
|  | 2012 | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| To end users (quantity) (N) |  |  |  |


| Reconciliation | Calendar years |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |  |
|  | 0 |  | 0 |  |

II-9. Employment data.--Report your firm's employment-related data related to the production of certain steel nails and provide any explanation for any trends in these data.
"Production Related Workers" (PRWs) includes working supervisors and all nonsupervisory workers (including group leaders and trainees) engaged in fabricating, processing, assembling, inspecting, receiving, storage, handling, packing, warehousing, shipping, trucking, hauling, maintenance, repair, janitorial and guard services, product development, auxiliary production for plant's own use (e.g., power plant), recordkeeping, and other services closely associated with the above production operations.

Average number employed may be computed by adding the number of employees, both full time and part time, for the 12 pay periods ending closest to the 15th of the month and divide that total by 12. For the January to June periods, calculate similarly and divide by 2.
"Hours worked" includes time paid for sick leave, holidays, and vacation time. Include overtime hours actually worked; do not convert overtime pay to its equivalent in straight time hours.
"Wages paid" -Total wages paid before deductions of any kind (e.g., withholding taxes, old-age and unemployment insurance, group insurance, union dues, bonds, etc.). Include wages paid directly by your firm for overtime, holidays, vacations, and sick leave.

| Item | Calendar years |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ |
| Average number of PRWs <br> (number) |  |  |  |
| Hours worked by PRWs <br> (1,000 hours) |  |  |  |
| Wages paid to PRWs (value) |  |  |  |

Explanation of trends:
$\square$
II-10. Related firms.--If your firm reported transfers to related firms in question II-7, please indicate the nature of the relationship between your firm and the related firms (e.g., joint venture, wholly owned subsidiary), whether the transfers were priced at market value or by a nonmarket formula, whether your firm retained marketing rights to all transfers, and whether the related firms also processed inputs from sources other than your firm.

II-11. Purchases.--Other than direct imports, has your firm otherwise purchased certain steel nails since January 1, 2012?
"Purchase" - A transaction to buy product from a U.S. corporate entity such as another U.S. producer, a U.S. distributor, or a U.S. firm that has directly imported the product.
"Direct import" -A transaction to buy from a foreign producer where your firm is the importer of record or consignee.
No
Yes--Report such purchases below and explain the reasons for your firms' purchases:


| (Quantity in short tons, value in \$1,000) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Item | Calendar years |  |  |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| Purchases from U.S. importers ${ }^{1}$ of subject product from- <br> Korea |  |  |  |
| Malaysia |  |  |  |
| Oman |  |  |  |
| Taiwan |  |  |  |
| Vietnam |  |  |  |
| All other countries |  |  |  |
| Purchases from domestic producers ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |
| Purchases from other sources ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ Please list the name of the importer(s) from which your firm purchased this product. If your firm's import suppliers differ by source, please identify the source for each listed supplier. $\qquad$ <br> ${ }^{2}$ Please list the name of the producer(s) or other U.S. distributor(s) from which your firm purchased this product.. $\qquad$ |  |  |  |

II-12. Other explanations.--If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part II that did not provide a narrative box, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below. Please also use this space to highlight any issues your firm had in providing the data in this section, including but not limited to technical issues with the MS Word questionnaire.
$\square$

II-13. U.S. shipments by type and finish.--Please provide the quantity and value of your firm's U.S. shipments of certain steel nails during 2014 by type and finish.

|  | Quantity (short tons) | Value (\$1,000) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Collated.-- <br> Bright (no finish) |  |  |
| Galvanized |  |  |
| Other |  |  |
| Subtotal, collated | 0 | 0 |
| Uncollated.-- <br> Bright (no finish) |  |  |
| Galvanized |  |  |
| Other |  |  |
| Subtotal, uncollated | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 0 | 0 |
| Reconciliation of total ${ }^{1}$ | 0 | 0 |
| ${ }^{1}$ The reconciliation line tests whether the data reported in this question match the data reported in question II-7 for U.S. shipments. If the reconciliation line returns a value other than zero ("0"), please revise your data prior to submission to the Commission. |  |  |

