U.S. IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

CARBON AND ALLOY STEEL THREADED ROD

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by March 7, 2019

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 and antidumping duty investigations concerning carbon and alloy steel threaded rod ("threaded rod") from China, India, Taiwan, and Thailand (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-618-619 and 731-TA-1441-1444 (Preliminary)). The information requested in the questionnaire is requested under the authority of the Tariff Act of 1930, title VII. This report is mandatory and failure to reply as directed can result in a subpoena or other order to compel the submission of records or information in your firm's possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)).

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PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

<u>Background</u>.--This proceeding was instituted in response to petitions filed on February 21, 2019, by Vulcan Steel Products Inc., Pelham, Alabama. Countervailing and antidumping duties may be assessed on the subject imports as a result of these proceedings if the Commission makes an affirmative determination of injury, threat, or material retardation, and if the U.S. Department of Commerce ("Commerce") makes an affirmative determination of subsidization and/or dumping. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2019/carbon_and_alloy_steel_threaded_rod_china_india/preliminary.htm

<u>Threaded rod</u> covered by these investigations is carbon and alloy steel threaded rod. Steel threaded rod is certain threaded rod, bar, or studs, of carbon or alloy steel, having a solid, circular cross section of any diameter, in any straight length. Steel threaded rod is normally drawn, cold-rolled, threaded, and straightened, or it may be hot-rolled. In addition, the steel threaded rod, bar, or studs subject to these investigations are non-headed and threaded along greater than 25 percent of their total actual length. A variety of finishes or coatings, such as plain oil finish as a temporary rust protectant, zinc coating (i.e., galvanized, whether by electroplating or hot-dipping), paint, and other similar finishes and coatings, may be applied to the merchandise.

Steel threaded rod is normally produced to American Society for Testing and Materials ("ASTM") specifications ASTM A36, ASTM A193 B7/B7m, ASTM A193 B16, ASTM A307, ASTM A320 L7/L7M, ASTM A320 L43, ASTM A354 BC and BD, ASTM A449, ASTM F1554-36, ASTM F1554-55, ASTM F1554 Grade 105, American Society of Mechanical Engineers ("ASME") specification ASME B18.31.3, and American Petroleum Institute ("API") specification API 20E. All steel threaded rod meeting the physical description set forth above is covered by the scope of these investigations, whether or not produced according to a particular standard.

Subject merchandise includes material matching the above description that has been finished, assembled, or packaged in a third country, including by cutting, chamfering, coating, or painting the threaded rod, by attaching the threaded rod to, or packaging it with, another product, or any other finishing, assembly, or packaging operation that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of the investigation if performed in the country of manufacture of the threaded rod.

Carbon and alloy steel threaded rod are also included in the scope of this investigation whether or not imported attached to, or in conjunction with, other parts and accessories such as nuts and washers. If carbon and alloy steel threaded rod are imported attached to, or in conjunction with, such non-subject merchandise, only the threaded rod is included in the scope.

Excluded from the scope of these investigations are: (1) threaded rod, bar, or studs which are threaded only on one or both ends and the threading covers 25 percent or less of the total actual length; and (2) stainless steel threaded rod, defined as steel threaded rod containing, by weight, 1.2 percent or less of carbon and 10.5 percent or more of chromium, with or without other elements.

Excluded from the scope of the antidumping investigation on steel threaded rod from the People's Republic of China is any merchandise covered by the existing antidumping order on Certain Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China. See Certain Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China: Notice of Antidumping Duty Order, 74 Fed. Reg. 17,154 (Dep't Commerce Apr. 14, 2009).

Steel threaded rod is currently imported under statistical reporting numbers 7318.15.5051, 7318.15.5056, and 7318.15.5090 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS"). Subject merchandise may also be imported under statistical reporting numbers 7318.15.2095 and 7318.19.0000 of the HTSUS. The HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and U.S. Customs purposes only. The written description of the scope is dispositive.

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

<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, and/or purchaser 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.

<u>Release of information</u>.--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.

<u>Valid number error messages.</u>—If you are completing this form in a country that uses periods (".") to delineate multiples of 1000 (e.g., one million would appear as \$1.000.000 rather than \$1,000,000), you may be unable to enter in numbers greater than 999 in numeric form fields. The solution to this data entry issue is to temporarily change your operating system's number formatting to be consistent with the U.S. number formatting system while you complete this form. Detailed instructions on how to resolve this issue is provided at the end of this questionnaire and is available upon request from Keysha Martinez (202-205-2136, keysha.martinez@usitc.gov).

<u>D-GRIDS tool.</u>—The Commission has a tool that firms can use to move data from their own MS Excel compilation files into self-contained data tables within this MS Word questionnaire, thereby reducing the amount of cell-by-cell data entry that would be required to complete this form. This tool is a macro-

enabled MS Excel file available for download from the Commission's generic questionnaires webpage (https://www.usitc.gov/trade_remedy/question.htm) called the "D-GRIDs tool." Use of this tool to help your firm complete this questionnaire is optional. Firms opting to use the D-GRIDs tool to populate their data into this questionnaire will need the D-GRIDs specification sheet PDF file specific to this proceeding (available on the case page which is linked under the "Background" above) which includes the necessary references relating to this questionnaire, as well as the macro-enable MS Excel D-GRIDs tool itself from the generic questionnaires page. More detailed instructions on how to use the D-GRIDs tool are available within the D-GRIDs tool itself.

