U.S. PRODUCERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

QUARTZ SURFACE PRODUCTS FROM CHINA

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by May 1, 2018

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 antidumping and countervailing duty investigations concerning quartz surface products from China (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-606 and 731-TA-1416 (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)).

	State	Zip Code
Website		
Has your firm produce	d quartz surface products (as defined on r	next page) at any time since January 1, 2015?
NO (Sign the certification below and promptly return only this page of the questionnaire to the Commission)		this page of the questionnaire to the Commission)
YES (Comple	ete all parts of the questionnaire, and return th	ne entire questionnaire to the Commission)
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PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

<u>Background</u>.-- This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed on April 17, 2018, by Cambria Company LLC, Eden Prairie, Minnesota. 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://usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2018/quartz surface products china/preliminary.htm.

Quartz surface products covered by the investigations are products consisting of slabs and other surfaces created from a mixture of materials that includes predominately silica (e.g., quartz, quartz powder, cristobalite) as well as a resin binder (e.g., an unsaturated polyester). The incorporation of other materials, including but not limited to pigments, cement or other additives, does not remove the merchandise from the scope of the investigations. Quartz surface products are typically sold as slabs with a total surface area of approximately 45 to 60 square feet and a nominal thickness of 1 centimeter, 2 centimeters, or 3 centimeters. However, the scope of these investigations includes products of all sizes, thicknesses, and shapes. Quartz surface products are covered by the investigations whether polished or unpolished, cut or uncut, fabricated or not fabricated, cured or uncured, edged or not edged, finished or unfinished, thermoformed or not thermoformed, further processed or not further processed, packaged or unpackaged, and regardless of the type of surface finish.

In addition, quartz surface products are covered by the investigations whether or not they are imported attached to or in conjunction with non-subject merchandise such as sinks, sink bowls, vanities, cabinets, and furniture. If quartz surface products are imported attached to or in conjunction with such non-subject merchandise, only the quartz surface product is covered by the scope.

Excluded from the scope of the investigations are quarried stone slabs such as granite, marble, soapstone, or quartzite.

Subject merchandise includes material matching the above description that has been finished, packaged, or otherwise fabricated or further processed in a third country, including by cutting, polishing, curing, edging, thermoforming, attaching to or packaging with another product, or any other finishing, packaging, fabrication, or further processing that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of the investigation if performed in the country of manufacture of the quartz surface products.

The products subject to the scope are currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS") under subheading 6810.99.00 and are reported under statistical reporting number 6810.99.0010. Goods of a type described in Commerce's scope may also be imported under subheadings 6802.91 or 6802.93 or statistical reporting numbers 6810.11.0010, 6810.11.0070, 6810.19.1200, 6810.19.1400, 6810.19.5000, 6810.91.0000, 6810.99.0010, 6810.99.0080, 6815.91.0070, 2506.10.0010, 2506.10.0050, 2506.20.0010, 2506.20.0080, 2515.11.0000, 2515.12.1000, 2515.12.2000, 2516.11.0000, 2516.20.1000, 2517.41.0000, and 2529.10.0000. The HTSUS subheadings and statistical reporting numbers set forth above are provided for convenience and administrative purposes only. The written description of the scope 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, 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.

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. In addition, if your firm is a U.S. producer, the information you provide on your production and imports of quartz surface products and your responses to the questions in Part I of the producer questionnaire will be provided to the U.S. Department of Commerce, upon its request, for use in connection with (and only in connection with) its requirement pursuant to section 702(c)(4)/732(c)(4) of the Act (19 U.S.C. § 1671a(c)(4)/1673a(c)(4)) to make a determination concerning the extent of industry support for the petition requesting this proceeding. Any information provided to Commerce will be transmitted under the confidentiality and release guidelines set forth above. Your response to these questions constitutes your consent that such information be provided to Commerce under the conditions described above.

<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 macroenabled 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-1a.	OMB statisticsPlease 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 50 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.

TAA information releaseIn the event that the U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC)
makes an affirmative final determination in this proceeding, do you consent to the USITC's
release of your contact information (company name, address, contact person, telephone
number, email address) appearing on the front page of this questionnaire to the Departments of
Commerce, Labor, and Agriculture, as applicable, so that your firm and its workers can be made
eligible for benefits under the Trade Adjustment Assistance program?