II-14. U.S. shipments by type and form.--Please provide the quantity and value of your firm's U.S. shipments of certain steel nails during 2014 by type and form.

|  | Quantity (short tons) | Value (\$1,000) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Collated.-- <br> Common nail (e.g., framing, decking, box, <br> sinkers) |  |  |
| Finishing nail |  |  |
| Drywall nail |  |  |
| Flooring nail |  |  |
| Pallet nail |  | 0 |
| Concrete/masonry |  |  |
| All other products not listed above ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |
| Subtotal, collated |  |  |
| Uncollated.-- <br> Common nail (e.g., framing, decking, box, <br> sinkers) |  |  |
| Finishing nail |  |  |
| Drywall nail |  |  |
| Flooring nail |  |  |
| Pallet nail |  | 0 |
| Concrete/masonry |  | 0 |
| All other products not listed above ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |
| Subtotal, uncollated | 0 |  |
| Total | Reconciliation of total ${ }^{2}$ | 0 |

${ }^{1}$ Please list these products
${ }^{2}$ The reconciliation line tests whether the data reported in this question match the data reported in question II-7 for U.S. shipments. If the reconciliation line returns a value other than zero ("0"), please revise your data prior to submission to the Commission.

## PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Address questions on this part of the questionnaire to Mary Klir (202-205-3247, mary.klir@usitc.gov).

III-1. Contact information.-- Please identify the responsible individual and the manner by which Commission staff may contact that individual regarding the confidential information submitted in part III.

| Name |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Title |  |
| Email |  |
| Telephone |  |
| Fax |  |

III-2. Accounting system.--Briefly describe your firm's financial accounting system.
A. When does your firm's fiscal year end (month and day)? $\qquad$ If your firm's fiscal year changed during the data-collection period, explain:
B.1. Describe the lowest level of operations (e.g., plant, division, company-wide) for which financial statements are prepared that include certain steel nails:
2. Does your firm prepare profit/loss statements for certain steel nails:
$\square$
3. How often did your firm (or parent company) prepare financial statements (including annual reports, 10Ks)? Please check relevant items below.
$\square$ Audited, $\square$ unaudited, $\square$ annual reports, $\square$ 10Ks, $\square$ 10Qs,
$\square$ Monthly, $\square$ quarterly, $\square$ semi-annually, $\square$ annually
4. Accounting basis: $\square$ GAAP, $\square$ cash, $\square$ tax, or $\square$ other comprehensive basis of accounting (specify) $\qquad$

Note: The Commission may request that your company submit copies of its financial statements, including internal profit-and-loss statements for the division or product group that includes certain steel nails, as well as those statements and worksheets used to compile data for your firm's questionnaire response.

III-3. Cost accounting system.--Briefly describe your firm's cost accounting system (e.g., standard cost, job order cost, etc.).
$\square$

III-4. Allocation basis.--Briefly describe your firm's allocation basis, if any, for COGS, SG\&A, and interest expense and other income and expenses.
$\square$

III-5. Other products.--Please list the products your firm produced in the facilities in which your firm produced the subject product, and provide the share of net sales accounted for by these other products in your firm's most recent fiscal year.

| Products | Share of sales |
| :--- | :---: |
| Certain Steel Nails | $\%$ |
|  | $\%$ |
|  | $\%$ |
|  | $\%$ |
|  | $\%$ |

III-6. Does your firm purchase inputs (raw materials, labor, energy, or any other services) used in the production of the subject product from any related parties?Yes--Continue to question III-7.
No--Continue to question III-9a.

III-7. Inputs from related parties.--Please identify the inputs used in the production of the subject product that your firm purchases from related parties and that are reflected in table III-9a. For "share of total COGS" please report this information by relevant input on the basis of your most recently completed fiscal year. For "input valuation" please describe the basis, as recorded in your company's own accounting system, of the purchase cost from the related party; e.g., the related party's actual cost, cost plus, negotiated transfer price to approximate fair market value.

| Input | Related party | Share of total COGS |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Input valuation as recorded in the firm's accounting books and records |  |  |

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III-8. Inputs purchased from related parties.--Please confirm that the inputs purchased from related parties, as identified in III-7, were reported in III-9a (financial results on certain steel nails) in a manner consistent with your firm's accounting books and records.
$\square$ Yes
$\square$ No--In the space below, please report the valuation basis of inputs purchased from related parties as reported in table III-9a.

