### **LOST SALES AND LOST REVENUE SURVEY**

# CARBON AND CERTAIN ALLOY STEEL WIRE ROD ("WIRE ROD") FROM BELARUS, ITALY, KOREA, RUSSIA, SOUTH AFRICA, SPAIN, TURKEY, THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, UKRAINE, AND THE UNITED KINGDOM

This survey must be received by the Commission by April 11, 2017

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 and antidumping duty investigations concerning wire rod from Belarus, Italy, Korea, Russia, South Africa, Spain, Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, and the United Kingdom (Inv. Nos. Inv. Nos. 701-TA-573-574 and 731-TA-1349-1358)). 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 Andrew Knipe (202-205-2390, andrew.knipe@usitc.gov).

Name of firm

City	State	:	Zip	Co	de						
Website											
Has your firm pu	urchased wire rod (as defined on next page) a	it any time	ne si	ince	Janua	y 1, 20	14?				
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#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Background.-- This proceeding was instituted in response to a petitions filed on March 28, 2017, by Charter Steel, Saukville, Wisconsin; Gerdau Ameristeel US Inc., Tampa, Florida; Keystone Consolidated Industries, Inc., Peoria, Illinois; and Nucor Corporation, Charlotte, North Carolina. Countervailing and/or antidumping duties may be assessed on the subject imports as a result of these proceedings if the Commission makes an affirmative determination of injury, threat, or material retardation, and if the U.S. Department of Commerce ("Commerce") makes an affirmative determination of subsidization and/or dumping. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at <a href="https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/title\_7/2017/carbon\_and\_certain\_alloy\_steel\_wire\_rod\_belarus/preliminary.htm">https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/title\_7/2017/carbon\_and\_certain\_alloy\_steel\_wire\_rod\_belarus/preliminary.htm</a>.

<u>Wire rod.</u>— The merchandise covered by these investigations are certain hot-rolled products of carbon steel and alloy steel, in coils, of approximately round cross section, less than 19.00 mm in actual solid cross-sectional diameter. Specifically excluded are steel products possessing the above-noted physical characteristics and meeting the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) definitions for (a) stainless steel; (b) tool steel; (c) high-nickel steel; (d) ball bearing steel; or (e) concrete reinforcing bars and rods. Also excluded are free cutting steel (also known as free machining steel) products (i.e., products that contain by weight one or more of the following elements: 0.1 percent or more of lead, 0.05 percent or more of bismuth, 0.08 percent or more of sulfur, more than 0.04 percent of phosphorous, more than 0.05 percent of selenium, or more than 0.01 percent of tellurium). All products meeting the physical description of subject merchandise that are not specifically excluded are included in this scope.

Wire rod is currently imported under statistical reporting numbers 7213.91.3011, 7213.91.3015, 7213.91.3020, 7213.91.3093; 7213.91.4500, 7213.91.6000, 7213.99.0030, 7227.20.0030, 7227.20.0080, 7227.90.6010, 7227.90.6020, 7227.90.6030, and 7227.90.6035 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Products imported under statistical reporting numbers 7213.99.0090 and 7227.90.6090 of the HTSUS also may be included in this scope if they meet the physical description of subject merchandise above. The HTSUS provisions are for convenience and customs purposes; the written description of the scope is dispositive.

Carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod includes (but is not limited to) the products listed below.

- (1) Low and medium-low carbon industrial and standard quality rods.—Rods manufactured from low or medium-low carbon steel and primarily intended for drawing into industrial or standard quality wire. This category also includes special quality rods. For the purpose of these questionnaires, data for chain quality rods, cold finishing rods, fine wire quality rods, and nondeformed concrete reinforcement rods should be reported in this category.
- (2) High and medium-high carbon industrial and standard quality rods.—Rods manufactured from high or medium-high carbon steel and primarily intended for drawing into wire for such products as strand, hose, upholstery spring, mechanical spring, oil tempering, cold rolling, bearing, rope, screens, aluminum conductor steel reinforcement ("ACSR") core, pipe wrap, prestressed concrete wire, utility strand, and music wire.
- (3) Tire cord and tire bead quality rods. -- High-carbon wire rods that downstream purchasers, either specialized wire drawers or producers of steel-reinforced pneumatic tires, draw into bead or cord wire.

