

LOST SALES AND LOST REVENUE SURVEY

FERROVANADIUM FROM KOREA

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by **April 11, 2016**

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 antidumping duty investigation concerning ferrovanadium from Korea (Inv. No. 731-TA-1315 (Preliminary)). 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)). Further information on this survey can be obtained from Michele Breaux (202-205-2781, Michele.Breaux@usitc.gov).

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| Name of firm | _____ |
| Address | _____ |
| City | _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ |
| Website | _____ |
| Has your firm purchased ferrovanadium (as defined on next page) at any time since January 1, 2013? | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NO | (Sign the certification below and promptly return only this page of the survey to the Commission) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> YES | (Complete all parts of the survey, and return the entire survey to the Commission) |
| Return questionnaire via the U.S. International Trade Commission <i>Drop Box</i> by clicking on the following link: https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/ . (PIN: FeV) | |

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information herein supplied in this survey 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 submitting this certification I also grant consent for the Commission, and its employees and contract personnel, to use the information provided in this survey and throughout this proceeding in any other import-injury proceedings conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that information submitted in response to this request for information and throughout this investigation or other proceeding may be disclosed to and used: (i) by the Commission, its employees and Offices, and contract personnel (a) for developing or maintaining the records of this or a related proceeding, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, reviews, and evaluations relating to the programs, personnel, and operations of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3; or (ii) by U.S. government employees and contract personnel, solely for cybersecurity purposes. I understand that all contract personnel will sign appropriate nondisclosure agreements.

Name of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

Date

Signature

Phone

Email address

GENERAL INFORMATION

Background. This proceeding was instituted in response to petitions filed on March 28, 2016, by the Vanadium Producers and Reclaimers Association and its members: AMG Vanadium, LLC, Cambridge, Ohio; Bear Metallurgical Company, Butler, Pennsylvania; Gulf Chemical & Metallurgical Corporation, Freeport, Texas; and Evraz Stratcor, Inc., Hot Springs, Arkansas. Countervailing and antidumping duties may be assessed on the subject imports as a result of this proceeding 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 and/or dumping. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at http://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2016/ferrovanadium_korea/preliminary.htm.

Ferrovanadium covered by these investigations is all ferrovanadium regardless of grade (i.e. percentage of contained vanadium), chemistry, form, shape, or size. Ferrovanadium is an alloy of iron and vanadium that is used chiefly as an additive in the manufacture of steel. The merchandise is commercially and scientifically identified as ferrovanadium. It specifically excludes vanadium additives other than ferrovanadium, such as nitrided vanadium, vanadium aluminum master alloys, vanadium chemicals, vanadium oxides, vanadium waste and scrap, and vanadium-bearing raw materials such as spent hydrotreating and hydrorefining catalyst, slag, boiler residues and fly ash.

Ferrovanadium is classified under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (“HTSUS”) subheading 7202.92.00. Goods provided for in HTSUS subheading 2850.00.20 (certain compounds of vanadium) or subheadings 8112.92.70 and 8112.99.20 (unwrought vanadium or vanadium powders, waste or scrap) are specifically excluded. Although the HTSUS item number is provided for convenience and Customs purposes, the written description of the scope of this investigation remains dispositive.

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

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.

Contact information.--Please identify the responsible individual and the manner by which Commission staff may contact that individual regarding the confidential information submitted in this survey. This may or may not be the person whose signature is at the bottom of page 1.

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| Name | |
| Title | |
| Email | |
| Telephone | |

PURCHASE INFORMATION

1. **Purchases.**—Report your firm’s total U.S. purchases of ferrovandium. Estimates are acceptable.

| Item | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
|--|-----------------------------|------|------|
| Purchases of ferrovandium produced in-- | Quantity (in pounds) | | |
| United States | | | |
| Korea | | | |
| All other countries:¹ | | | |
| Sources unknown | | | |
| ¹ Please identify these countries: | | | |

2. **Changes in purchasing patterns.**— Please indicate how the shares of your firm’s purchases of ferrovandium from different sources have changed since January 1, 2013.

| Source of purchases | Did not purchase | Decreased | Increased | Constant | Fluctuated | Explanation for trend |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| United States | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Korea | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| All other countries | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Sources unknown | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

3. **Major purchasing factors.**--Please list, in order of their importance, the main factors your firm considers in deciding from whom to purchase ferrovanadium.

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| 1. | |
| 2. | |
| 3. | |
| Please list any other factors that are very important in your purchase decisions: | |

4. **Switching to imports.**—

(a) Since January 2013, did your firm switch any of its purchases from U.S.-produced ferrovanadium to imports of ferrovanadium from Korea?

(b)

| Source | Yes (also respond to parts (b) and (c)) | No (If "No," skip to next question) |
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| Korea | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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

| Source | Yes | No |
|--------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Korea | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

(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 2013 because of price (in pounds) | No | If No, please indicate the reason for the shift |
|--------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|---|
| Korea | <input type="checkbox"/> | | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

5. **U.S. producers and import competition.**—

(a) Since January 1, 2013, in connection with a sale or offer to sell ferrovanadium to your firm, did U.S. producers reduce their prices of domestically produced ferrovanadium in order to compete with lower-priced imports of ferrovanadium from subject countries?

| Source | Yes (also respond to question part (b)) | No (If “No,” skip to next question) | Don’t know |
|--------|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Korea | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

(b) If your firm responded “yes,” 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, including such information as timing (e.g., months/years), frequency of price reductions, or other market/competitive factors |
|--------|--|---|
| Korea | % | |

6. **Other explanations**--Please provide any additional comments in this box.

OMB INFORMATION

7. **OMB statistics.**--Please report the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of completing this survey.

| Hours | Dollars |
|-------|---------|
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The questions in this survey 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 survey is estimated to average 4 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering data, and completing and reviewing the survey.

We welcome comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate, suggestions for reducing the burden, and any suggestions for improving this survey. Please attach such comments to your response or send to the Office of Investigations, USITC, 500 E St. SW, Washington, DC 20436.

HOW TO FILE YOUR SURVEY RESPONSE

Please do not attempt to modify the format or permissions of the survey document.

Please submit the completed survey using one of the methods noted below. If your firm is unable to complete the MS Word survey 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 survey 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/>
- **Enter Investigation:** Select “**INVESTIGATION-SPECIFIC MENU ITEM**” in the drop down menu
- **Pin:** **FeV**

- **E-mail.**—E-mail the MS Word survey to Michele.Breaux@usitc.gov; include a scanned copy of the signed certification page (page 1). *Submitters are strongly encouraged to encrypt nonpublic documents that are electronically transmitted to the Commission to protect your sensitive information from unauthorized disclosure. The USITC secure drop-box system and the Electronic Document Information System (EDIS) use Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 140-2 cryptographic algorithms to encrypt data in transit. Submitting your nonpublic documents by a means that does not use these encryption algorithms (such as by email) may subject your firm’s nonpublic information to unauthorized disclosure during transmission. If you choose a non-encrypted method of electronic transmission, the Commission warns you that the risk of such possible unauthorized disclosure is assumed by you and not by the Commission.*

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