FOREIGN PRODUCERS'/EXPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

SUPERCALENDERED PAPER FROM CANADA

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by September 14, 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 investigation concerning supercalendered paper from Canada (Inv. No. 701-TA-530 (Final)). The information requested in the questionnaire is requested under the authority of the Tariff Act of 1930, title VII.

Name of firm

Address		
Website		
Has your firm produce since January 1, 2012?	ed or exported supercalendered paper ("SC pa	aper") (as defined on next page) at any time
□ NO (Sign th	ne certification below and promptly return only thi	s page of the questionnaire to the Commission)
YES (Compl	ete all parts of the questionnaire, and return the e	ntire questionnaire to the Commission)
	re via the Commission <i>Drop Box</i> by clicki tc.gov/oinv/. (PIN: SCPP)	ng on the following link:
	CERTIFICATION	
knowledge and belief and under By means of this certification I	stand that the information submitted is subj also grant consent for the Commission, ar estionnaire and throughout this proceeding	onnaire is complete and correct to the best of my ect to audit and verification by the Commission. Ind its employees and contract personnel, to use the in any other import-injury proceedings conducted by
Commission, its employees, and maintaining the records of this p	contract personnel who are acting in the coroceeding or related proceedings for which to grams and operations of the Commission pu	and throughout this proceeding may be used by the apacity of Commission employees, for developing or this information is submitted, or in internal audits and arsuant to 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3. I understand that all
Name of Authorized Official	Title of Authorized Official	Date
	Phone:	
Signature	Fax:	Email address

PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

Background. This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed on February 26, 2015, by Madison Paper Industries, Madison, ME and Verso Corporation, Memphis, TN. 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 subsidization. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at:

http://usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2015/supercalendered paper canada/final.htm

Supercalendered Paper ("SC Paper") or the "subject product" covered by these investigations is defined as: SC Paper is uncoated paper that has undergone a calendering process in which the base sheet, made of pulp and filler, (typically clay, talc, or other mineral additive), is processed through a set of supercalenders, a supercalender, or a soft nip calender operation. Supercalendering and soft nip calendering processing, in conjunction with the mineral filler contained in the base paper, are performed to enhance the surface characteristics of the paper by imparting a smooth and glossy printing surface. Supercalendering and soft nip calendering also increase the density of the base paper.

The scope of this petition covers all SC Paper regardless of basis weight, brightness, opacity, smoothness, or grade, and whether in rolls or in sheets. The scope covers all uncoated paper that that meets the scope definition regardless of the type of pulp fiber or filler material used to produce the paper.

SC Paper is typically (but not exclusively) used for retail catalogs and flyers, magazines, Sunday newspaper inserts, and other advertising circulars, magazines and catalogues, directories, direct mail advertising, coupons, and corporate brochures.

<u>Specifically excluded from the scope are imports of paper printed with final content of printed text or graphics.</u>

Until July 1, 2014, the products covered by these investigations were classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTS") under statistical reporting numbers 4802.61.3010 and 4802.61.3090. Recently a tariff breakout covering SC Paper over 40 grams per square meter was established. This statistical subheading, which became effective on July 1, 2014, is 4802.61.3035. SC Paper of less than 40 grams per square meter continues to be covered in 4802.61.3010. Thus, subject imports are currently entered under either HTS 4802.61.3010 or 4802.61.3035. Although the HTS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of the investigation is dispositive.

<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, purchaser and/or foreign producer 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.

Hours	Dollars	<u></u>
issues of concer and as limited as 20 hours per re	n are adequately a possible. Public re	have been reviewed with market participants to ensure addressed and that data requests are sufficient, meaning porting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average the time for reviewing instructions, gathering data, tionnaire.
reducing the bur	den, and any sugge ur response or send	the accuracy of this burden estimate, suggestions for estions for improving this questionnaire. Please attach sud to the Office of Investigations, USITC, 500 E St. SW,
		the name and address of establishment(s) covered by this ly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading
paper, including separate from) s	auxiliary facilities c uch facilities. Firms	firm in Canada involved in the production or export of Soperated in conjunction with (whether or not physically operating more than one establishment in Canada shou ents into a single report.
•		r firm or any related firm produce, have the capability to uce SC paper in the United States or other countries?
□ No [YesPlease nan	ne the firm(s) and country(ies) below and, if U.S. produce they complete the Commission's producer questionnain

I-4.		<u>Related U.S. importers</u> Does your firm or any related firm import or have any plans to import SC paper into the United States?					
	No	YesPlease name the firm(s) below and ensure that they complete the Commission's importer questionnaire.					