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. <u>Establishments covered</u>.--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"Eac	h facility of a firm involv	ed in the <u>impo</u>	<u>rtation</u> of threade	ed rod, ir	ncluding
auxiliary facilities ope	rated in conjunction wit	h (whether or r	not physically sep	arate fro	m) such
facilities.					

U.S. Importers' Questionnaire - Threaded Rod I-3. Ownership.--Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm? No Yes--List the following information **Extent of** ownership (percent) Firm name **Address** Related importers/exporters.--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or I-4. foreign, that are engaged in importing threaded rod from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand into the United States or that are engaged in exporting threaded rod from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand to the United States? ☐ No Yes--List the following information. Firm name Affiliation Country

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	Related producers Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in the production of threaded rod?					
☐ No ☐ Yes	:List the following inforr	nation.				
Firm name	Country		Affiliation			
	Please indicate the natu an one answer may be ap Takes title to the imported product(s)	re of your firm's importin plicable. Consignee of the imported products(s)	g operations on Customs broker freight forward			
		of threaded rod but is no elephone number, and in				
Firm name	Address		Contact person and phone number			

I-8. <u>FTZ, TIB, or bonded warehouses</u>.--Please indicate whether your firm enters threaded rod into, or withdraws such merchandise from, foreign trade zones or bonded warehouses. Also indicate whether your firm imports threaded 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 of the United States (HTS).

Item	No	Yes
Foreign trade zones		
Bonded warehouses		
Temporary importation under bond		

I-9. <u>Other trade actions</u>.--To your knowledge, have the products subject to this proceeding been the subject of any other import relief proceedings in the United States or in any other countries?

No	Yes	If yes, Yes–Please specify.

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Keysha Martinez (202-205-2136, keysha.martinez@usitc.gov). **Supply all data requested on a <u>calendar-year</u> basis**.

II-1.		nationPlease identify the responsible aff may contact that individual regardin	individual and the manner by which ng the confidential information submitted
	Name		
	Title		
	Email		
	Telephone		

II-2. <u>Changes in operations.</u>—Please indicate whether your firm has experienced any of the following changes in relation to the importation of threaded rod since January 1, 2016.

(ched	ck as many as appropriate)	(If checked, please describe; leave blank if not applicable)
	Office/warehouse openings	
	Office/warehouse closings	
	Relocations	
	Expansions	
	Acquisitions	
	Consolidations	
	Prolonged shutdowns or importation curtailments	
	Revised labor agreements	
	Other (e.g., technology)	

U.S. Importers'	Questionnaire -	Threaded Rod
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II-3a.	Arranged importsHas your firm imported or arranged for the importation of threaded rod for
	delivery after December 31, 2018?

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

No	Yes	
		If yes, fill out the table below.

	Period						
Source	Jan-Mar 2019						
	Quantity (in 1,000 pounds)						
China							
India							
Taiwan							
Thailand							
All other sources							

II-3b. Imports in the 12 month period preceding the petition.--Has your firm imported threaded rod from any source between February 1, 2018 and January 31, 2019? (i.e., the last 11 months in 2018 and first month in 2019 combined)

No	Yes	
		If yes, report the quantity of such imports below by source.

Quantity (in 1,000 pounds)				
Source	February 2018 through January 2019			
China (subject to existing AD order)				
China (all other)				
India				
Taiwan				
Thailand				
All other sources				

II-4.	Reasons for importing if producerIf your firm also produces threaded rod in the United
	States, please indicate the reasons for importing this product. If your firm's reasons differ by
	source, please elaborate.

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. Such transactions are valued at fair market value.

"Transfers to related firms" – Shipments made to related firms. Such transactions are valued at fair market value.

"Related firm" —A firm that your firm solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled; a firm that solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled your firm; and/or a firm that was solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled by a firm that also solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled your firm.

"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-5a. <u>U.S. imports from China</u>.—Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of threaded rod imported from China by your firm during the specified periods.

Note.--All data reported for China in all parts of question II-5 should include all threaded rod covered by the scope of these investigations. While there is an existing antidumping duty order on certain threaded rod from China, there is no equivalent existing countervailing duty order on certain threaded rod imported from China.