III-9a. Operations on certain steel nails.--Report the revenue and related cost information requested below on the certain steel nails operations of your firm's U.S. establishment(s). ${ }^{1}$ Do not report resales of products. Note that internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued at fair market value. Input purchases from related parties should be consistent with and based on information in the firm's accounting books and records. Provide data for your firm's three most recently completed fiscal years.

| Quantity (in short tons) and value (in \$1,000) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Item | Fiscal years ended-- |  |  |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| Net sales quantities: ${ }^{2}$ <br> Commercial sales ("CS") |  |  |  |
| Internal consumption ("IC") |  |  |  |
| Transfers to related firms ("Transfers") |  |  |  |
| Total net sales quantities | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Net sales values: ${ }^{2}$ Commercial sales |  |  |  |
| Internal consumption |  |  |  |
| Transfers to related firms |  |  |  |
| Total net sales values | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cost of goods sold (COGS): ${ }^{3}$ Raw materials |  |  |  |
| Direct labor |  |  |  |
| Other factory costs |  |  |  |
| Total COGS | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gross profit or (loss) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Selling, general, and administrative (SG\&A) expenses: <br> Selling expenses |  |  |  |
| General and administrative expenses |  |  |  |
| Total SG\&A expenses | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Operating income (loss) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other expenses and income: Interest expense |  |  |  |
| All other expense items |  |  |  |
| All other income items |  |  |  |
| Net income or (loss) before income taxes | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Depreciation/amortization included above |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ Include only sales (whether domestic or export) and costs related to your U.S. manufacturing operations. <br> ${ }^{2}$ Less discounts, returns, allowances, and prepaid freight. The quantities and values should approximate the corresponding shipment quantities and values reported in Part II of this questionnaire. <br> ${ }^{3}$ COGS (whether for domestic or export sales) should include costs associated with CS, IC, and Transfers. |  |  |  |

III-9b. Financial data reconciliation.--The calculable line items from question III-9a (i.e., total net sales quantities and values, total COGS, gross profit (or loss), total SG\&A, and net income (or loss)) have been calculated from the data submitted in the other line items. Do the calculated fields return the correct data according to your firm's financial records ignoring non-material differences that may arise due to rounding?Yes $\square$ No--If the calculated fields do not show the correct data, please double check the feeder data for data entry errors and revise.

Also, check signs accorded to the post operating income line items; the two expense line items should report positive numbers (i.e., expenses are positive and incomes or reversals are negative--instances of the latter should be rare in those lines) while the income line item also in most instances should have its value be a positive number (i.e., income is positive, expenses or reversals are negative).

If after reviewing and potentially revising the feeder data your firm has provided, the differences between your records and the calculated fields persist please identify and discuss the differences in the space below.

III-10. Nonrecurring items (charges and gains) included in the subject product financial results.--For each annual and interim period for which financial results are reported in question III-9a, please specify all material (significant) nonrecurring items (charges and gains) in the schedule below, the specific table III-9a line item where the nonrecurring items are included, a brief description of the relevant nonrecurring items, and the associated values (in $\$ 1,000$ ), as reflected in table III-9a; i.e., if an aggregate nonrecurring item has been allocated to table III-9a, only the allocated value amount included in table III-9a should be reported in the schedule below. Note: The Commission's objective here is to gather information only on material (significant) nonrecurring items which impacted the reported financial results of the subject product in table III-9a.

|  | Fiscal years ended-- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| Nonrecurring item: In this column please provide a brief description of each nonrecurring item and indicate the specific line item in table III-9a where the nonrecurring item is classified. | Nonrecurring item: In these columns please report the amount of the relevant nonrecurring item reported in table III-9a. <br> Value $(\$ 1,000)$ |  |  |
| 1. , classified |  |  |  |
| 2. , classified |  |  |  |
| 3. , classified |  |  |  |
| 4. , classified |  |  |  |
| 5. , classified |  |  |  |
| 6. , classified |  |  |  |
| 7. , classified |  |  |  |

