

## U.S. IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

### STAINLESS STEEL WIRE ROD FROM ITALY, JAPAN, KOREA, SPAIN, AND TAIWAN

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by March 23, 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 review of the antidumping duty order concerning SS Wire Rod from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan (Inv. No. 731-TA-770-773 and 775 (Third Review)). 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)).

<p>Name of firm _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____</p> <p>Website _____</p> <p>Has your firm imported SS Wire Rod (as defined on the next page) from any Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan at any time since January 1, 2016?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>NO</b> (Sign the certification below and promptly return only this page of the questionnaire to the Commission)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>YES</b> (Complete all parts of the questionnaire, and return the entire questionnaire to the Commission)</p> <p>Return questionnaire via the Commission <i>Drop Box</i> by clicking on the following link: <a href="https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/">https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/</a>. (PIN: SSWR)</p>
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#### 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 investigations or reviews 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.*

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Name of Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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Phone:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fax:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email address

**PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Background.** On August 4, 2015, the Commission instituted a review pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)) (the Act) to determine whether revocation of the orders would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to the domestic industry within a reasonably foreseeable time. If both the Commission and Commerce make affirmative determinations, the orders will remain in place. If either the Commission or Commerce makes negative determinations, the Department of Commerce will revoke the orders. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at [https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2015/stainless\\_steel\\_wire\\_rod\\_italy\\_japan\\_korea\\_spain/third\\_review\\_full.htm](https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2015/stainless_steel_wire_rod_italy_japan_korea_spain/third_review_full.htm).

**SS Wire Rod** covered by these investigations are products that are hot-rolled or hot-rolled annealed and/or pickled and/or descaled rounds, squares, octagons, hexagons or other shapes, in coils, that may also be coated with a lubricant containing copper, lime, or oxalate. SS wire rod is made of alloy steels containing, by weight, 1.2 percent or less of carbon and 10.5 percent or more of chromium, with or without other elements. These products are manufactured only by hot-rolling or hot-rolling, annealing, and/or pickling and/or descaling, are normally sold in coiled form, and are of solid crosssection. The majority of SS wire rod sold in the United States is round in crosssectional shape, annealed and pickled, and later cold-finished into stainless steel wire or small-diameter bar. The most common size for such products is 5.5 millimeters or 0.217 inches in diameter, which represents the smallest size that normally is produced on a rolling mill and is the size that most wire-drawing machines are set up to draw. The range of SSWR sizes normally sold in the United States is between 0.20 inches and 1.312 inches diameter. Two stainless steel grades, SF20T and K-M35FL, are excluded from the scope of the orders. The chemical makeup for the excluded grades is as follows: **SF20T** (Carbon, 0.05 max; Chromium, 19.00/21.00; Manganese, 2.00 max; Molybdenum, 1.50/2.50; Phosphorous, 0.05 max; Lead, added (0.10/0.30); Sulfur, 0.15 max; Tellurium, added (0.03 min); Silicon, 1.00 max) and **K-M35FL** (Carbon, 0.015 max; Nickel, 0.30 max; Silicon, 0.70/1.00; Chromium, 12.50/14.00; Manganese, 0.40 max; Lead, 0.10/0.30; Phosphorus, 0.04 max; Aluminum, 0.20/0.35; Sulfur, 0.03 max). The products subject to these orders are currently imported under statistical reporting numbers 7221.00.0005, 7221.00.0015, 7221.00.0030, 7221.00.0045, and 7221.00.0075 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (“HTSUS”). Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of these orders 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, purchaser and/or foreign producer 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-1. **OMB statistics.**--Please report below 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 40 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. **Establishments covered.**--Provide the name and address of establishment(s) covered by this questionnaire. If your firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol.

**“Establishment”**--Each facility of a firm involved in the importation of SS Wire Rod, including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.

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I-3. **Ownership.**--Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm?

No       Yes--List the following information.

Firm name	Address	Extent of ownership (percent)

I-4. **Related SUBJECT importers/exporters.**--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in importing SS Wire Rod from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan into the United States or that are engaged in exporting SS Wire Rod from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan to the United States?

No             Yes--List the following information.

<b>Firm name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Extent of ownership (percent)</b>

I-5. **Related NONSUBJECT importers/exporters.**--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in importing SS Wire Rod from countries other than Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan into the United States or that are engaged in exporting SS Wire Rod from countries other than Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan to the United States?

No             Yes--List the following information.

<b>Firm name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Extent of ownership (percent)</b>

I-6. **Related producers.**--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in the production of SS Wire Rod?

No             Yes--List the following information.

<b>Firm name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Extent of ownership (percent)</b>

I-7. **Importing operations.**--Please indicate the nature of your firm's importing operations on SS Wire Rod. More than one answer may be applicable.