China

Quantity (in 1,000 pounds), value (in \$1,000)					
	Calendar years				
ltem	2016	2017	2018		
Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)					
Imports: ¹ Quantity (B)					
Value (C)					
U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D)					
Value (E)					
Internal consumption: ² Quantity (F)					
Value² (G)					
Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H)					
Value² (I)					
Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J)					
Value (K)					
End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L)					
¹ Please list the 10-digit HTS statistical Please identify the foreign producer ² Internal consumption and transfers to basis for valuing these transactions in youthe data provided above in this table should be a support of the data provided above in the data pr	s, if known: to related firms must be valuour records, please specify thould be based on fair market	ed at fair market value. If yo at basis (e.g., cost, cost plus,	our firm uses a different		

II-5a. U.S. imports from China.—Continued

RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, IMPORTS, AND INVENTORIES.--Generally, the data reported for the end-of-period inventories (i.e., line L) 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, 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.

Calendar years			
2016	2017	2018	
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	2016	•	

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

II-5b. <u>Channels of distribution: China</u>.--Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms), by channel of distribution.

China

	Quantity (in 1,000 pounds) Calendar years			
Item	2016	2017	2018	
Channels of distribution: U.S. shipments: To distributors (M)				
To end users (N)				

<u>RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS</u>.--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines M and N) in each time period equal the quantity reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines D, F and H) 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.

	Calendar years			
Reconciliation item	2016	2017	2018	
M + N - D - F - H = zero ("0"), if not				
revise.	0	0	0	

II-5c. <u>U.S. imports from China, by type</u>.-- Report your firm's U.S. imports, by type.

China

Quantity (in 1,000 pounds)				
	Calendar year 2018 Coating type			
U.S. imports	Hot-dipped galvanized	Electroplated galvanized	Non- galvanized	Total
Threading and steel type: Continuously threaded rod— Alloy steel (O)				0
Non-alloy steel (P)				0
Other than continuously threaded rod— Alloy steel ¹ (Q)				0
Non-alloy steel ¹ (R)				0
Total	0	0	0	0
¹ Please identify these products:				

<u>RECONCILIATION OF U.S. IMPORTS BY TYPE.</u>--Please ensure that the quantities reported for U.S. imports by type (i.e., lines O through R) equal the quantities reported for U.S. imports (i.e., line B) in 2018 from part "a" of this question. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "O"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

	Calendar year	
Reconciliation	2018	
O + P + Q + R - B = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0	

II-6a. <u>U.S. imports from India</u>.—Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of threaded rod imported from India by your firm during the specified periods.

India

Quantity (<i>in 1,000 pounds</i>), value (<i>in \$1,000</i>)					
	Calendar years				
ltem	2016	2017	2018		
Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)					
Imports: ¹ Quantity (B)					
Value (C)					
U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D)					
Value (E)					
Internal consumption: ² Quantity (F)					
Value² (G)					
Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H)					
Value² (I)					
Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J)					
Value (K)					
End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L)					
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II-6a. U.S. imports from India.—Continued

RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, IMPORTS, AND INVENTORIES.--Generally, the data reported for the end-of-period inventories (i.e., line L) 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, 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.

Calendar years			
2016	2017	2018	
0	0	0	
	2016	•	

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

II-6b. <u>Channels of distribution: India.</u>-- Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms), by channel of distribution.

India

	C	Quantity (in 1,000 pounds	;)
Item	Calendar years		
	2016	2017	2018
Channels of distribution: U.S. shipments:			
To distributors (M)			
To end users (N)			

<u>RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS</u>.--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines M and N) in each time period equal the quantity reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines D, F and H) 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.

	Calendar years		
Reconciliation item	2016	2017	2018
M + N - D - F - H = zero ("0"), if not			
revise.	0	0	0

II-6c. <u>U.S. imports from India, by type</u>.-- Report your firm's U.S. imports, by type.

India

Quantity (in 1,000 pounds)					
	Calendar year 2018				
	Coating type				
U.S. imports	Hot-dipped galvanized	Electroplated galvanized	Non- galvanized	Total	
Threading and steel type: Continuously threaded rod— Alloy steel (O)				0	
Non-alloy steel (P)				0	
Other than continuously threaded rod— Alloy steel ¹ (Q)				0	
Non-alloy steel ¹ (R)				0	
Total	0	0	0	0	
¹ Please identify these products:	¹ Please identify these products:				

<u>RECONCILIATION OF U.S. IMPORTS BY TYPE.</u>--Please ensure that the quantities reported for U.S. imports by type (i.e., lines O through R) equal the quantities reported for U.S. imports (i.e., line B) in 2018 from part "a" of this question. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "O"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

	Calendar year
Reconciliation	2018
O + P + Q + R - B = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0

II-7a. <u>U.S. imports from Taiwan</u>.—Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of threaded rod imported from Taiwan by your firm during the specified periods.

Taiwan

Qua	ntity (in 1,000 pounds),	, value (<i>in \$1,000</i>)	
Item	2016	2017	2018
Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)			
Imports: ¹ Quantity (B)			
Value (C)			
U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D)			
Value (E)			
Internal consumption: ² Quantity (F)			
Value² (G)			
Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H)			
Value² (I)			
Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J)			
Value (K)			
End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L)			
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II-7a. U.S. imports from Taiwan.—Continued

RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, IMPORTS, AND INVENTORIES.--Generally, the data reported for the end-of-period inventories (i.e., line L) 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, 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.