III-11. Classification of identified nonrecurring items (charges and gains) in the accounting books and records of the company.--If non-recurring items were reported in table III-10 above, please identify where your company recorded these items in your accounting books and records in the normal course of business; i.e., III-10 information designates where these items are reported in table III-9a.
$\square$
III-12. Asset values.--Report the total assets (i.e., both current and long-term assets) associated with the production, warehousing, and sale of the subject product. If your firm does not maintain some or all of the specific asset information necessary to calculate total assets for the subject product in the normal course of business, please estimate this information based upon a method (such as production, sales, or costs) that is consistent with your firm's cost allocations in the previous question. Provide data as of the end of your firm's three most recently completed fiscal years.

Note: Total assets should reflect net assets after any accumulated depreciation and allowances deducted.

Total assets should be allocated to the subject products if these assets are also related to other products. Please provide a brief explanation if there are any substantial changes in total asset value during the period; e.g., due to asset write-offs, revaluation, and major purchases.

| Value (in \$1,000) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Item | Fiscal years ended-- |  |  |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ Describe__ |  |  |  |

III-13a. Capital expenditures and research and development expenses.--Report your firm's capital expenditures and research and development expenses on the subject product. Provide data for your firm's three most recently completed fiscal years.

| Value (in \$1,000) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Item | Fiscal years ended-- |  |  |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| Capital expenditures |  |  |  |
| Research and development <br> expenses |  |  |  |

III-13b. Capital expenditures.--Please describe your firm's capital expenditures on the subject product.
$\square$

III-14. Data consistency and reconciliation.--Please indicate whether your firm's financial data for questions III-9a, 12, and 13a are based on a calendar year or on your firm's fiscal year:

| Calendar year | Fiscal year | Specify fiscal year |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
|  | $\square$ |  |

Please note the quantities and values reported in question III-9a should reconcile with the data reported in question II-7 (including export shipments) as long as they are reported on a calendar year basis.

Do these data in question III-9a reconcile with data in question II-7?

| Yes | No | If no, please explain. |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

III-15. Effects of imports.--Since January 1, 2012, has your firm experienced any actual negative effects on its return on investment or its growth, investment, ability to raise capital, existing development and production efforts (including efforts to develop a derivative or more advanced version of the product), or the scale of capital investments as a result of imports of the subject product from Korea, Malaysia, Oman, Taiwan, and Vietnam?
$\square$ No $\quad \square$ Yes--My firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows:

| $\square$ | Cancellation, postponement, or rejection of expansion projects |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\square$ | Denial or rejection of investment proposal |
| $\square$ | Reduction in the size of capital investments |
| $\square$ | Rejection of bank loans |
| $\square$ | Lowering of credit rating |
| $\square$ | Problem related to the issue of stocks or bonds |
| $\square$ | Other (specify): |

III-16a. Anticipated effects of imports.--Does your firm anticipate any negative effects due to imports of the subject product from Korea, Malaysia, Oman, Taiwan, and Vietnam?

| No | Yes | If yes, my firm anticipates negative effects as follows: |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

III-16b. Does your firm's response differ by country?

| No | Yes | If yes, indicate which country and why: |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

III-17. Other explanations:--If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part III that did not provide a narrative box, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below. Please also use this space to highlight any issues your firm had in providing the data in this section, including but not limited to technical issues with the MS Word questionnaire.

## PART IV.--PRICING AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Lauren Gamache (202-2053489, lauren.gamache@usitc.gov).

IV-1. Contact information.--Please identify the individual that Commission staff may contact regarding the confidential information submitted in part IV.

| Name |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Title |  |
| Email |  |
| Telephone |  |
| Fax |  |

## PRICE DATA

IV-2. This question requests quarterly quantity and value data for your firm's commercial shipments to unrelated U.S. customers since January 1, 2012 of the following products produced by your firm.