Importer of record	Takes title to the imported product(s)	Consignee of the imported products(s)	Customs broker or freight forwarder
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I-8. **Consignees.**--If your firm is an importer of record of SS Wire Rod but is not the consignee, please list the consignees below (firm name, address, telephone number, and individual to contact).

Firm name	Address	Contact person and phone number

I-9. **FTZ, TIB, or bonded warehouses.**--Please indicate whether your firm enters SS Wire Rod into, or withdraws such merchandise from, foreign trade zones or bonded warehouses. Also indicate whether your firm imports SS Wire Rod under the TIB (temporary importation under bond) program.

**"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, as well as other savings. A foreign trade zone must be designed as such pursuant to the rules and procedures set forth in the Foreign-Trade Zones Act.

**"Bonded warehouse"** is a secured facility supervised by U.S. customs, where dutiable landed imports are stored pending their re-export, or release after payment of import duties, taxes, and other charges. A bonded warehouse must be designed as such pursuant to the rules and procedures set forth in 19 U.S.C. § 1555.

**"Temporary Importation under Bond ("TIB") program"** is a procedure whereby, imported merchandise may be entered under certain conditions for a limited time into the United States free of duty. Under the program, an importer posts a bond for twice the amount of duty, taxes, etc. that would otherwise be owed on the importation and agrees to export or destroy the merchandise within a specified time or pay liquidated damages. This program is restricted to certain categories of merchandise listed in subheadings 9813.00.05 through 9813.00.75 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS).

	No	Yes
Foreign trade zones	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bonded warehouses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Temporary importation under bond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I-10. **Business plan.**--In Parts II and III of this questionnaire we request a copy of your company's business plan. Does your company or any related firm have a business plan or any internal documents that describe, discuss, or analyze expected market conditions for SS Wire Rod?

- No             Yes--Please provide the requested documents. If you are not providing the requested documents, please explain why not.

I-11. **Other investigations.**--To your knowledge, have the products subject to this proceeding been the subject of any other import relief investigations in the United States or in any other countries?

- No             Yes--Please specify.

**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](mailto: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 importation of SS Wire Rod since January 1, 2016.

<i>Check as many as appropriate.</i>		<i>Please describe.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Office/warehouse openings	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Office/warehouse closings	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Relocations	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Expansions	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Acquisitions	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Consolidations	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Prolonged shutdowns or importation curtailments	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Revised labor agreements	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (e.g., technology)	



II-3. **Anticipated changes in operations.**--Does your firm anticipate any changes in the character of your operations or organization (as noted above) relating to the importation of SS Wire Rod in the future?

<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>If 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.</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**For question II-4, if your firm's response differs for particular orders, please indicate and explain the particular effect of revocation of specific orders.**

II-4. **Anticipated changes in operations in the event the orders are revoked.**--Would your firm anticipate any changes in the character of its operations or organization (as noted above) relating to the importation of SS Wire Rod in the future if the antidumping duty order on SS Wire Rod from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan were to be revoked?

<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>If 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.</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

II-5. **Arranged imports.**--Has your firm imported or arranged for the importation of SS Wire Rod for delivery after December 31, 2015?

**"Arranged imports"** are imports for which your firm has placed an order with a foreign producer for subject merchandise, but delivery of those imports is not scheduled to occur until after the date listed above.

No                       Yes--Fill out the table below.

<b>Quantity (in short tons)</b>				
<b>Period/Source</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2016</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2016</b>	<b>Jul-Sept 2016</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2016</b>
<b>Italy</b>				
<b>Japan</b>				
<b>Korea</b>				
<b>Spain</b>				
<b>Taiwan</b>				
<b>Other sources:<sup>1</sup></b>				
<sup>1</sup> Identify your other sources:				

- II-6. **Reasons for importing if producer.**--If your firm also produces SS Wire Rod in the United States, please indicate the reasons for importing this product. If your firm's reasons differ by source, please elaborate.

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**Definitions**

**“Imports”** –Those products identified for Customs purposes as imports for consumption for which your firm was the importer of record (i.e., was responsible for paying any import duty) or consignee (i.e., to which the merchandise was first delivered).

**“Import quantities”** –Quantities reported should be net of returns.

**“Import values”** –Values reported should be landed, duty-paid values at the U.S. port of entry, including ocean freight and insurance costs, brokerage charges, and import duties (i.e., all charges except inland freight in the United States).

**“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.

*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-7. **Imports from Italy.**-- Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of SS Wire Rod imported from SS Wire Rod by your firm during the specified periods.