	Calendar years		
Reconciliation	2016	2017	2018
A + B - D - F - H - J - L = should equal			
zero ("0") or provide an explanation. ¹	0	0	0

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

II-7b. <u>Channels of distribution: Taiwan</u>.-- Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms), by channel of distribution.

Taiwan

	Quantity (in 1,000 pounds)			
	Calendar years			
Item	2016 2017 2018			
Channels of distribution:				
U.S. shipments:				
To distributors (M)				
To end users (N)				

<u>RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS</u>.--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines M and N) in each time period equal the quantity reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines D, F and H) 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.

	Calendar years			
Reconciliation item	2016	2017	2018	
M + N - D - F - H = zero ("0"), if not				
revise.	0	0	0	

II-7c. <u>U.S. imports from Taiwan, by type</u>.-- Report your firm's U.S. imports, by type.

Taiwan

Quantity (in 1,000 pounds)				
	Calendar year 2018 Coating type			
U.S. imports	Hot-dipped galvanized	Electroplated galvanized	Non- galvanized	Total
Threading and steel type: Continuously threaded rod— Alloy steel (O)				0
Non-alloy steel (P)				0
Other than continuously threaded rod— Alloy steel ¹ (Q)				0
Non-alloy steel ¹ (R)				0
Total	0	0	0	0
¹ Please identify these products:				

<u>RECONCILIATION OF U.S. IMPORTS BY TYPE.</u>--Please ensure that the quantities reported for U.S. imports by type (i.e., lines O through R) equal the quantities reported for U.S. imports (i.e., line B) in 2018 from part "a" of this question. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "O"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

	Calendar year
Reconciliation	2018
O + P + Q + R - B = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0

II-8a. <u>U.S. imports from Thailand</u>.—Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of threaded rod imported from Thailand by your firm during the specified periods.

Thailand

Quan	tity (in 1,000 pounds	s), value (<i>in \$1,000</i>)		
	Calendar years			
Item	2016	2017	2018	
Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)				
Imports: ¹ Quantity (B)				
Value (C)				
U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D)				
Value (E)				
Internal consumption: ² Quantity (F)				
Value² (G)				
Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H)				
Value² (I)				
Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J)				
Value (K)				
End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L)				
¹ Please list the 10-digit HTS statistical re Please identify the foreign producers, if ² Internal consumption and transfers to r basis for valuing these transactions in your the data provided above in this table should ³ Identify your firm's principal export ma	known: elated firms must be verecords, please specify be based on fair mark	alued at fair market value. I that basis (e.g., cost, cost pl	f your firm uses a different	

II-8a. U.S. imports from Thailand.—Continued

RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, IMPORTS, AND INVENTORIES.--Generally, the data reported for the end-of-period inventories (i.e., line L) 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, 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.

	Calendar years		
Reconciliation	2016	2017	2018
A + B - D - F - H - J - L = should equal			
zero ("0") or provide an explanation. ¹	0	0	0

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

II-8b. <u>Channels of distribution: Thailand</u>.-- Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms), by channel of distribution.

Thailand

	Quantity (in 1,000 pounds)		
	Calendar years		
Item	2016	2017	2018
Channels of distribution: U.S. shipments: To distributors (M)			
To end users (N)			

<u>RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS</u>.--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines M and N) in each time period equal the quantity reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines D, F and H) 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.

	Calendar years		
Reconciliation item	2016	2017	2018
M + N - D - F - H = zero ("0"), if not			
revise.	0	0	0

II-8c. <u>U.S. imports from Thailand, by type</u>.-- Report your firm's U.S. imports, by type.

Thailand

Quanti	ty (in 1,000 poເ	ınds)		
		Calendar y	ear 2018	
	Coating type			
U.S. imports	Hot-dipped galvanized	Electroplated galvanized	Non- galvanized	Total
Threading and steel type: Continuously threaded rod— Alloy steel (O)				0
Non-alloy steel (P)				0
Other than continuously threaded rod— Alloy steel¹ (Q)				0
Non-alloy steel ¹ (R)				0
Total	0	0	0	0
¹ Please identify these products:	•			

<u>RECONCILIATION OF U.S. IMPORTS BY TYPE.</u>--Please ensure that the quantities reported for U.S. imports by type (i.e., lines O through R) equal the quantities reported for U.S. imports (i.e., line B) in 2018 from part "a" of this question. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "O"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

	Calendar year
Reconciliation	2018
O + P + Q + R - B = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0

II-9a. <u>Imports from all other sources</u>.—Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of threaded rod imported from **all other sources** by your firm during the specified periods. .

All other sources

(list sources:)	
Quanti	ty (in 1,000 pound	s), value (<i>in \$1,000</i>)		
	Calendar years			
Item	2016	2017	2018	
Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)				
Imports:¹ Quantity (B)				
Value (C)				
U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D)				
Value (E)				
Internal consumption: ² Quantity (F)				
Value² (G)				
Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H)				
Value² (I)				
Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J)				
Value (K)				
End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L)				
1 Please list the 10-digit HTS statistical Please identify the foreign producers 2 Internal consumption and transfers t different basis for valuing these transacti However, the data provided abov	, if known: o related firms must ons in your records, ve in this table shoul	t be valued at fair market v please specify that basis (o	alue. If your firm uses a e.g., cost, cost plus, etc.):	

II-9a. 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 L) 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, 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.

