# **U.S. PURCHASERS' QUESTIONNAIRE**

# CERTAIN POLYETHYLENE TEREPHTHALATE RESIN FROM CANADA, CHINA, INDIA, AND OMAN

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by <u>January 5, 2016</u>

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/antidumping duty investigation(s) concerning Certain Polyethylene Terephthalate Resin (PET resin) from Canada, China, India, and Oman (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-531-533 and 731-TA-1270-1273 (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 possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)). Further information on this questionnaire can be obtained from John Benedetto (202-205-3270, john.benedetto@usitc.gov).

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#### PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

**Background.**--This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed on March 10, 2015, by DAK Americas LLC (Charlotte, NC), M&G Chemicals (Houston, TX), and Nan Ya Plastics Corporation, America (Lake City, SC). Countervailing and/or antidumping 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 subsidization/dumping. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at

http://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2015/certain\_polyethylene\_terephthalate\_resin\_canada/f\_inal.htm.

<u>Certain PET resin</u> covered by these investigations is polyethylene terephthalate (PET) resin having an intrinsic viscosity of at least 0.70, but not more than 0.88, deciliters per gram. The scope includes blends of virgin PET resin and recycled PET resin containing predominantly virgin PET resin content, provided such blends meet the intrinsic viscosity requirements above. The scope includes all PET resin meeting the above specifications regardless of additives introduced in the manufacturing process. The merchandise subject to these investigations is properly classified under statistical reporting number 3907.60.00.30 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise under investigation is dispositive.

<u>Purchaser</u>.--Any firm engaged, either directly or through a parent company or subsidiary, in purchasing PET resin from another firm that produces, imports, or otherwise distributes PET resin.

<u>Reporting of information</u>.-- 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.

<u>Confidentiality</u>.--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.

**<u>Verification.</u>**-- 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-1. OMB statistics.--Please report the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of completing this questionnaire.

Hours	Dollars

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 25 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.

I-2. <u>Establishments covered.</u>— Provide the name and address of your U.S. establishment(s) covered by this questionnaire, if different from that listed on the cover page. Firms operating more than one establishment should combine the data for all establishments into a single report.

facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physic	ally separate from) s	uch facilities.

"Establishment"--Each facility of a firm involved in the purchase of PET resin, including auxiliary

I-3.	OwnershipIs your firm owned.	in whole or in par	t, by any other firm?

No	YesList the following	information
<b>□</b> '''		miormation

Firm name	Address	Extent of ownership (percent)

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1.	Related SUBJECT importers/exportersDoes your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, which import PET resin from Canada, China, India, and/or Oman into the United States or which export PET resin from Canada, China, India, and/or Oman to the United States?						
	No YesList the following information.						
	Firm name	Address	Affiliation				
5.	domestic or foreign, which impo and/or Oman into the United St Canada, China, India, and/or On	s/exportersDoes your firm have an ort PET resin from countries other the sates or which export PET resin from nan to the United States?  If following information.	an Canada, China, India,				
	Firm name and country	Address	Affiliation				
•	Related producersDoes your produce PET resin?	firm have any related firms, either do	omestic or foreign, which				
	No YesList the	following information.					
	Firm name	Address	Affiliation				

#### **PART II.--PURCHASES**

Contact in	<u>formation</u> Please	identify the re	esponsible indiv	idual and the	manner by whi	ch Commission
staff may o	contact that individu	ual regarding t	the confidential	information	submitted in thi	s questionnaire.

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	
Fax	

II-1. <u>Purchases.</u>—Report your firm's total U.S. purchases of PET resin. (Do not include imports for which your firm was the importer of record; such imports should be reported in your U.S. importer's questionnaire.)

Item	2012	2013	2014
Purchases of PET resin produced in		Quantity (in pound	s)
United States			
Canada			
China			
India			
Oman			
Korea			
Mexico			
Taiwan			
All other countries: <sup>1</sup>			
Sources unknown			
<sup>1</sup> Please identify these countries:			

If you reported purchases from Canada, did your supplier provide your firm or show your firm a NAFTA certificate that identified the PET resin as a product of Canada?

No	Yes for all purchases of Canadian PET resin	Yes for some purchases of Canadian PET resin

When answering questions in this questionnaire, please base your answer on the country of origin of the material, not the location it was shipped from (if different, and to the best of your knowledge).

II-2. <u>Changes in purchasing patterns.</u>--Please indicate how the shares of your firm's purchases of PET resin from different sources have changed since January 1, 2012.