Product 1.-- Nominal $3^{\prime \prime} \times 0.131^{\prime \prime}$ (10.25 gauge), bright smooth shank, 20-22 degree plasticstrip collated nails

Product 2.-- Nominal 3" $\times$ 0.120" (11 gauge), bright smooth shank, 20-22 degree plastic-strip collated nails

Product 3.-- Nominal $23 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 0.113^{\prime \prime}$ (11.5 gauge), bright smooth shank, 20-22 degree plasticstrip collated nails

Product 4.-- Nominal $31 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 0.131^{\prime \prime}$ (10.25 gauge), bright smooth shank, 20-22 degree plastic strip collated nails

Product 5.-- Nominal $3^{\prime \prime} \times 0.148^{\prime \prime}$ (9 gauge), bright smooth shank, 20-22 degree plastic strip collated nails

Product 6.-- Nominal $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 0.131^{\prime \prime}$ (10.25 gauge), bright smooth shank, 20-22 degree plastic strip collated nails

Product 7.-- Nominal 2" $\times 0.113^{\prime \prime}$ (11.5 gauge), bright drive screw (threaded) shank, machine grade bulk nails

Product 8.-- Nominal 2" x $0.099^{\prime \prime}$ (12. 5 gauge), bright screw (threaded), 15 degree wire coil collated nails

Product 9.-- Nominal $21 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 0.113^{\prime \prime}$ (11.5 gauge), bright drive screw (threaded) shank, machine grade bulk nails.

Product 10.-- Nominal 3" (nail shaft length) ${ }^{1} \times 0.162^{\prime \prime}$ ( 8 gauge) bright smooth shank nail, double-headed or duplex head, 50 pound bulk box

Product 11.-- Nominal $11 / 2 \prime \times 0.131^{\prime \prime}$ (10.25 gauge), bright smooth shank, 30-33 degree paper strip collated nails

Product 12.-- Nominal $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 0.148^{\prime \prime}$ (9 gauge), bright smooth shank, 30-33 degree paper strip collated nails

Please note that values should be f.o.b., U.S. point of shipment and should not include U.S.-inland transportation costs. Values should reflect the final net amount paid to your firm (i.e., should be net of all deductions for discounts or rebates).

During January 2012-December 2014, did your firm produce and sell to unrelated U.S. customers any of the above listed products (or any products that were competitive with these products)?

| $\square$ | Yes.--Please complete the following pricing data table(s) as appropriate. |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\square$ | No.--Skip to question IV-3. |

[^0]IV-2a. Price data.--Report below the quarterly price data ${ }^{1}$ for pricing products ${ }^{2}$ produced and sold by your firm.

Report quantity data in thousand count of nails (1,000 nails) for products 1-6. Report value in actual dollars (not 1,000s).

| Period of shipment | Product 1 |  | Product 2 |  | Product 3 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Quantity (1,000 nails) | Value (dollars) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Quantity } \\ (1,000 \text { nails }) \end{gathered}$ | Value (dollars) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Quantity } \\ (1,000 \text { nails }) \end{gathered}$ | Value (dollars) |
| 2012: <br> January-March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2013: <br> January-March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2014: January-March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Product 4 |  | Product 5 |  | Product 6 |  |
| Period of shipment | Quantity (1,000 nails) | Value (dollars) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Quantity } \\ (1,000 \text { nails }) \end{gathered}$ | Value (dollars) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Quantity } \\ (1,000 \text { nails }) \end{gathered}$ | Value (dollars) |
| 2012: <br> January-March       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2013: <br> January-March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2014: <br> January-March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ Net values (i.e., gross sales values less all discounts, allowances, rebates, prepaid freight, and the value of returned goods), f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of shipment. <br> ${ }^{2}$ Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part IV. <br> Note.--If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of your firm's product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## IV-2a. Continued.