	Calendar years		
Reconciliation	2016	2017	2018
A + B - D - F - H - J - L = should equal			
zero ("0") or provide an explanation. ¹	0	0	0

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

II-9b. <u>Channels of distribution: All other sources</u>.-- Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms), by channel of distribution.

All other sources

	Quantity (in 1,000 pounds)		
	Calendar years		
Item	2016	2017	2018
Channels of distribution: U.S. shipments: To distributors (M)			
To end users (N)			

<u>RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS</u>.--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines M and N) in each time period equal the quantity reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines D, F and H) 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.

	Calendar years		
Reconciliation item	2016	2017	2018
M + N - D - F - H = zero ("0"), if not			
revise.	0	0	0

II-9c. <u>U.S. imports from all other sources, by type</u>.-- Report your firm's U.S. imports, by type.

All other sources

Quanti	ty (<i>in 1,000 poເ</i>	ınds)		
	Calendar year 2018			
	Coating type			
U.S. imports	Hot-dipped galvanized	Electroplated galvanized	Non- galvanized	Total
Threading and steel type: Continuously threaded rod— Alloy steel (O)				0
Non-alloy steel (P)				0
Other than continuously threaded rod— Alloy steel ¹ (Q)				0
Non-alloy steel ¹ (R)				0
Total	0	0	0	0
¹ Please identify these products:	•			

<u>RECONCILIATION OF U.S. IMPORTS BY TYPE.</u>--Please ensure that the quantities reported for U.S. imports by type (i.e., lines O through R) equal the quantities reported for U.S. imports (i.e., line B) in 2018 from part "a" of this question. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "O"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

	Calendar year
Reconciliation	2018
O + P + Q + R - B = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0

II-10.	Transfers to related firms If your firm reported transfers to related firms in any of the data tables in part II, please identify the firm(s) and indicate the nature of the relationship between your firm and the related firms (e.g., joint venture, wholly owned subsidiary) and whether the transfers were priced at market value or by a non-market formula.
II-11.	Other explanationsIf your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part II for which a narrative response box was not provided, 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.

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from James Horne (202-205-2722, james.horne@usitc.gov).

III-1. <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 III.

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	

PRICE DATA

- III-2. This question requests quarterly quantity and value data for your firm's commercial shipments to unrelated U.S. distributors since January 1, 2016 of the following products your firm imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand:
 - <u>Product 1.--</u> Low-carbon steel fully threaded rod, electroplated with zinc, a 3/8 in diameter, 16 threads per inch, in 10-foot lengths, in cardboard tubes.
 - <u>Product 2.--</u> Low-carbon steel fully threaded rod, electroplated with zinc, a 1/2 in diameter, 13 threads per inch, in 10-foot lengths, in cardboard tubes.
 - <u>Product 3.--</u> Low-carbon steel fully threaded rod, electroplated with zinc, a 3/4 in diameter, 10 threads per inch, in 12-foot lengths, in cardboard tubes.
 - **Product 4.--** Low-carbon steel fully threaded rod, electroplated with zinc, a 5/8 in diameter, 11 threads per inch, in 12-foot lengths, in cardboard tubes.
 - <u>Product 5.--</u> Alloy steel fully threaded rod, produced to ASTM A193 Grade B7, a 3/4 inch diameter, 10 threads per inch, in 12-foot lengths, in cardboard tubes.
 - <u>Product 6.--</u> Alloy steel fully threaded rod, produced to ASTM A193 Grade B7, a 1-1/4 inch diameter, 8 threads per inch, in 12-foot lengths, in cardboard tubes.

Please note that values should be <u>f.o.b.</u>, <u>U.S.</u> <u>point of shipment</u> 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).

During January 2016- December 2018, did your firm import from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand and sell to unrelated U.S. distributors any of the above listed products (or any products that were competitive with these products)?

YesPlease complete the following pricing data table(s) as appropriate.
NoSkip to question III-3.

III-2a. <u>Price data</u>.--Report below the quarterly price data¹ for pricing products² imported from subject countries and sold by your firm to unrelated U.S. distributors.

China

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

(Quantity in pounds, value in dollars)

	Product 1		Product 2		Product 3	
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2016:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September	1					
October-December						
2017:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2018:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
¹ Net values (i.e., gross sa f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of ² Pricing product definition	shipment.			aid freight, and	d the value of retu	irned goods),
Note -If your firm's product of provide a description of your	•			•		
Product 1:						
Product 2:						

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Product 3:

III-2a. China price data.--Continued.