Source of purchases	Did not purchase	Decreased	Increased	Constant	Fluctuated	Explanation for trend
United States						
Canada						
China						
India						
Oman						
Korea						
Mexico						
Taiwan						
All other countries						
Sources unknown						

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_		our firm's <b>FIVE</b> largest suppliers for PE	
	012. Also, provide the share of the hof these suppliers accounted for	e quantity of your firm's total purchas r in 2014.	ses of PET resin tha
No.	Supplier's name	City and state	Share of quantity 2014 purchase
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
(a)	accounted for by U.S. inland trans	rage of the total cost of PET resin you sportation and other logistics costs frontion network or production facility?	
		ution network or production facility?	percent.
	If the percentages reported about	e varied since January 2012, please ex	volain

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	that apply	,.						
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	End use (sheets a packagin	nd S	nd user trapping)	Distributor	Other		Describe other	
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If your firm is an end user of PET resin, please answer questions III-4 and III-5.

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

	Share of total cost in each of the product(s) your firm produces accounted for by			<b>Total</b> (should	
Product(s) your firm					sum to 100.0%
produces	PET resin		Other inputs		across)
	0/		0/		0.0.0
	%	+	%	=	0.0 %
	%	+	%	=	0.0 %
	%	+	%	=	0.0 %

III-4b. **End uses.**—Do all sources of PET resin supply product for all end uses for which your firm purchases PET resin?

PET resin source	Offers to supply PET resin in all your firm's end uses	Does not offer to supply PET resin in all your firm's end uses	List end uses in which source does not offer to supply PET resin
United States			
Canada			
China			
India			
Oman			
Other			

III-5.	<b>Demand for</b>	end use	products

(a) Has the demand for your firm's final products incorporating PET resin changed since January 1, 2012?

Increased	No change	Decreased	Fluctuated

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

No	Yes	Explain

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III-6. <u>Substitutes</u>	-Can other	products b	e substitute	ed for P	ET res	in?	
□ N	0	YesPle	ease fill out	the tal	ole.		
	Fi	nd use in w	hich this	Have changes in the price of this substitute affected the price for PET resin?			
Substitute		substitute		No	Yes		Explanation
1.							
2.							
3.							
States (if kno	III-7. <u>Demand trends.</u> Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for PET resin has changed since January 1, 2012. Explain any trends and describe the principal factors that have affected these changes in demand.						
Market	Overall increase	No change	Overall decrease	wit	tuate h no trend	Explanation and factors	
Within the United States							
Outside the United States							
percentage o	III-8. <u>Importance of purchasing domestic product.</u> —Please fill out the table below, estimating the percentage of your firm's total 2014 purchases of PET resin that required PET resin produced in the United States.						
	Estimated percentage of your firm's total 2014 purchases of PET resin						
Purchases that did n							%
	Purchases that were required by law or regulation to be domestic product (e.g., government purchases under "Buy American" provisions)  %					%	
	Purchases that were not required by law or regulation, but were required by your customers to be domestic product  %						
Purchases that were (explain: )	required t	o be dome	stic produc	t for ot	her re	easons	%
Total (should su	um to 100.0	)%)					0.0 %

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III-9.	<b>Conditions</b>	of com	petition

(a)	Is the PET resin market subject to business cycles (other than general economy-wide
	conditions) and/or other conditions of competition distinctive to PET resin?

Check all that apply.			Please describe.
r	No. Skip to q	uestion III-10.	
	es-Business easonal bus		
	es-U.S. proc elated to for	lucers are eign producers	
l — '	Yes-Prices are based on changing raw material prices		
	Yes-Other distinctive conditions of competition		
(b) Have there been any changes in resin since January 1, 2012?			the business cycles or conditions of competition for PET
No	Yes	If yes, describe.	

III-10. <u>Decisions based on producer and country-of-origin.</u>—How often does your firm, and if known, do your customers, make purchasing decisions involving PET resin based on its producer or country of origin?

	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	If at least sometimes, explain.		
	Decision based on producer						
Your firm							
Your customers							
		Decis	ion based on c	ountry of	origin		
Your firm							
Your customers							

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(a)	How f	we	ntly (	does y	lonthly	Quarterly	Annually	Other	· 1
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III-16.	Change	in suppli	ersHas y	our firm changed suppliers since January 1, 2012?
		No		yes, please list the supplier(s), whether the firm was added or opped, and the reasons for the change
III-17.	-	-	-	vare of any new suppliers, either foreign or domestic, that have inuary 1, 2012?
	No	Yes	If yes, pl	ease identify the firms
III-18.		-	ationDo to your firm	you require your suppliers to be or to become certified or qualified n?
	•	The num A genera descripti	ber of days I description	information.  To qualify a new supplier.  To nof the certification or qualification process. Also, a brief  The actors that you consider when qualifying a new supplier (e.g., quality  The supplier, etc.).
	No	Yes	Number of days	Process and factors
III-19.		s to certi	fy or qualif	nuary 1, 2012, have any domestic or foreign producers failed in their by their PET resin with your firm or have any producers lost their
	No	Yes		ease identify these firms, the countries where they are located,