## ITALY

Quantity (in short tons), value (in \$1,000)			
Item	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
<b>Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)</b>			
<b>Imports:</b>			
Quantity (B)			
Value (C)			
<b>U.S. shipments:</b>			
<b>Commercial shipments:</b>			
Quantity (D)			
Value (E)			
<b>Internal consumption/ company transfers:</b>			
Quantity (F)			
Value <sup>1</sup> (G)			
<b>Export shipments:<sup>2</sup></b>			
Quantity (H)			
Value (I)			
<b>End-of-period inventories (quantity) (J)</b>			
<b>Channels of distribution:</b>			
U.S. commercial shipments to distributors (quantity) (K)			
U.S. commercial shipments to end users (quantity) (L)			

<sup>1</sup> Sales to related firms (including internal consumption) must be valued at fair market value. In the event that your firm uses a different basis for valuing these sales within your company, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, etc.) and provide value data using that basis for each period identified above: \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>2</sup> Identify your firm's principal export markets: \_\_\_\_\_.

**II-7. IMPORTS FROM Italy.–Continued**

**RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, IMPORTS, AND INVENTORIES.**--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 A), plus imports (i.e., line B), less total shipments (i.e., lines D, F, and H). 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 year		
	2013	2014	2015
A + B – D – F – H – J = should equal zero ("0") or provide an explanation. <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0
<sup>1</sup> Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate: _____.			

**RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS.**--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines K and L) in each time period equal the quantity reported for commercial U.S. commercial shipments (i.e., line D) in each time period. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

Reconciliation	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
K + L – D = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0

II-8. **Imports from Japan.**-- Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of SS Wire Rod imported from SS Wire Rod by your firm during the specified periods

## JAPAN

Quantity (in short tons), value (in \$1,000)			
Item	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
<b>Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)</b>			
<b>Imports:</b>			
Quantity (B)			
Value (C)			
<b>U.S. shipments:</b>			
<b>Commercial shipments:</b>			
Quantity (D)			
Value (E)			
<b>Internal consumption/ company transfers:</b>			
Quantity (F)			
Value <sup>1</sup> (G)			
<b>Export shipments:<sup>2</sup></b>			
Quantity (H)			
Value (I)			
<b>End-of-period inventories (quantity) (J)</b>			
<b>Channels of distribution:</b>			
U.S. commercial shipments to distributors (quantity) (K)			
U.S. commercial shipments to end users (quantity) (L)			

<sup>1</sup> Sales to related firms (including internal consumption) must be valued at fair market value. In the event that your firm uses a different basis for valuing these sales within your company, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, etc.) and provide value data using that basis for each period identified above: \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>2</sup> Identify your firm's principal export markets: \_\_\_\_\_.

II-9. **IMPORTS FROM Japan.**–*Continued*

**RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, IMPORTS, AND INVENTORIES.**--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 A), plus imports (i.e., line B), less total shipments (i.e., lines D, F, and H). 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 year		
	2013	2014	2015
A + B – D – F – H – J = should equal zero ("0") or provide an explanation. <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0
<sup>1</sup> Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate: _____.			

**RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS.**--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines K and L) in each time period equal the quantity reported for commercial U.S. commercial shipments (i.e., line D) in each time period. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

Reconciliation	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
K + L – D = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0

II-10. **Imports from Korea.**-- Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of SS Wire Rod imported from SS Wire Rod by your firm during the specified periods.

## KOREA

Quantity (in short tons), value (in \$1,000)			
Item	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
<b>Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)</b>			
<b>Imports:</b>			
Quantity (B)			
Value (C)			
<b>U.S. shipments:</b>			
<b>Commercial shipments:</b>			
Quantity (D)			
Value (E)			
<b>Internal consumption/     company transfers:</b>			
Quantity (F)			
Value <sup>1</sup> (G)			
<b>Export shipments:<sup>2</sup></b>			
Quantity (H)			
Value (I)			
<b>End-of-period inventories (quantity) (J)</b>			
<b>Channels of distribution:</b>			
U.S. commercial shipments to distributors (quantity) (K)			
U.S. commercial shipments to end users (quantity) (L)			

<sup>1</sup> Sales to related firms (including internal consumption) must be valued at fair market value. In the event that your firm uses a different basis for valuing these sales within your company, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, etc.) and provide value data using that basis for each period identified above: \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>2</sup> Identify your firm's principal export markets: \_\_\_\_\_.



**II-11. IMPORTS FROM Korea.–Continued**

**RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, IMPORTS, AND INVENTORIES.**--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 A), plus imports (i.e., line B), less total shipments (i.e., lines D, F, and H). 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 year		
	2013	2014	2015
A + B – D – F – H – J = should equal zero ("0") or provide an explanation. <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0
<sup>1</sup> Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate: _____.			

**RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS.**--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines K and L) in each time period equal the quantity reported for commercial U.S. commercial shipments (i.e., line D) in each time period. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

Reconciliation	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
K + L – D = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0

II-12. **Imports from Spain.**-- Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of SS Wire Rod imported from SS Wire Rod by your firm during the specified periods.

## SPAIN

Quantity (in short tons), value (in \$1,000)			
Item	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
<b>Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)</b>			
<b>Imports:</b>			
Quantity (B)			
Value (C)			
<b>U.S. shipments:</b>			
<b>Commercial shipments:</b>			
Quantity (D)			
Value (E)			
<b>Internal consumption/     company transfers:</b>			
Quantity (F)			
Value <sup>1</sup> (G)			
<b>Export shipments:<sup>2</sup></b>			
Quantity (H)			
Value (I)			
<b>End-of-period inventories (quantity) (J)</b>			
<b>Channels of distribution:</b>			
U.S. commercial shipments to distributors (quantity) (K)			
U.S. commercial shipments to end users (quantity) (L)			

<sup>1</sup> Sales to related firms (including internal consumption) must be valued at fair market value. In the event that your firm uses a different basis for valuing these sales within your company, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, etc.) and provide value data using that basis for each period identified above: \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>2</sup> Identify your firm's principal export markets: \_\_\_\_\_.

**II-13. IMPORTS FROM Spain.–Continued**

**RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, IMPORTS, AND INVENTORIES.**--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 A), plus imports (i.e., line B), less total shipments (i.e., lines D, F, and H). 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 year		
	2013	2014	2015
A + B – D – F – H – J = should equal zero ("0") or provide an explanation. <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0
<sup>1</sup> Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate: _____.			

**RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS.**--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines K and L) in each time period equal the quantity reported for commercial U.S. commercial shipments (i.e., line D) in each time period. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

Reconciliation	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
K + L – D = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0

II-14. **Imports from Taiwan.**-- Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of SS Wire Rod imported from SS Wire Rod by your firm during the specified periods.

## TAIWAN

Quantity (in short tons), value (in \$1,000)			
Item	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
<b>Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)</b>			
<b>Imports:</b>			
Quantity (B)			
Value (C)			
<b>U.S. shipments:</b>			
<b>Commercial shipments:</b>			
Quantity (D)			
Value (E)			
<b>Internal consumption/     company transfers:</b>			
Quantity (F)			
Value <sup>1</sup> (G)			
<b>Export shipments:<sup>2</sup></b>			
Quantity (H)			
Value (I)			
<b>End-of-period inventories (quantity) (J)</b>			
<b>Channels of distribution:</b>			
U.S. commercial shipments to distributors (quantity) (K)			
U.S. commercial shipments to end users (quantity) (L)			
<p><sup>1</sup> Sales to related firms (including internal consumption) must be valued at fair market value. In the event that your firm uses a different basis for valuing these sales within your company, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, etc.) and provide value data using that basis for each period identified above: _____.</p> <p><sup>2</sup> Identify your firm's principal export markets: _____.</p>			

II-15. **IMPORTS FROM Taiwan.**–*Continued*

**RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, IMPORTS, AND INVENTORIES.**–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 A), plus imports (i.e., line B), less total shipments (i.e., lines D, F, and H). 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 year		
	2013	2014	2015
A + B – D – F – H – J = should equal zero ("0") or provide an explanation. <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0
<sup>1</sup> Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate: _____.			

**RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS.**–Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines K and L) in each time period equal the quantity reported for commercial U.S. commercial shipments (i.e., line D) in each time period. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

Reconciliation	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
K + L – D = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0

II-16. **Imports from ALL OTHER SOURCES.**-- Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of SS Wire Rod imported from **all other sources combined** by your firm during the specified periods

## ALL OTHER SOURCES COMBINED

(list sources: \_\_\_\_\_)

Quantity (in short tons), value (in \$1,000)			
Item	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
<b>Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)</b>			
<b>Imports:</b>			
Quantity (B)			
Value (C)			
<b>U.S. shipments:</b>			
<b>Commercial shipments:</b>			
Quantity (D)			
Value (E)			
<b>Internal consumption/ company transfers:</b>			
Quantity (F)			
Value <sup>1</sup> (G)			
<b>Export shipments:<sup>2</sup></b>			
Quantity (H)			
Value (I)			
<b>End-of-period inventories (quantity) (J)</b>			
<b>Channels of distribution:</b>			
U.S. commercial shipments to distributors (quantity) (K)			
U.S. commercial shipments to end users (quantity) (L)			

<sup>1</sup> Sales to related firms (including internal consumption) must be valued at fair market value. In the event that your firm uses a different basis for valuing these sales within your company, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, etc.) and provide value data using that basis for each of the periods noted above: \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>2</sup> Identify your firm's principal export markets: \_\_\_\_\_.