Product 6:

	(Qu	antity in pounds	s, value in dollars)			
	Product 4		Produ	Product 5		ct 6
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2016:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2017:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2018:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
¹ Net values (i.e., gross sa f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of ² Pricing product definition	shipment.			aid freight, and	d the value of retu	irned goods),
Note -If your firm's product d provide a description of your f Product 4:	•			•		•
Product 5:						

India

Report data in *pounds* and <u>actual dollars</u> (not 1,000s).

	(Qu	antity in pounds	s, value in dollars)			
	Produ	ct 1	Produ	Product 2		ct 3
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2016:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2017:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September	1					
October-December						
2018:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
Net values (i.e., gross sa f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of Pricing product definition	shipment.			aid freight, and	d the value of retu	irned goods),
Note If your firm's product d provide a description of your f						
Product 1:						
Product 2:						

Table continued on next page.

Product 3:

III-2a. India price data.--Continued.

Product 6:

	(Qu	antity in pounds	s, value in dollars)			
	Product 4		Produ	Product 5		ct 6
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2016:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2017:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2018:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
¹ Net values (i.e., gross sa f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of ² Pricing product definition	shipment.			aid freight, and	d the value of retu	irned goods),
Note -If your firm's product d provide a description of your f Product 4:	•			•		•
Product 5:						

Taiwan

Report data in *pounds* and <u>actual dollars</u> (not 1,000s).

	(Qua	ntity in pounds	, value in dollars)			
	Produc	t 1	Produ	ct 2	Produc	:t 3
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2016:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2017:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2018:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
¹ Net values (i.e., gross sa	ales values less all dis	counts, allowan	ces, rebates, prep	aid freight, and	d the value of retu	rned goods),
f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of						
² Pricing product definition	ons are provided on t	he first page of	Part III.			
Note -If your firm's product of provide a description of your						
Product 1:						
Product 2:						
Product 3:						

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III-2a. <u>Taiwan price data</u>.--Continued.

Product 6:

	(Qu	antity in pounds	s, value in dollars)			
	Product 4		Produ	Product 5		ct 6
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2016:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2017:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2018:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
¹ Net values (i.e., gross sa f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of ² Pricing product definition	shipment.			aid freight, and	d the value of retu	irned goods),
Note -If your firm's product d provide a description of your f Product 4:	•			•		•
Product 5:						

Thailand

Report data in *pounds* and <u>actual dollars</u> (not 1,000s).

	(Qua	ntity in pounds	, value in dollars)			
	Produc	t 1	Produ	ct 2	Produc	:t 3
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2016:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2017:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2018:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
¹ Net values (i.e., gross sa f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of ² Pricing product definition	shipment.			aid freight, and	d the value of retu	rned goods),
NoteIf your firm's product of provide a description of your f						
Product 1:						
Product 2:						
Product 3:						

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III-2a. Thailand price data.--Continued.

Product 6:

	(Qu	antity in pounds	s, value in dollars)			
	Produ	ct 4	Produ	ct 5	Product 6	
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2016:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2017:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2018:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
¹ Net values (i.e., gross sa f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of ² Pricing product definition	shipment.			aid freight, and	d the value of retu	urned goods),
Note -If your firm's product d provide a description of your f Product 4:	•					
Product 5:						

Is the price data reported above: In actual dollars (not \$1,000)? In actual pounds (not 1,000 pounds)?	
In actual pounds (<i>not</i> 1,000 pounds)?	
F.o.b. U.S. point of shipment (i.e., does not include U.S. transport costs)?	
Net of all discounts and rebates?	
Have returns credited to the quarter in which the sale occurred?	
Less than reported commercial shipments in part II in each year?	
III-2c. Pricing data methodologyPlease describe the method and the kinds of documents/records that were used to compile your price data.	
the preparation of the price data, as Commission staff may contact your firm regarding questions on 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. III-3. Price settingHow does your firm determine the prices that it charges for sales of threaded (check all that apply)? If your firm issues price lists, please submit sample pages of a recent I	od
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III-6. Contract versus spot.--Approximately what share of your firm's sales of threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand in 2018 was on a (1) short-term contract basis, (2) annual contract basis, (3) long-term contract basis, and (4) spot sales basis?

	Type of sale					
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)	Spot sales (for a single delivery)	Total (shoul sum t 100.09	ld o
Share of 2018 sales	%	%	%	%	0.0	%

III-7. <u>Contract provisions.</u>— Please fill out the table regarding your firm's typical sales contracts for threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand (or check "not applicable" if your firm does not sell on a short-term, annual and/or long-term 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	No. of days		365	
Price renegotiation	Yes			
(during contract period)	No			
	Quantity			
Fixed quantity and/or price	Price			
ana, or price	Both			
Indexed to raw	Yes			
material costs ¹	No			
Not applicable				
¹ Please identify the indexes used:				

III-8. <u>Lead times.</u>--What is your firm's share of sales of threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand from inventory and 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 threaded rod?