Yes N

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Establishments covered ¹	City, State	Zip (5 digit)	Description
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
¹ Additional discuss	ion on establishments co	onsolidated in this ques	tionnaire:
Petition supportDoe	es your firm support or	oppose the petition? Oppose	Take no position
Country	Support	Oppose	Take no position
Country China (AD)	Support		
Country China (AD) China (CVD)	Support		
China (AD) China (CVD) OwnershipIs your fire	Support Support Support	in part, by any other	firm? Extent of ownersh

foreign, that are engaged in ir	ted importers/exportersDoes your firm have any related firms, either domestic or gn, that are engaged in importing quartz surface products from China into the United States are engaged in exporting quartz surface products from China to the United States?		
☐ No ☐ YesList th	ne following information.		
Firm name	Country	Affiliation	
No YesList tl	he following information. Country	Affiliation	
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PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Amanda Lawrence (202-205-3185, amanda.lawrence@usitc.gov). Supply all data requested on a calendar-year basis.

II-1.	Contact informationPlease identify the responsible individual and the manner by which			
	Commission s	staff may contact that individual regarding	ng the confidential information submitted	
	in part II.	,		
	Name			
	Title			
	Email			
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II-2. <u>Changes in operations.</u>--Please indicate whether your firm has experienced any of the following changes in relation to the production of quartz surface products since January 1, 2015.

(chec	k as many as appropriate)	(If checked, please describe; leave blank if not applicable)
	plant openings	
	plant closings	
	relocations	
	expansions	
	acquisitions	
	consolidations	
	prolonged shutdowns or production curtailments	
	revised labor agreements	
	other (e.g., technology)	

II-3a. **Production using same machinery.--**Please report your firm's production of products made on the same equipment and machinery used to produce quartz surface products, and the combined production capacity on this shared equipment and machinery in the periods indicated.

"Overall production capacity" or "capacity" – The level of production that your establishment(s) could reasonably have expected to attain during the specified periods. Assume normal operating conditions (i.e., using equipment and machinery in place and ready to operate; normal operating levels (hours per week/weeks per year) and time for downtime, maintenance, repair, and cleanup).

Note.--If your firm does not produce any out-of-scope merchandise on the same machinery and equipment as scope merchandise then the "overall production capacity" numbers reported in this question should be exactly equal to the "average production capacity" numbers reported in question II-7. If, however, your firm does produce out-of-scope merchandise using the same machinery and equipment as scope mercandhise, then the "average production capacity" reported in question II-7 should exclude the portion of "overall production capacity" that was used to produce this out-of-scope merchandise.

"**Production**" – All production in your U.S. establishment(s), including production consumed internally within your firm and production for another firm under a toll agreement.

Quantity (in square feet)				
	Calendar years			
Item	2015	2016	2017	
Overall production capacity				
Production of: Quartz surface products ¹	0	0	0	
Out-of-scope production Cultured marble				
Solid surface products				
Natural marble				
Natural quartz				
Other products ²				
Subtotal, out-of-scope production	0	0	0	
Total, same machinery	0	0	0	

II-3b. **Operating parameters.--**The production capacity reported in II-3a is based on the following operating parameters:

Hours per week	Weeks per year

² Please identify these products:

No Yes products) Please identify other actual or potential products:			
(i) Is your firm able to switch production (capacity) between quartz surface products products using the same equipment and/or labor? If yes—(i.e., have produced other products or are able to produce of products) Please identify other actual or potential products:			
If yes—(i.e., have produced other products or are able to produce of products) Please identify other actual or potential products:	Product	shifting.—	
No Yes products) Please identify other actual or potential products: (ii) Please describe the factors that affect your firm's ability to shift production capace between products (e.g., time, cost, relative price change, etc.), and the degree to these factors enhance or constrain such shifts. TollingSince January 1, 2015, has your firm been involved in a toll agreement regarding production of quartz surface products? "Toll agreement"Agreement between two firms whereby the first firm furnishes the raw materials and the second firm uses the raw materials to produce a product that it then re to the first firm with a charge for processing costs, overhead, etc. If yes Please describe the toll arrangement(s) and name the firm(s		-	
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	material	s and the se	cond firm uses the raw materials to produce a product that it then returns
No Yes involved.	No	Yes	If yes Please describe the toll arrangement(s) and name the firm(s) involved.