**II-17. IMPORTS FROM ALL OTHER SOURCES.–Continued**

**RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, IMPORTS, AND INVENTORIES.**--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 A), plus imports (i.e., line B), less total shipments (i.e., lines D, F, and H). 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 year		
	2013	2014	2015
A + B – D – F – H – J = should equal zero ("0") or provide an explanation. <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0
<sup>1</sup> Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate: _____.			

**RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS.**--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines K and L) in each time period equal the quantity reported for commercial U.S. commercial shipments (i.e., line D) in each time period. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

Reconciliation	Calendar year		
	2013	2014	2015
K + L – D = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0

**For questions II-18 and II-19, if your firm's response differs for particular orders, please indicate and explain the particular effect of imposition and/or revocation of specific orders.**

II-18. **Effect of order(s).**--Describe the significance of the existing antidumping duty order covering imports of SS Wire Rod from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan in terms of its effect on your firm's imports, U.S. shipments of imports, and inventories. You may wish to compare your firm's operations before and after the imposition of the order.

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II-19. **Likely effect of revocation of order(s).**--Would your firm anticipate any changes in its imports, U.S. shipments of imports, or inventories of SS Wire Rod in the future if the antidumping duty order on SS Wire Rod from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan were to be revoked?

No	Yes	If 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 for any trends or projections your firm may provide.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

II-20. **Other explanations.**--If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part II 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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**PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS**

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Andrew Knipe (202-205-2390, [andrew.knipe@usitc.gov](mailto:andrew.knipe@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	

**PRICE DATA**

III-2. This question requests quarterly quantity and value data for your firm's commercial shipments to unrelated U.S. customers of the following products your firm imported from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan:

**Product 1.**--Grade AISI 304 wire rod, 5.5 mm (0.217 inch) diameter, hot rolled, annealed and pickled, and/or descaled

**Product 2.**-- Grade AISI 302 wire rod, spring quality, 5.5 mm (0.217 inch) diameter, hot rolled, annealed and pickled, and/or descaled

**Product 3.**-- Grade AISI 308L wire rod, 5.5 mm (0.217 inch) diameter, hot rolled, annealed and pickled, and/or descaled

**Product 4.**-- Grade AISI 430 wire rod, 5.5 mm (0.217 inch) diameter, hot rolled, annealed and pickled, and/or descaled

**Product 5.**-- Grade AISI 302HQ (UNS S30430) wire rod, 5.5 mm (0.217 inch) diameter, hot rolled, annealed and pickled, and/or descaled

**Product 6.**-- Grade AISI 410 wire rod, 5.5 mm (0.217 inch) diameter, hot rolled, annealed and pickled, and/or descaled

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).

(a) During January 2013-December 2015, did your firm import from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, or Taiwan and sell to unrelated U.S. customers any of the above listed products (or any products that were competitive with these products)?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Yes.</b> --Please complete the following pricing data tables as appropriate.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No.</b> --Skip to question III-3.

III-2(b). **Price data (Italy).**--Report below the quarterly price data<sup>1</sup> for pricing products<sup>2</sup> imported from Italy and sold by your firm.

## Italy (excluding Acciaierie Valbruna S.p.A.)

**Report data in actual short tons and actual dollars (not 1,000s).**

<i>(Quantity in short tons, value in dollars)</i>						
Period of shipment	Product 1		Product 2		Product 3	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>2013:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2014:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2015:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

**Note.**--If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of the product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data.

Product 1:

Product 2:

Product 3:

III-2(b). **Price data (Italy).**--Continued

## Italy (excluding Acciaierie Valbruna S.p.A.)

**Report data in actual short tons and actual dollars (not 1,000s).**

<i>(Quantity in short tons, value in dollars)</i>						
Period of shipment	Product 4		Product 5		Product 6	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>2013:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2014:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2015:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<sup>1</sup> Net values ( <i>i.e.</i> , 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. <sup>2</sup> Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.						
<p><b>Note.</b>--If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of the product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data.</p> <p>Product 4:</p> <p>Product 5:</p> <p>Product 6:</p>						

III-2(c). **Price data (Japan).**--Report below the quarterly price data<sup>1</sup> for pricing products<sup>2</sup> imported from Japan and sold by your firm.

## Japan (excluding Hitachi Metals Ltd.)

**Report data in actual short tons and actual dollars (not 1,000s).**

<i>(Quantity in short tons, value in dollars)</i>						
Period of shipment	Product 1		Product 2		Product 3	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>2013:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2014:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2015:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

**Note.**--If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of the product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data.