Source	Share of 2018 sales	Lead time (Average number of days)
From your firm's U.S. inventory	%	
From foreign manufacturers' inventory	%	
Produced to order	%	
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %	

III-9. <u>S</u>	Shipping	<u>informat</u>	<u>ion</u> .—
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(a)	What is the approximate percentage of the cost of threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand that is accounted for by U.S. inland transportation costs? percent.
(b)	Who generally arranges the transportation to your firm's customers' locations? Your firm Purchaser (check one)
(c)	When your firm sells threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand, from where is it shipped? Point of importation Storage facility (check one)
(d)	Indicate the approximate percentage of your firm's sales of threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand 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	%
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %

III-10.	Geographical shipmentsIn which U.S. geographic market area(s) has your firm sold threaded
	rod imported from subject countries since January 1, 2016 (check all that apply)?

Geographic area	China	India
NortheastCT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, and VT.		
Midwest.–IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, and WI.		
Southeast.—AL, DE, DC, FL, GA, KY, MD, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, and WV.		
Central Southwest.—AR, LA, OK, and TX.		
Mountains.—AZ, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, UT, and WY.		
Pacific Coast.–CA, OR, and WA.		
Other .—All other markets in the United States not previously listed, including AK, HI, PR, and VI.		

III-11. <u>End uses.--</u>List the end uses of the threaded rod that your firm imports. For each end-use product, what percentage of the <u>total cost</u> is accounted for by threaded rod and other inputs?

	Share of total cost	Total	
End-use product	threaded rod	Other inputs	(should sum to 100.0% across)
	%	%	0.0 %
	%	%	0.0 %
	%	%	0.0 %

III-12.	III-12. <u>Substitutes</u> Can other products be substituted for threaded rod?				
	☐ No	YesPlease fill out t	the tak	ole.	
		End use in which this	На		ranges in the price of this substitute cted the price for threaded rod?
	Substitute	substitute is used	No	Yes	Explanation
1.					
2.					
3.					

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III-13.	Demand trends. Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United
	States (if known) for threaded rod has changed since January 1, 2016. Explain any trends and
	describe the principal factors that have affected these changes in demand.

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Mari	ket	Overall		Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explanation and factors		
Within the U	nited State	s 🗌				•		
Outside the U	nited State	s 🗌						
III-14. Product changesHave there been any significant changes in the product range, product mix or marketing of threaded rod since January 1, 2016?								
	No	Yes If	yes, please	describe.				
III-15.	 (a) Is the threaded rod market subject to business cycles (other than general economy-wide conditions) and/or other conditions of competition distinctive to threaded rod? 							
	Check all	that apply.		Please	describe.			
		No		Skip to	question III-16.			
		Yes-Busines seasonal bu		g.				
	Yes-Other distinctive conditions of competition							
	(b) If yes, have there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of competition for threaded rod since January 1, 2016?							
No Yes If			If yes, des	cribe.				

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III-16.	Supply constraintsHas your firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply threaded rod
	since January 1, 2016 (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, being unable to meet timely shipment commitments, etc.)?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe.

III-17. Raw materials.--How have threaded rod raw material prices changed since January 1, 2016?

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 threaded rod.

III-18. <u>Interchangeability</u>.--Is threaded 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 0 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

0 = *no familiarity* with products from a specified country-pair

Country-pair	China	India	Taiwan	Thailand	Other countries
United States					
China					
India					
Taiwan					
Thailand					
			is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>r</i> or preclude inter	-	•

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III-19. <u>Factors other than price.</u>—Are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, *etc.*) between threaded 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 0 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

0 = *no familiarity* with products from a specified country-pair

Country-pair	China	India	Taiwan	Thailand	Other countries
United States					
China					
India					
Taiwan					
Thailand					

For any country-pair for which factors other than price *always* or *frequently* are a significant factor in your firm's sales of threaded rod, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:

III-20. <u>Customer identification</u>.--List the names and contact information for your firm's 10 largest U.S. customers for threaded rod since January 1, 2016. Indicate the share of the quantity of your firm's total shipments of threaded rod that each of these customers accounted for in 2018.

	Customer's name	Contact person	Email	Telephone	City	State	Share of 2018 sales (%)
1							
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III-21.	Impact of the section 232 investigation This question concerns the section 232 investigation
	and subsequent tariffs imposed on imported steel products.
	(a) Did the appropriate of the 232 investigation in April 2017 or the subsequent imposition

(;	a) Did the announcement of the 232 investigation in April 2017 or the subsequent imposition
	of tariffs on imported steel products beginning in March 2018 have an impact on the
	threaded rod market?

Yes—Please fill out table below and answer part (b)	No	Don't know

Item	Response		
Impact on your firm ¹			
Impact on overall U.S. market ¹			
¹ Please identify the magnitude and timing of any effects, and compare your firm's operations/overall market			

¹ Please identify the magnitude and timing of any effects, and compare your firm's operations/overall market before and after the application of additional tariffs on imported steel products.

(b) <u>Assessment of impact of the section 232 tariffs.</u>--Please indicate the impact of the 232 investigation and subsequent imposition of on imported steel products beginning in March 2018.