Report quantity data in actual short tons for products 7, 9, and 10, and in thousand count of nails (1,000 nails) for products 8, 11, and 12. Report value in actual dollars (not 1,000s).

| Period of shipment | Product 7 |  | Product 8 |  | Product 9 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Quantity (short tons) | Value (dollars) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Quantity } \\ (1,000 \text { nails }) \end{gathered}$ | Value (dollars) | Quantity (short tons) | Value (dollars) |
| 2012: January-March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2013: <br> January-March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2014: <br> January-March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Product 10 |  | Product 11 |  | Product 12 |  |
| Period of shipment | Quantity (short tons) | Value (dollars) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Quantity } \\ (1,000 \text { nails }) \end{gathered}$ | Value <br> (dollars) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Quantity } \\ (1,000 \text { nails }) \end{gathered}$ | Value (dollars) |
| 2012: <br> January-March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2013: <br> January-March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2014: <br> January-March |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April-June |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July-September |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October-December |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ Net values (i.e., gross sales values less all discounts, allowances, rebates, prepaid freight, and the value of returned goods), f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of shipment. <br> ${ }^{2}$ Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part IV. <br> Note.--If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of your firm's product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

IV-2b. Pricing data methodology.-Please describe the method and the kinds of documents/records that were used to compile your price data.


IV-3. Price setting.-- How does your firm determine the prices that it charges for sales of certain steel nails (check all that apply)? If your firm issues price lists, please submit sample pages of a recent list.

| Transaction <br> by <br> transaction | Contracts | Set <br> price <br> lists | Other |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| $\square$ | $\square$ | If other, describe |  |  |

IV-4. Discount policy.-- Please indicate and describe your firm's discount policies (check all that apply).

|  | Annual <br> total <br> Quantity <br> discounts | No <br> discounts | discount <br> policy | Other |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |$\quad$|  |
| :---: |
| $\square$ |

## IV-5. Pricing terms.--

(a) What are your firm's typical sales terms for its U.S.-produced certain steel nails?

| Net $\mathbf{3 0}$ <br> days | Net 60 <br> days | 2/10 net <br> 30 days | Other | Other (specify) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

(b) On what basis are your firm's prices of domestic certain steel nails usually quoted (check one)?

| Delivered | F.o.b. | If f.o.b., specify point |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

IV-6. Contract versus spot.--Approximately what share of your firm's sales of its U.S.-produced certain steel nails in 2014 was on a (1) long-term contract basis, (2) annual contract basis, (3) short-term contract basis, and (4) spot sales basis?


IV-7. Contract provisions.- Please fill out the table regarding your firm's typical sales contracts for U.S.-produced certain steel nails (or check "not applicable" if your firm does not sell on a longterm, short-term and/or annual contract basis).

| Typical sales <br> contract provisions | Item | Short-term contracts <br> (multiple deliveries <br> for less than 12 <br> months) | Annual contracts <br> (multiple <br> deliveries for 12 <br> months) | Long-term contracts <br> (multiple deliveries for <br> more than 12 months) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average contract <br> duration | \# of days |  | 365 |  |
| Price renegotiation <br> (during contract <br> period) | Yes | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | No | Price | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | Both | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Meet or release <br> provision | Yes | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | No | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
|  | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

IV-8. Lead times.--What is your firm's share of sales both from inventory and produced to order and what is the typical lead time between a customer's order and the date of delivery for your firm's sales of its U.S.-produced certain steel nails?

| Source | Share of 2014 <br> sales | Lead time (days) |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| From inventory | $\%$ |  |
| Produced to order | $\%$ |  |
| Total (should sum to 100.0\%) | $0.0 \%$ |  |

## IV-9. Shipping information.--

(a) What is the approximate percentage of the total delivered cost of U.S.-produced certain steel nails that is accounted for by U.S. inland transportation costs? $\qquad$ percent
(b) Who generally arranges the transportation to your firm's customers' locations? $\square$ Your firm $\square$ Purchaser (check one)
(c) Indicate the approximate percentage of your firm's sales of certain steel nails that are delivered the following distances from its production facility.

| Distance from production facility | Share |
| :--- | :---: |
| Within 100 miles | $\%$ |
| 101 to 1,000 miles | $\%$ |
| Over 1,000 miles | $\%$ |
| Total (should sum to $100.0 \%)$ |  |

V-10. Geographical shipments.-- In which U.S. geographic market area(s) has your firm sold its U.S.produced certain steel nails since January 1, 2012 (check all that apply)?