Product 1:

Product 2:

Product 3:

III-2(c). **Price data (Japan).**--Continued

## Japan (excluding Hitachi Metals Ltd.)

**Report data in actual short tons and actual dollars (not 1,000s).**

<i>(Quantity in short tons, value in dollars)</i>						
Period of shipment	Product 4		Product 5		Product 6	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>2013:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2014:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2015:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<p><sup>1</sup> Net values (<i>i.e.</i>, 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.</p> <p><sup>2</sup> Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.</p> <p><b>Note.</b>--If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of the product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data.</p> <p>Product 4:</p> <p>Product 5:</p> <p>Product 6:</p>						

III-2(d). **Price data (Korea).**--Report below the quarterly price data<sup>1</sup> for pricing products<sup>2</sup> imported from Korea and sold by your firm.

## Korea

**Report data in actual short tons and actual dollars (not 1,000s).**

<i>(Quantity in short tons, value in dollars)</i>						
Period of shipment	Product 1		Product 2		Product 3	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>2013:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2014:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2015:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

**Note.**--If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of the product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data.

Product 1:

Product 2:

Product 3:

III-2(d). **Price data (Korea).**--*Continued*

## Korea

**Report data in actual short tons and actual dollars (not 1,000s).**

<i>(Quantity in short tons, value in dollars)</i>						
Period of shipment	Product 4		Product 5		Product 6	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>2013:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2014:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2015:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

**Note.**--If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of the product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data.

Product 4:

Product 5:

Product 6:

III-2(e). **Price data (Spain).**--Report below the quarterly price data<sup>1</sup> for pricing products<sup>2</sup> imported from Spain and sold by your firm.

## Spain

**Report data in actual short tons and actual dollars (not 1,000s).**

<i>(Quantity in short tons, value in dollars)</i>						
Period of shipment	Product 1		Product 2		Product 3	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>2013:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2014:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2015:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

**Note.**--If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of the product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data.

Product 1:

Product 2:

Product 3:



III-2(e). **Price data (Spain).**--Continued

## Spain

**Report data in actual short tons and actual dollars (not 1,000s).**

<i>(Quantity in short tons, value in dollars)</i>						
Period of shipment	Product 4		Product 5		Product 6	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>2013:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2014:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2015:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

**Note.**--If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of the product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data.

Product 4:

Product 5:

Product 6:

III-2(f). **Price data (Taiwan).**--Report below the quarterly price data<sup>1</sup> for pricing products<sup>2</sup> imported from Taiwan and sold by your firm.

## Taiwan (excluding Yieh Hsing Enterprise Ltd.)

**Report data in actual short tons and actual dollars (not 1,000s).**

<i>(Quantity in short tons, value in dollars)</i>						
Period of shipment	Product 1		Product 2		Product 3	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>2013:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2014:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2015:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

**Note.**--If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of the product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data.

Product 1:

Product 2:

Product 3:

III-2(f). **Price data (Taiwan).**--Continued

## Taiwan (excluding Yieh Hsing Enterprise Ltd.)

**Report data in actual short tons and actual dollars (not 1,000s).**

<i>(Quantity in short tons, value in dollars)</i>						
Period of shipment	Product 4		Product 5		Product 6	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
<b>2013:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2014:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<b>2015:</b>						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
<sup>1</sup> Net values ( <i>i.e.</i> , 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. <sup>2</sup> Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.						
<b>Note.</b> --If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of the product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data.						
Product 4:						
Product 5:						
Product 6:						

III-2(g). **Pricing data methodology.**-- Please describe the method and the kinds of documents/records that were used to compile your price data.

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

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

Transaction by transaction	Contracts	Set price lists	Other	If other, describe
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

Quantity discounts	Annual total volume discounts	No discount policy	Other	Describe
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-5. **Pricing terms.**--

(a) What are your firm's typical sales terms for SS Wire Rod imported from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan?

Net 30 days	Net 60 days	2/10 net 30 days	Other	Other (specify)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(b) On what basis are your firm's prices of imported SS Wire Rod from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan usually quoted? (*check one*)

Delivered	F.o.b.	If f.o.b., specify point
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-6. **Contract versus spot.**-- Approximately what share of your firm's sales of SS Wire Rod imported from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan in 2015 was on a (1) long-term contract basis, (2) annual contract basis, (3) short-term contract basis, and (4) spot sales basis?

	Type of sale				Total (should sum to 100.0%)
	Long-term contracts (multiple deliveries for more than 12 months)	Annual contracts (multiple deliveries for 12 months)	Short-term contracts (multiple deliveries for less than 12 months)	Spot sales (for a single delivery)	
<b>Share of your 2015 sales</b>	%	%	%	%	0.0 %

III-7. **Contract provisions.**— Please fill out the table regarding your firm's typical sales contracts for SS Wire Rod from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan (or check "not applicable" if your firm does not sell on a long-term, short-term, and/or contract basis).