II-5.	Foreign	trade	zones
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(a) <u>Firm's FTZ operations</u>.--Does your firm produce quartz surface products in and/or admit quartz surface products into a foreign trade zone (FTZ)?

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

No	If yes Describe the nature of your firms operations in FTZs and identify the specific FTZ site(s).

(b) Other firms' FTZ operations.--To your knowledge, do any firms in the United States import quartz surface products into a foreign trade zone (FTZ) for use in distribution of quartz surface products and/or the production of downstream articles?

No	Yes	If yesIdentify the firms and the FTZs.

II-6. <u>Importer</u>.--Since January 1, 2015, has your firm imported quartz surface products?

"Importer" – The person or firm primarily liable for the payment of any duties on the merchandise, or an authorized agent acting on his behalf. The importer may be the consignee, or the importer of record.

No	Yes	
		If yes <u>COMPLETE AND RETURN A U.S. IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE</u>

- II-7. <u>Production, shipment, and inventory data</u>.--Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of quartz surface products in its U.S. establishment(s) during the specified periods.
 - "Average production capacity" or "capacity" The level of production that your establishment(s) could reasonably have expected to attain during the specified periods. Assume normal operating conditions (i.e., using equipment and machinery in place and ready to operate; normal operating levels (hours per week/weeks per year) and time for downtime, maintenance, repair, and cleanup; and a typical or representative product mix).
 - "**Production**" All production in your U.S. establishment(s), including production consumed internally within your firm and production for another firm under a toll agreement.
 - "Commercial U.S. shipments" Shipments made within the United States as a result of an arm's length commercial transaction in the ordinary course of business. Report <u>net values</u> (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 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.
 - "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. Production, shipment, and inventory data.--Continued

Quantity (in squa	re feet) and value (in	\$1,000)		
		Calendar years		
Item	2015	2016	2017	
Average production capacity ¹ (quantity) (A)				
Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (B)				
Production (quantity) (C)				
U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D)				
Value (E)				
Internal consumption: ² Quantity (F)				
Value ² (G)				
Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H)				
Value² (I)				
Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J)				
Value (K)				
End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L)				
¹ The production capacity reported is based on op describe the methodology used to calculate product				
Internal consumption and transfers to related find different basis for valuing these transactions in your However, the data provided above in this ta	records, please spec ble should be based o	ify that basis (e.g., cos		

<u>RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, PRODUCTION, AND INVENTORY.</u>--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 B), plus production (i.e., line C), less total shipments (i.e., lines D, F, H, and J). Please ensure that any differences are not due to data entry errors in completing this form, but rather reflect your firm's actual records; and, also provide explanations for any differences (e.g., theft, loss, damage, record systems issues, etc.) if they exist.

		Calendar years	
Reconciliation	2015	2016	2017
B + C - 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-8. <u>Channels of distribution</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.

Quantity (<i>in squ</i>	uare feet) and value (in	1 \$1,000)	
	Calendar years		
ltem	2015	2016	2017
Channels of distribution:			
U.S. shipments:			
To distributors			
Quantity (M)			
Value (N)			
To fabricators and retailers.—			
Quantity (O)			
Value (P)			
To contractors and builders.—			
Quantity (Q)			
Value (R)			
To manufacturers.—			
Quantity (S)			
Value (T)			
To other end users.1—			
Quantity (U)			
Value (V)			
¹ Please describe the other end users:	•	•	

<u>RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS</u>.--Please ensure that the quantities and values reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines M through V) in each time period equal the quantity and value reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., line D through I) 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	2015	2016	2017
Quantity: M + O + Q + S + U -D - F - H =			
zero ("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0
Value: $N + P + R + T + V - E - G - I = zero$			
("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0

II-9. <u>US shipments by level of fabrication</u>.--Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) by level of fabrication.

