LOST SALES AND LOST REVENUE SURVEY

SILICON METAL FROM AUSTRALIA, BRAZIL, KAZAKHSTAN, AND NORWAY

This survey must be received by the Commission by March 22, 2017

See last page for filing instructions.

The information called for in this survey is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its countervailing duty and antidumping investigations concerning silicon metal from Australia, Brazil, Kazakhstan, and Norway (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-567-569 and 731-TA-1343-1345 (Preliminary)). The information requested in the survey 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 survey can be obtained from Lauren Gamache (202-205-3489, Lauren.Gamache@usitc.gov).

Name of fir	m	
Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Website		
Has your firn	n purchased silicon metal (as defined on next page)	at any time since January 1, 2014?
□ NO	(Sign the certification below and promptly return only	y this page of the survey to the Commission)
☐ YES	(Complete all parts of the survey, and return the entire	re survey to the Commission)
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nature	Phone	Email address

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Background.--This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed on March 8, 2017, by Globe Specialty Metals, Inc., Beverly, Ohio. Countervailing and 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 ("Commerce") makes affirmative determinations of subsidization and/or dumping. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at

https://usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2017/silicon_metal_australia_brazil_kazakhstan_and/preliminary.htm.

<u>Silicon metal</u> covered by these investigations is all forms and sizes of silicon metal, including silicon metal powder. Silicon metal contains at least 85.00 percent but less than 99.99 percent silicon, and less than 4.00 percent iron, by actual weight. Semiconductor grade silicon (merchandise containing at least 99.99 percent silicon by actual weight and classifiable under HTSUS subheading 2804.61.0000) is excluded from the scope of these investigations.

Silicon metal is currently imported under statistical reporting numbers 2804.69.1000 and 2804.69.5000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). The HTSUS provisions are for convenience and customs purposes; the written description of the scope is dispositive.

Reporting of information.-- If information is not readily available from your records, provide carefully prepared estimates.

<u>Confidentiality</u>.--The data furnished in response to this survey 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.

Release of information.--The information provided by your firm in response to this survey, 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. Please also retain a copy of the final document that you submit.

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

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	

PURCHASE INFORMATION

1. <u>Purchases</u>.—Report your firm's total U.S. purchases of silicon metal. Estimates are acceptable.

	2014	2015	2016
Item	Qu	antity (in short to	ns)
Purchases of silicon metal produced in			
United States			
Australia			
Brazil			
Kazakhstan			
Norway			
All other countries:1			
Sources unknown			
Total purchases	0	0	0
¹ Please identify these countries:			

2. <u>Changes in purchasing patterns.</u>—Please indicate how the shares of your firm's purchases of silicon metal from different sources have changed since January 1, 2014.

Source of purchases	Did not purchase	Decreased	Increased	Constant	Fluctuated	Explanation for trend
United States						
Australia						
Brazil						
Kazakhstan						
Norway						
All other countries						

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F	Please list any other	er factors that are very important in yo	our purchase decisions:
	(a) Since . Brazil,		roducts.— mports of silicon metal from Australia, f U.Sproduced silicon metal? Respond for
			No
		Yes	(If "No" for all countries, skip to next
	Source	(also respond to parts (b) and (c))	question)
	Australia		
	Brazil		
	Kazakhstan		
Norway			
	dome	stic product?	mported product priced lower than the
	Source	Yes	No
	Australia		
	Brazil		
	1		
	Kazakhstan		

4.	Purchasing sub	ject imports	rather than	domestic	products.	—Continued.
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(c) If you responded "Yes" to part (a), was price a primary reason for purchasing subject imports rather than domestic product?

Source	Yes	If Yes, estimate the quantity of imports purchased instead of domestic product since January 2014 (in short tons of contained silicon)	No	If No, please indicate the reason your firm purchased imports instead of domestic product
Australia				
Brazil				
Kazakhstan				
Norway				

5. <u>U.S. producers and import competition.</u>—

(a) Since January 1, 2014, in connection with a sale or offer to sell silicon metal to your firm, did U.S. producers reduce their prices of domestically produced silicon metal in order to compete with lower-priced imports of silicon metal from the subject countries? Respond for each subject country.

Source	Yes (also respond to question part (b))	No (If "No" for all countries, skip to next question)	Don't know
Australia			
Brazil			
Kazakhstan			
Norway			

- 5. <u>U.S. producers and import competition</u>.—*Continued*.
 - (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, including such information as timing (e.g., months/years), frequency of price reductions, or other market/competitive factors
Australia	%	
Brazil	%	
Kazakhstan	%	
Norway	%	

6.	<u>Method of purchase</u> Please provide a general description of your firm's method(s) of purchase (e.g., individual purchase, contract, bids, Internet purchases, etc.) for silicon metal.
7.	Other explanationsPlease 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

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.

• <u>Upload via Secure Drop Box.</u>— 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: SIMN

• E-mail.—E-mail the MS Word survey to Lauren.Gamache@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 <u>did not </u>**purchase this product**, please fill out page 1, print, sign, and submit a scanned copy to the Commission.