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Please list any other factors that ar	e very important in	your purchase de	cisions:
<u>Purchasing factors.</u> Please rate the purchasing decisions for PET resin.	importance of the f	following factors i	n your firm's
Factor	Very important	Somewhat important	Not important
Availability			
Delivery terms			
Delivery time			
Delivery by rail			
Discounts offered			
Extension of credit			
Minimum quantity requirements			
Packaging			
Price			
Product consistency			
Product range			
Quality exceeds industry standards			
Quality meets industry standards			
Reliability of supply			
Technical support/service			
U.S. transportation costs			

III-23.	Frequency of decisions based on priceHow often does your firm purchase the PET resin that is
	offered at the lowest price?

Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never

III-24. **Price leaders.**— A price leader is defined as (1) one or more firms that initiate a price change, either upward or downward, that is followed by other firms, or (2) one or more firms that have a significant impact on prices. A price leader is not necessarily the lowest-priced supplier.

Please list the names of any firms you considered price leaders in the PET resin market since January 1, 2012.

Firm(s)	Describe how the firm(s) exhibited price leadership

# III-25. Switching to imports.—

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(a) Since January 2014, did your firm switch any of its purchases from U.S.-produced PET resin to imports of PET resin from Canada, China, India, Oman, Korea, Mexico, Taiwan, and/or other countries? Respond for each listed country.

Source	Yes (also respond to parts (b) and (c))	No (If "No" for all countries, skip to next question)
Canada		
China		
India		
Oman		
Korea		
Mexico		
Taiwan		
Other nonsubject		

(b) If you responded "Yes" to part (a), was the imported product priced lower than the domestic product?

Source	Yes	No
Canada		
China		
India		
Oman		
Korea		
Mexico		
Taiwan		
Other nonsubject		

(c) If you responded "Yes" to part (a), was price a primary reason for the shift?

Source	Yes	If Yes, estimate the quantity of purchases that your firm shifted to imports since January 2014 because of price (in pounds)	No	If No, please indicate the reason for the shift
Canada				
China				
India				
Oman				
Korea				
Mexico				
Taiwan				
Other nonsubject				

# III-26. U.S. producers and import competition.—

(a) Since January 1, 2012, did U.S. producers reduce their prices of domestically produced PET resin in order to compete with lower-priced imports of PET resin from subject and/or nonsubject countries? Respond for each listed country.

Source	Yes (also respond to question part (b))	No (If "No" for all countries, skip to next question)	Don't know
Canada			
China			
India			
Oman			
Korea			
Mexico			
Taiwan			
Other nonsubject			

(b) If your firm responded "yes" to any of the above countries, please provide an estimate of the reduction in U.S. producers' prices, and any additional explanations, such as timing (e.g., months/years), frequency of price reductions, or other market/competitive factors.

Source	Estimated reduction in U.S. prices (percent)	Additional explanation, include such information as timing (e.g., months/years), frequency of price reductions, or other market/competitive factors
Canada	%	
China	%	
India	%	
Oman	%	

II-27.			•	knowledge, how have changes in the prices of the raw affected the price of PET resin since January 1, 2012?
	Does you	ır firm a	ilso produce some o	rall of the raw materials used to produce PET resin?
	No	Yes	If yes, please des	cribe which ones

III-28.	Geographical shipments.—Is PET resin from the United States, Canada, China, India, and/o
	Oman available in your firm's geographic region?

PET resin source	Not available	Available	Additional information on availability
United States			
Canada			
China			
India			
Oman			
Other			

# III-29. Rail and other transportation.—

Does your firm have its PET resin purchases delivered to your facility by rail car?

No	If yes, please estimate how much of your firm's PET resin is delivered by rail car and indicate whether all sources (U.S., Canada, China, India, and Oman) can supply PET resin by rail car

Is your firm aware of any other transportation-related issues that affect the supply of PET resin to your firm?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe

III-30. <u>Capacity for delivery.</u>—Does your firm have the capacity to receive PET resin in multiple delivery forms (e.g., rail direct to yard, bulk truck, or big bags)?