I-5. <u>U.S. importers</u>.--Please provide the names, street addresses (not P.O. boxes), contacts, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses of the <u>FIVE</u> largest U.S. importers of your firm's SC paper in 2014.

Importer's name		Contact person	Email	Telephone	Street address (not P.O. box), city, state, and zip code	Share of your firm's 2014 U.S. exports (%)
1					Street Address , City State Zip Code	
2					Street Address , City State Zip Code	
3					Street Address , City State Zip Code	
4					Street Address , City State Zip Code	
5					Street Address , City State Zip Code	

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Christopher J. Cassise (202-708-5408, chris.cassise@usitc.gov). **Supply all data requested on a** <u>calendar-year</u> **basis**.

N		<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 part II.					
	Name						
	Title						
	Email						
	Telephone						
	Fax						

II-2. <u>Changes in operations.</u>—Please indicate whether your firm has experienced any of the following changes in relation to the production of SC paper since January 1, 2012.

(che	ck as many as appropriate)	(please describe)
	plant openings	
	plant closings	
	relocations	
	expansions	
	acquisitions	
	consolidations	
	prolonged shutdowns or production curtailments	
	revised labor agreements	
	other (<i>e.g.,</i> technology)	

I-3.		<u>Anticipated changes in operations.</u> Does your firm anticipate any changes in the character of its operations or organization (as noted above) relating to the production of SC paper in the future?						
	□ No	Yes—Supply details as to the time, nature, and significance of such changes and provide underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation that address this issue. Include in the response a specific projection of your firm's capacity to produce SC paper (in short tons) for 2015 and 2016.						

II-4a. Overall capacity and production.-- Please report your firm's production of products made on the same equipment and machinery used to produce SC paper, and the combined production capacity on this shared equipment and machinery.

"Average production capacity" or "capacity" –The level of production that your establishment(s) could reasonably have expected to attain during the specified periods for all products manufactured in that establishment using the same manufacturing equipment. 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).

Quantity (in short tons)								
	Calendar years January-June							
ltem	2012	2013	2014	2014	2015			
Overall production capacity								
Production of: SC paper ¹	0	0	0	0	0			
Other products ²								
Total	0	0	0	0	0			

¹ Data entered for production of product will populate here once reported in question II-7.

"Production" -- All production in your establishment(s) in Canada, including production consumed internally within your firm.

II-4b.	Operating parameters. The pro	oduction capacity (se	e definitions in instruction b	ooklet) reported in
	II-4a is based on operating	hours per week,	weeks per year.	

² Please identify these products: _____.

	action constraintsPlease describe the constraint(s) that set the limit(s) on your firm's action capacity.
Produ	uct shifting.—
(i).	Is your firm able to switch production (capacity) between SC paper and other products the same equipment and/or labor?
	No Yes (i.e., have produced other products or are able to produce oth products). Please identify other actual or potential products:
(ii).	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.
	of salesWhat percentage of your firm's total sales in its most recent fiscal year was sented by sales of SC paper? percent
produ	s estimated share of production in Canada Please estimate the percentage of total action of SC paper in the country specified on the certification page accounted for by your production in 2014 percent

II-8.	<u>Inventories in the United States.</u> Has your firm, since January 1, 2012, maintained any inventories of SC paper in the United States (not including inventories held by firms identified in questionI-3)?								
	"Inventories" Finished goods inventory, not raw materials or work in progress.								
	No YesReport the quantity of such end-of-period inventories below.								
			Quantity (in	short tons)					
			Calendar year		Januar	y-June			
	Item	2012	2013	2014	2014	2015			
Invent	tory								
	antidumping/countervailing duty/safeguard findings, remedies, or proceedings? No YesList the products(s), countries affected, and the date of such findings/remedies/proceedings.								
II-10.	Unfilled ord SC paper?	<mark>ders</mark> .—Since Janua	ary 1, 2012, was y	our firm unable	to fill any custom	er order(s) for			
	No YesPlease provide the customer, the date, the quantity, and the value of any unfilled orders. Also provide any explanation regarding why those orders were unfilled and the actions your firm took as a result.								