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Tire bead reinforces the bead (inner edge) of a tire and seals the tire against the wheel whereas tire cord is adhered to the inside of the tread for steel-reinforced pneumatic tires.

- **(4)** Welding quality rods.—Rods intended for producing wire for gas welding, electric arc welding, submerged arc welding, and metal insert gas welding.
- **(5)** Cold heading quality ("CHQ") rods.—Rods used in the manufacture of heading, forging, or cold extrusion quality wire.
- **(6)** Other specialty carbon and alloy quality rods.—For the purpose of these questionnaires, data for scrapless nut, aircraft, cold heading bearing, and valve spring quality rods should be reported in this category.

**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.

<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 wire rod. Estimates are acceptable.

	2014	2015	2016		
Item	Quantity (in short tons)				
Purchases of wire rod produced in United States					
Belarus					
Italy					
Korea					
Russia					
South Africa					
Spain					
Turkey					
UAE					
Ukraine					
United Kingdom					
Subject sources	0	0	C		
Canada					
All other countries:1					
Sources unknown					
Total purchases	0	0	0		
<sup>1</sup> Please identify these countries:					

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

Source of purchases	Did not purchase	Decreased	Increased	Constant	Fluctuated	Explanation for trend
United States						
Belarus						
Italy						
Korea						
Russia						
South Africa						
Spain						
Turkey						
UAE						
Ukraine						
United Kingdom						
All other countries						
Sources unknown						

3. Major purchasing factors.--Please list, in order of their importance, the main factors your firm

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considers in deciding from whom to purchase wire rod.

	2.				
	3.				
	Please I	ist any other facto	ors that are very important in you	r purchase decisions:	
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4.	<u>Purcha</u>	sing subject impo	rts rather than domestic product	<u>s</u> .—	
	(a)		y 2014, did your firm purchase im Sproduced wire rod? Respond f	ports of wire rod from subject countri or each subject country.	es
			Yes	No	
			(If "Yes," also respond to parts	(If "No" <u>for all countries</u> , skip to	
		Source	(b) and (c))	next question)	
		Belarus			
		Italy			
		Korea			
		Russia			
		South Africa			
		Spain			
		Turkey			
		UAE			
		Ukraine			
	ı	United Kingdom			

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

Source	Yes	No
Belarus		
Italy		
Korea		
Russia		
South Africa		
Spain		
Turkey		
UAE		
Ukraine		
United Kingdom		

(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)	No	If No for any source, please indicate the reason your firm purchased imports instead of domestic product. If your reason differs by source, please indicate so in your response.
Belarus				
Italy				
Korea				
Russia				
South Africa				
Spain				
Turkey				
UAE				
Ukraine				
United Kingdom				

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

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

Source	<b>Yes</b> (If "Yes," also respond to question part (b))	<b>No</b> (If "No" for all countries, skip to next question)	Don't know
Belarus			
Italy			
Korea			
Russia			
South Africa			
Spain			
Turkey			
UAE			
Ukraine			
United Kingdom			

(b) If your firm responded "yes" to any of the above countries, please provide an estimate of the percent 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.  If your explanation differs by source, please indicate so in your response.
Belarus	%	
Italy	%	
Korea	%	
Russia	%	
South Africa	%	
Spain	%	
Turkey	%	
UAE	%	
Ukraine	%	
United Kingdom	%	

6.	Method of purchasePlease provide a general description of your firm's method(s) of purchase (e.g., individual purchase, contract, bids, internet purchases, etc.) for wire rod.
7.	Other explanations Please provide any additional comments in this box.

#### **OMB INFORMATION**

8. **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: WR10

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

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