Typical sales contract provisions	Item	Short-term contracts (multiple deliveries for less than 12 months)	Annual contracts (multiple deliveries for 12 months)	Long-term contracts (multiple deliveries for more than 12 months)
Average contract duration	<i>No. of days</i>		365	
Price renegotiation (during contract period)	<i>Yes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fixed quantity and/or price	<i>Quantity</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>Price</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>Both</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Meet or release provision	<i>Yes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not applicable		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

III-8. **Lead times.**-- What is your firm's share of sales of SS Wire Rod imported from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan from inventory vs. 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 SS Wire Rod?

Source	Share of 2015 sales	Lead time (average number of days)
From inventory	%	
From foreign manufacturers' inventory	%	
Produced to order	%	
<b>Total</b> (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %	

III-9. **Shipping information.**--

- (a) What is the approximate percentage of the total delivered cost of SS Wire Rod imported from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan that is accounted for by U.S. inland transportation costs? \_\_\_\_\_ %
- (b) Who generally arranges the transportation to your firm's customers' locations?  
 Your firm     Purchaser *(check one)*
- (c) When your firm sells SS Wire Rod imported from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan, from where is it shipped?  
 Point of importation     Storage facility *(check one)*
- (d) Indicate the approximate percentage of your sales of SS Wire Rod imported from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan that are delivered the following distances from your firm's U.S. point of shipment.

Distance from your firm's U.S. point of shipment	Share
Within 100 miles	%
101 to 1,000 miles	%
Over 1,000 miles	%
<b>Total</b> (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %

III-10. **Geographical shipments.**-- In which U.S. geographic market area(s) has your firm sold SS Wire Rod imported from subject countries since January 1, 2013 (check all that apply)?

<b>Geographic area</b>	<b>Italy</b>	<b>Japan</b>	<b>Korea</b>	<b>Spain</b>	<b>Taiwan</b>	<b>Other<sup>1</sup></b>
<b>Northeast.</b> --CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, and VT.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Midwest.</b> --IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, and WI.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Southeast.</b> --AL, DE, DC, FL, GA, KY, MD, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, and WV.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Central Southwest.</b> --AR, LA, OK, and TX.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Mountains.</b> --AZ, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, UT, and WY.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Pacific Coast.</b> --CA, OR, and WA.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Other.</b> --All other markets in the United States not previously listed, including AK, HI, PR, and VI.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<sup>1</sup> Please identify:						

III-11. **End uses.**--

- (a) List the end uses of the SS Wire Rod that your firm imports from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan. For each end-use product, what percentage of the total cost is accounted for by SS Wire Rod and other inputs?

<b>End use product</b>	<b>Share of total cost of end-use product accounted for by</b>		<b>Total</b> (should sum to 100.0% across)
	<b>SS Wire Rod</b>	<b>Other inputs</b>	
	%	%	0.0 %
	%	%	0.0 %
	%	%	0.0 %

- (b) Have there been any changes in the end uses of SS Wire Rod since January 1, 2013? Do you anticipate any future changes?

<b>Changes in end uses</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Explain</b>
Changes since January 1, 2013	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Anticipated changes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-12. **Substitutes.--**

(a) Can other products be substituted for SS Wire Rod?

No                       Yes--Please fill out the table.

	Substitute	End use in which this substitute is used	Have changes in the price of this substitute affected the price for SS Wire Rod?		
			No	Yes	Explanation
1.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(b) Have there been any changes in the number or types of products that can be substituted for SS Wire Rod since January 1, 2013? Do you anticipate any future changes?

Changes in substitutes	No	Yes	Explain
Changes since January 1, 2013	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Anticipated changes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-13. **Availability of supply.--**Has the availability of SS Wire Rod in the U.S. market changed since January 1, 2013? Do you anticipate any future changes?

Availability in the U.S. market	No	Yes	Please explain, noting the countries and reasons for the changes.
<b>Changes since January 1, 2013:</b>			
U.S.-produced product	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Subject imports	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Nonsubject imports	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Anticipated changes:</b>			
U.S.-produced product	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Subject imports	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Nonsubject imports	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	



III-14. **Demand trends.**-- Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for SS Wire Rod has changed since January 1, 2013, and how you anticipate demand will change in the future. Explain any trends and describe the principal factors that have affected, and that you anticipate will affect, these changes in demand.

Market	Overall increase	No change	Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explanation and factors
<b>Demand since January 1, 2013</b>					
<b>Within the U.S.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Outside the U.S.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Anticipated future demand</b>					
<b>Within the U.S.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Outside the U.S.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-15. **Product changes.**-- Have there been any significant changes in the product range, product mix, or marketing of SS Wire Rod since January 1, 2013? Do you anticipate any future changes?