Definitions

<u>Do not submit data by manufacturing facility if they are in the same country.</u> If your firm has multiple manufacturing establishments within one country, you are required to combine data for those establishments within one foreign producer questionnaire response.

"Shipments"--Shipments of products produced in your establishment(s) in Canada. Quantities reported should be net of returns.

"Home market commercial shipments"--Shipments, other than internal consumption and transfers to related firms, within Canada.

"Home market internal consumption/transfers to related firms"--Shipments made to related firms in Canada, including product consumed internally by your firm.

"Export shipments"--Shipments to destinations outside Canada, including shipments to related firms.

"Inventories" -- Finished goods inventory, not raw materials or work-in-progress.

Note: As requested in Part I of this questionnaire, please keep all supporting documents/records used in the preparation of the trade data, as Commission staff may contact your firm regarding questions on the trade data. The Commission may also request that your company submit copies of the supporting documents/records (such as production and sales schedules, inventory records, etc.) used to compile these data.

II-11. <u>Trade data</u>.--Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of SC paper in your establishment(s) in Canada during the specified periods. Please report value data in thousands of U.S. dollars and <u>not</u> Canadian dollars.

	Quantity (in	short tons)	; Value <i>(1,0</i>	00s of USD)		
		Act		Proje	ctions ¹		
	C	alendar yea	ar year January-June		ry-June	Calendar year	
Item	2012	2013	2014	2014	2015	2015	2016
Average production capacity ² (A) Quantity							
Beginning-of-period inventories (B) <i>Quantity</i>							
Production (C) Quantity							
Home market shipments: Internal consumption/ transfers Quantity (D)							
Value (E)							
Commercial shipments: Quantity (F)							
Value (G)							
Export shipments: to the United States Quantity (H)							
Value (I) ³							
to all other markets ⁴ <i>Quantity</i> (J)							
Value (L)							
Total export quantity (M) (should automatically equal H+J)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total shipment quantity (N) (should automatically D+G+H+J)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
End-of-period inventories (O) Quantity							
Average conversion USD/CAD rate used (P) ⁵							

Table footnotes next page

II-11.	Trade	data	Continued
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¹ Please explain the basis for your firm's projections ² The production capacity reported is based on operating hours per week, weeks per year. Please describe the methodology used to calculate production capacity, and explain any changes in reported capacity ³ What has been the impact on the exchange rate for converting Canadian to U.S. dollars (USD/CAD) on your firm's					
exports to the United States over the period? 4 Identify principal other export markets					
⁵ Leave blank if your firm's accounting records are kept in U.S. dollars and conversion rates are not applicable. Otherwise, please report the average conversion rate USD/CAD, or number of Canadian dollars needed in period to purchase one U.S. dollar, that your firm used to convert reported values into U.S. dollars.					

RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, PRODUCTION, AND INVENTORY.—Generally, the data reported for the end-of-period inventories (i.e., line J) 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.

	Actual experience					Projections	
	Calendar year			January-June		Calendar year	
Item	2012	2013	2014	2014	2015	2015	2016
B + C - D - F - H -J - O = should equal zero ("0") or provide an explanation. ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

¹ Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate.

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.

HOW TO FILE YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE

This questionnaire is available as a "fillable" form in MS Word format on the Commission's website at:

http://usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2015/supercalendered paper canada/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.

• <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: SCPP

• E-mail.—E-mail your questionnaire to chris.cassise@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 <u>did not</u> produce or export SC paper, please fill out page 1, print, sign, and submit a scanned copy to the Commission.

<u>Parties to this proceeding</u>.—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.