| Geographic area | V if applicable |
| :--- | :---: |
| Northeast.-CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, and VT. | $\square$ |
| Midwest.-IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, and WI. | $\square$ |
| Southeast.-AL, DE, DC, FL, GA, KY, MD, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, and WV. | $\square$ |
| Central Southwest.-AR, LA, OK, and TX. | $\square$ |
| Mountains.-AZ, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, UT, and WY. | $\square$ |
| Pacific Coast.-CA, OR, and WA. | $\square$ |
| Other.-All other markets in the United States not previously listed, <br> including AK, HI, PR, and VI, among others. |  |

IV-11. End uses.--List the end uses of the certain steel nails that your firm manufactures. For each enduse product, what percentage of the total cost is accounted for by certain steel nails and other inputs?

| End use product | Share of total cost of end use product <br> accounted for by |  | Total <br> (should sum to <br> $100.0 \%$ across) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Certain steel nails | Other inputs |  |
|  | $\%$ | $\%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
|  | $\%$ | $\%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
|  | $\%$ | $\%$ | $0.0 \%$ |

IV-12. Substitutes.-- Can other products be substituted for certain steel nails?
$\square$ No $\quad \square$ Yes--Please fill out the table.

| Substitute |  | End use in which this substitute is used | Have changes in the prices of this substitute affected the price for certain steel nails? |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | No | Yes | Explanation |
| 1. |  |  |  | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| 2. |  |  | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| 3. |  |  | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

IV-13. Demand trends.-- Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for certain steel nails has changed since January 1, 2012. Explain any trends and describe the principal factors that have affected these changes in demand.

| Market | Overall <br> increase | No <br> Nhange | Overall <br> decrease | Fluctuate <br> with no <br> clear trend | Explanation and factors |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Within <br> the United <br> States | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| Outside <br> the United <br> States | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

IV-14. Product changes.--Have there been any significant changes in the product range, product mix, or marketing of certain steel nails since January 1, 2012?

| No | Yes | If yes, please describe and quantify if possible. |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

## IV-15. Conditions of competition.--

(a) Is the certain steel nails market subject to business cycles (other than general economywide conditions) and/or other conditions of competition distinctive to certain steel nails? If yes, describe.

| Check all that apply. | Please describe. |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\square \quad$ No | Skip to question IV-16. |
| $\square \quad$Yes-Business cycles (e.g. <br> seasonal business) |  |
| $\square \quad$Yes-Other distinctive <br> conditions of competition |  |
| $\square \quad$ |  |

(b) If yes, have there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of competition for certain steel nails since January 1, 2012?

| No | Yes | If yes, describe. |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

IV-16. Supply constraints.--Has your firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply certain steel nails since January 1, 2012 (examples include placing customers on allocation or "controlled order entry," declining to accept new customers or renew existing customers, delivering less than the quantity promised, been unable to meet timely shipment commitments, etc.)?

| No | Yes | If yes, please describe. |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
| $\square$ |  |  |

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IV-17. Raw materials.--How have certain steel nails raw materials prices changed since January 1, 2012?

| Overall <br> increase | No <br> change | Overall <br> Oecrease | Fluate <br> with no <br> clear <br> trend | Explain, noting how raw material price changes <br> have affected your firm's selling prices for certain <br> steel nails. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

IV-18. Private labeling.--
(a) Have your firm's customers requested private labeled certain steel nails since January 1, 2012?

|  |  | Share of 2014 U.S. commercial <br> shipments of U.S. produced <br> certain steel nails that were <br> private labeled |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No | Yes | $\%$ |
| $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

(b) Has your firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply its customers' private labeling requests for certain steel nails since January 1, 2012?

| No | Yes | If yes, please describe. |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $\square$ | $\square$ |  |

IV-19. Interchangeability.--Are certain steel nails 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
$\mathrm{F}=$ the products are frequently interchangeable
$\mathrm{S}=$ the products are sometimes interchangeable
$\mathrm{N}=$ the products are never interchangeable
$0=$ no familiarity with products from a specified country-pair

| Country-pair | Korea | Malaysia | Oman | Taiwan | Vietnam | China | Other <br> countries |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| United States |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Korea |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Malaysia |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oman |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

For any country-pair producing certain steel nails that is sometimes or never interchangeable, identify the country-pair and explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use:

IV-20. Factors other than price.--Are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, etc.) between certain steel nails produced in the United States and in other countries a significant factor in your firm's sales of the products?