		No		Fluctuate with no clear	
Item	Increase	change	Decrease	trend	Explanation and factors
Overall demand for threaded rod in the U.S. market					
Supply of threaded rod in the U.S. market					
Prices for threaded rod in the U.S. market					
Raw material costs for threaded rod in the U.S. market					

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III-22.	Impact of the section 301 investigationThis question concerns the section 301 investigation
	and subsequent announcement of additional tariffs that include threaded rod proposed and
	implemented by the United States in response to Chinese trade practices.

(a)	Did the announcement of the 301 investigation in June 2018 or the subsequent imposition
	of tariffs on Chinese-origin products have an impact on the threaded rod market?

Yes—Please fill out table below and answer part (b)	No	Don't know

Item	Response	
Impact on your firm ¹		
Impact on overall U.S. market ¹		
¹ Please identify the magnitude	and timing of any effects, and compare your firm's operations/overall market	
before and after the announcement of the section 301 measures.		

Assessment of impact of the section 301 investigation. -- Please indicate the impact of (b) the announcements and subsequent imposition of duties under the section 301 investigation.

Item	Increase	No change	Decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explanation and factors
Overall demand for threaded rod in the U.S. market					
Supply of threaded rod in the U.S. market					
Prices for threaded rod in the U.S. market					
Raw material costs for threaded rod in the U.S. market					

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III-23. Impact of the carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod antidumping and countervailing duty ordersThis question concerns the most recent antidumping and countervailing duty orders carbon and alloy steel wire rod (wire rod).							
(a) Did the petitions on wire rod in March 2017 or the subsequent issuance of antidumping countervailing duty orders in January - May 2018 have an impact on the threaded rod market?							
	1	se fill out t answer pa		w and	No		Don't know
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Item			Response				
Impact on your firm ¹							
Impact on overall U.S. market ¹		market ¹					
¹ Please identify the magnitude and timing of any effects, and compare your firm's operations/overal before and after the issuance of the AD/CVD orders.			erations/overall market				
(b) Assessment of impact of the carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod antidumping and countervailing duty ordersPlease indicate the impact on threaded rod, of the petitic wire rod and the subsequent issuance of antidumping and countervailing duty orders wire rod.				od, of the petitions on			
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	emand for I rod in the						

U.S. market

Supply of threaded rod in the U.S. market

Prices for threaded rod in the U.S. market
Raw material costs for

threaded rod in the U.S. market

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III-24.	Other explanationsIf your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part III for which a narrative response box was not provided, 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.

Correcting Valid number error messages.--If you are completing a Commission questionnaire in a country that uses periods (".") to delineate multiples of 1000 (e.g., one million would appear as \$1.000.000 instead of as \$1,000,000), you may be unable to enter in numbers greater than 999 in numeric form fields. This issues stem from your computer number formatting setting (e.g., not the MS Word document itself, but the computer from which you are opening up the document). In the United States commas (,) delineate multiples of 1000 and periods (.) delineate fractions less than one. Many EU countries use the reverse where multiples of 1000 are delineated with periods (.) and fractions less than one are delineated with commas (,). The US International Trade Commission's questionnaires are set-up in the United States with the U.S. number formatting. When this formatting interacts with a computer set to EU number formatting, we believe this may cause this issue.

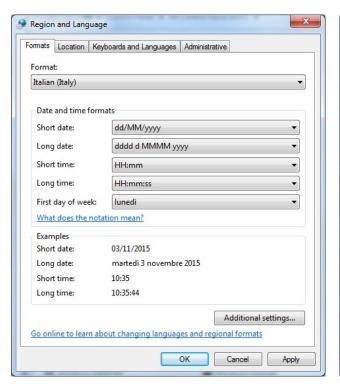
The solution to this data entry issue is to temporarily change your operating system's number formatting to be consistent with the U.S. number formatting system while you complete the questionnaire.

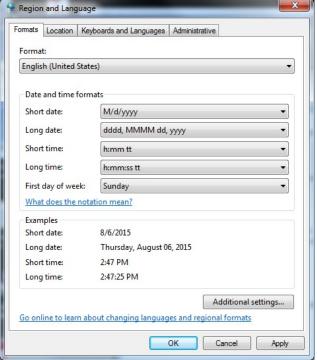
To temporarily change your computer's number settings to U.S. settings, please do the following (for Microsoft Windows Operating system):

- START
- Control Panel
- Region and Language (under Clock, Language, and Region category)
- Format tab
- Change the Format from your existing one (e.g. "Italian (Italy)") to "English (United States)" (see screen shots below)

When you do this the number "twelve million dollars and thirty five cents" would change from \$12.000.000,35 (Italy format) to \$12,000,000.35 (U.S. format), and then there will be no conflict with the questionnaire. When you finish reporting the data then you can close the questionnaire and switch back to Italy settings.

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HOW TO FILE YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE

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

https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2019/carbon and alloy steel threaded rod china india/preliminary.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: TROD

• E-mail.—E-mail the MS Word questionnaire to keysha.martinez@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 import this product, 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, it is 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.