No	If yes, please list all possible forms and describe which is most preferred by your firm

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#### PART IV.—PRODUCT COMPARISONS

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

United States	Canada	China	India	Oman	Other countries	Other countries (specify)

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

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

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

F = the products are *frequently* interchangeable

S = the products are *sometimes* interchangeable

N = the products are *never* interchangeable

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

Country- pair	Canada	China	India	Oman	Other countries
United States					
Canada					
China					
India					
Oman					
		-	ich is sometimes ors that limit or		nangeable, please nangeable use:

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IV-3. **Factors other than price.**--Are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, etc.) between PET resin 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	Canada	China	India	Oman	Other countries
United States					
Canada					
China					
India					
Oman					

For any country-pair for which factors other than price *always* or *frequently* are a significant factor in your firm's sales of PET resin, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:

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IV-4.	<u>Country preferences.</u> Do you or your customers ever specifically order PET resin from one country in particular over other possible sources of supply?							
	No	Yes	If yes, identify the countries and explain.					
IV-5.	Availabil certain c	-	erchandiseAre certain grades/types/sizes of PET resin available frources?	om only				
	No	Yes	If yes, please identify the countries and the grade/type/size.					
IV-6.	although	a compa	t not based on priceIf you purchased PET resin from one country arable product was available from another country source at a loweur reasons for doing so (please specify by country).					

IV-7. <u>Factor country comparisons.</u>--For the factors listed below, please rate how PET resin produced in each country you identified in your response to the first question in Part IV compares with PET resin produced in each of the other countries you identified.

	Uni comp re	PET resin from United States compared to PET resin from Canada			PET resin from <u>United States</u> compared to PET  resin from <u>China</u>			PET resin from United States compared to PET resin from India		
Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	
Availability										
Delivery terms										
Delivery time										
Ability to ship by rail										
Discounts offered										
Extension of credit										
Minimum quantity requirements										
Packaging										
Price <sup>1</sup>										
Product consistency										
Product range										
Quality exceeds industry standards										
Quality meets industry standards										
Reliability of supply										
Technical support/service										
U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup>										

<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.

	<u>Un</u> com	PET resin from <u>United States</u> compared to PET  resin from <u>Oman</u>		PET resin from <u>United States</u> compared to PET  resin from <u>Nonsubject</u> <u>countries</u>			PET resin from <u>Canada</u> compared to PET resin from <u>China</u>		
Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability									
Delivery terms									
Delivery time									
Ability to ship by rail									
Discounts offered									
Extension of credit									
Minimum quantity requirements									
Packaging									
Price <sup>1</sup>									
Product consistency									
Product range									
Quality exceeds industry standards									
Quality meets industry standards									
Reliability of supply									
Technical support/service									
U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup>									

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	PET resin from <u>Canada</u> compared to PET resin from <u>India</u>			PET resin from Canada compared to PET resin from Oman			PET resin from <u>Canada</u> compared to PET resin from <u>Nonsubject</u> <u>countries</u>		
Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability									
Delivery terms									
Delivery time									
Ability to ship by rail									
Discounts offered									
Extension of credit									
Minimum quantity requirements									
Packaging									
Price <sup>1</sup>									
Product consistency									
Product range									
Quality exceeds industry standards									
Quality meets industry standards									
Reliability of supply									
Technical support/service									
U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup>									
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	PET resin from China compared to PET resin from India		PET resin from <u>China</u> compared to PET  resin from <u>Oman</u>			PET resin from <u>China</u> compared to PET resin from <u>Nonsubject</u> <u>countries</u>			
Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability									
Delivery terms									
Delivery time									
Ability to ship by rail									
Discounts offered									
Extension of credit									
Minimum quantity requirements									
Packaging									
Price <sup>1</sup>									
Product consistency									
Product range									
Quality exceeds industry standards									
Quality meets industry standards									
Reliability of supply									
Technical support/service									
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	com	PET resin from India compared to PET resin from Oman		PET resin from India compared to PET resin from Nonsubject countries			PET resin from Oman compared to PET resin from Nonsubject countries		
Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability									
Delivery terms									
Delivery time									
Ability to ship by rail									
Discounts offered									
Extension of credit									
Minimum quantity requirements									
Packaging									
Price <sup>1</sup>									
Product consistency									
Product range									
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U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup>									

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IV-9.

IV-8.	Minimum qualityHow often does PET resin from the following countries meet minimum
	quality specifications for your uses or your customers' uses?

Source	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Rarely or never	Don't know			
United States								
Canada								
China								
India								
Oman								
Other:								
Other explanationsIf your firm would like to further explain a response to any question that did not provide a narrative response box, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below.								

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