Please indicate $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{F}, \mathrm{S}, \mathrm{N}$, or O in the table below:
$A=$ such differences are always significant
F = such differences are frequently significant
$\mathrm{S}=$ such differences are sometimes significant
$\mathrm{N}=$ such differences are never significant
$0=$ no familiarity with products from a specified country-pair

| Country-pair | Korea | Malaysia | Oman | Taiwan | Vietnam | China | Other <br> countries |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| United States |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Korea |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Malaysia |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oman |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| China |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

For any country-pair for which factors other than price always or frequently are a significant factor in your firm's sales of certain steel nails, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:
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IV-21. Customer identification.-- List the names and contact information for your firm's 10 largest U.S. customers for certain steel nails since January 1, 2012. Indicate the share of the quantity of your firm's total shipments of certain steel nails that each of these customers accounted for in 2014.

|  | Customer's name |  |  | StateShare of 2014 <br> sales (\%) <br> 1$\quad$ City |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 |  |  |  |  |
| 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 4 |  |  |  |  |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |
| 6 |  |  |  |  |
| 7 |  |  |  |  |
| 8 |  |  |  |  |
| 9 |  |  |  |  |
| 10 |  |  |  |  |

## IV-22. Competition from imports.--

(a) Lost revenue.--Since January 1, 2012: To avoid losing sales to competitors selling subject product from Korea, Malaysia, Oman, Taiwan, and Vietnam, did your firm:

|  | No | Yes |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Reduce prices | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Roll back announced price increases | $\square$ | $\square$ |

(b) Lost sales.--Since January 1, 2012: Did your firm lose sales of subject product to imports of this product from Korea, Malaysia, Oman, Taiwan, and Vietnam?

| No | Yes |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\square$ | $\square$ |

(c) The submission of lost sales/lost revenue allegations is to be completed only by NONPETITIONERS. (Note: petitioners may provide allegations involving quotes made AFTER the filing of the petition.) Please do not resubmit allegations provided previously.

If you indicated "yes" to any of the above, you can provide the Commission with additional information by downloading and completing the lost sales/lost revenues worksheet at http://usitc.gov/trade remedy/question.htm. Note that the Commission may contact the firms named to verify the allegations reported.

Is your firm submitting the lost sales/lost revenues worksheet?

| $\square$ | No-Please explain. |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\square$ | Yes-Please complete the worksheet and submit via the Commission dropbox. <br> https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/. (PIN: NAIL) |

IV-23. Other explanations.-- If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part IV that did not provide a narrative response box, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below. Please also use this space to highlight any issues your firm had in providing the data in this section, including but not limited to technical issues with the MS Word questionnaire.
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# HOW TO FILE YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE 


#### Abstract

This questionnaire is available as a "fillable" form in MS Word format on the Commission's website at: http://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2014/certain steel nails korea malaysia oman taiwan and/final.htm

Please do not attempt to modify the format or permissions of the questionnaire document. Please submit the completed questionnaire using one of the methods noted below. If your firm is unable to complete the MS Word questionnaire or cannot use one of the electronic methods of submission, please contact the Commission for further instructions.


- Upload via Secure Drop Box.-Upload the MS Word questionnaire along with a scanned copy of the signed certification page (page 1) through the Commission's secure upload facility:

Web address: https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/ Pin: NAIL

- E-mail.—E-mail your questionnaire to fred.ruggles@usitc.gov; include a scanned copy of the signed certification page (page 1). 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.

If your firm does not produce this product, please fill out page 1, print, sign, and submit a scanned copy to the Commission.

Parties to this proceeding.-If your firm is a party to this proceeding, you are required to serve a copy of the completed questionnaire on parties to the proceeding that are subject to administrative protective order (see 19 CFR §207.7). A list of such parties may be obtained from the Commission's Secretary (202-205-1803). A certificate of service must accompany the completed questionnaire you submit (see 19 CFR §207.7). Service of the questionnaire must be made in paper form.


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ The length of the duplex nail shaft is measured from the bottom of the lower shoulder to the point, rather than from the head on top of the nail.