Changes in product range, product mix, or marketing			Explain
	No	Yes	
Changes since January 1, 2013	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Anticipated changes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-16. **Conditions of competition.**--

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

Check all that apply.	Please describe.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	Skip to question III-17.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes-Business cycles (e.g. seasonal business)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes-Other distinctive conditions of competition</b>	

(b) If yes, have there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of competition for SS Wire Rod since January 1, 2013?

No	Yes	If yes, describe.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-17. **Supply constraints.**--Has your firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply SS Wire Rod since January 1, 2013 (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.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-18. **Raw materials.**-- Indicate how SS Wire Rod raw materials prices have changed since January 1, 2013, and how you expect they will change in the future.

Raw materials prices	Overall increase	No change	Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explain, noting how raw material price changes have affected your firm's selling prices for SS Wire Rod.
Changes since January 1, 2013	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Anticipated changes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-19. **Surcharges.**--Does your firm change prices of SS Wire Rod to its customers based on an alloy surcharge formula?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Yes.</b> --Please complete questions (a), (b), (c) and (d).
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No.</b> --Skip to questions (c) and (d).

(a) Report the actual surcharge formula(s) for each SS Wire Rod product to which a surcharge formula is applied. If the formula changed since 2013, please report the relevant surcharge formula for each period when it applied:

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(b) Report the source of prices for nickel, chrome, and molybdenum used in the surcharge formula:

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(c) Does your firm employ a surcharge for any of the following inputs (check all that apply)? so,

Input	No	Yes	If yes, please describe the surcharge formula applied in each case and whether the formula has changed since 2013.
Titanium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Manganese	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Scrap (iron)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Energy (natural gas and/or electricity)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Fuel (for transport)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other (describe: _____)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(d) How frequently does your firm change or adjust its surcharges for SS Wire Rod? If it varies depending on the allow or another basis, please explain:

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III-20. **Negotiations.**--Do purchases of SS Wire Rod usually involve negotiations between supplier and purchaser?

<b>No</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>If yes, please describe the negotiation process. In your response, please comment on whether your firm asks purchasers about price quotes from competing suppliers.</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-21. **Price comparisons.**--Please compare market prices of SS Wire Rod in U.S. and non-U.S. markets if known. Provide information as to time periods and regions for any price comparisons.

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III-22. **International transportation.**--

(a) Who typically arranges international transportation for your firm's imports?

<b>Exporter</b>	<b>Importer</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(b) If your firm typically arranges international transportation:

<b>For 2015, report or estimate the average cost to ship typical volumes of SS Wire Rod from the listed countries to the United States</b>	<b>Dollars per short ton</b>
Italy	
Japan	
Korea	
Spain	
Taiwan	

III-23. **Market studies.**--Please provide as a separate attachment to this request any studies, surveys, etc. that you are aware of that quantify and/or otherwise discuss SS Wire Rod supply (including production capacity and capacity utilization) and demand in (1) the United States, (2) each of the other major producing/consuming countries, including Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan, and (3) the world as a whole. Of particular interest is such data from 2013 to the present and forecasts for the future.

III-24. **Interchangeability.**--Is SS Wire Rod 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 O 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

O = *no familiarity* with products from the specified country-pair

<b>Country-pair</b>	Italy	Japan	Korea	Spain	Taiwan	Other countries
U.S.						
Italy	X					
Japan	X	X				
Korea	X	X	X			
Spain	X	X	X	X		
Taiwan	X	X	X	X	X	
For any country-pair producing SS Wire Rod that is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>never</i> interchangeable, identify the country-pair and explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use:						

III-25. **Factors other than price.**--Are differences other than price (*e.g.*, quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, etc.) between SS Wire Rod produced in the United States and in other countries a significant factor in your firm's sales of the products?

Please indicate A, F, S, N, or O 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

O = *no familiarity* with products from the specified country-pair

<b>Country-pair</b>	Italy	Japan	Korea	Spain	Taiwan	Other countries
U.S.						
Italy	X					
Japan	X	X				
Korea	X	X	X			
Spain	X	X	X	X		
Taiwan	X	X	X	X	X	
For any country-pair for which factors other than price <i>always</i> or <i>frequently</i> are a significant factor in your firm's sales of SS Wire Rod, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:						

III-26. **Other explanations.**--If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part III 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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- **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:

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- **E-mail.**—E-mail the MS Word questionnaire to [fred.ruggles@usitc.gov](mailto:fred.ruggles@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 does not import this product**, please fill out page 1, print, sign, and submit a scanned copy to the Commission.

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