Quantity	(in square feet) and value (in	n \$1,000)		
		Calendar years		
Item	2015	2016	2017	
Level of fabrication:				
U.S. shipments:				
Not fabricated				
Quantity (W)				
Value (X)				
Fabricated.—				
Quantity (Y)				
Value (Z)				

<u>RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS</u>.--Please ensure that the quantities and values reported for US shipments in this question (i.e., lines W through Z) in each time period equal the quantity and value reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., line D through I) 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	2015	2016	2017
Quantity: $W + Y - D - F - H = zero$ ("0"), if			
not revise.	0	0	0
Value: $X + Z - E - G - I = zero ("0"), if not$			
revise.	0	0	0

Explanation of trends:

II-10. **Employment data**.--Report your firm's employment-related data related to the production of quartz surface products and provide an explanation for any trends in these data.

"Production and Related Workers" (PRWs) includes working supervisors and all nonsupervisory workers (including group leaders and trainees) engaged in fabricating, processing, assembling, inspecting, receiving, storage, handling, packing, warehousing, shipping, trucking, hauling, maintenance, repair, janitorial and guard services, product development, auxiliary production for plant's own use (e.g., power plant), recordkeeping, and other services closely associated with the above production operations.

Average number employed may be computed by adding the number of employees, both full time and part time, for the 12 pay periods ending closest to the 15th of the month and divide that total by 12.

"Hours worked" includes time paid for sick leave, holidays, and vacation time. Include overtime hours actually worked; do not convert overtime pay to its equivalent in straight time hours.

"Wages paid" – Total wages paid before deductions of any kind (e.g., withholding taxes, old-age and unemployment insurance, group insurance, union dues, bonds, etc.). Include wages paid directly by your firm for overtime, holidays, vacations, and sick leave.

	Calendar years		
Item	2015	2016	2017
Average number of PRWs (number)			
Hours worked by PRWs (1,000 hours)			
Wages paid to PRWs (\$1,000)			

ature of the relations	hip between yo	our firm and th	e related firms	(e.g., joint venture,
y owned subsidiary),	whether the tr	ansfers were p	riced at market	t value or by a non-
et formula, whether	your firm retair	ned marketing	rights to all trar	nsfers, and whether
	ature of the relations ly owned subsidiary), et formula, whether	ature of the relationship between your owned subsidiary), whether the tret formula, whether your firm retain	ature of the relationship between your firm and the ly owned subsidiary), whether the transfers were pet formula, whether your firm retained marketing is	ed firmsIf your firm reported transfers to related firms in quest ature of the relationship between your firm and the related firms by owned subsidiary), whether the transfers were priced at marke et formula, whether your firm retained marketing rights to all traced firms also processed inputs from sources other than your firm.

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II-12.		Purchases Other than imports, has your firm otherwise purchased quartz surface products (either domestic or imported) since January 1, 2015?							
		"Purchase" – A transaction to buy product from a U.S. corporate entity such as another U.S. producer, a U.S. distributor, or a U.S. firm that has directly imported the product.							
	"Import" –A transaction to buy from a foreign supplier where your firm is the importer of record.								
	No	Yes	If yes Report firms' purchase	such purchases bel es:	ow and explain the	reasons for your			
			(Qu	antity in square fee	t)				
					Calendar years				
		Item		2015	2016	2017			
surface Chin	e products t a	from—	ters ¹ of quartz						
	ther source								
	ses from d								
	ses from o					f finns / s i			
supplier	rs differ by s	ource, plea	ase identify the so	n which your firm pur urce for each listed su J.S. distributor(s) from	pplier:				
II-13.	Imports	-Since Jan	uary 1, 2015, has	s your firm imported	d quartz surface pro	ducts?			
	No	Yes							
			If yes <u>COMPL</u>	ETE AND RETURN A	U.S. IMPORTERS'	<u>QUESTIONNAIRE</u>			
II-14.									

PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Address questions on th	his part of the quest	tionnaire to Emily Kim	(202-205-1800,	<u>emily.kim@usitc.gov</u>) .

III-1.	Contact inform	nationPlease identify the responsible individual and the manner by which
		aff may contact that individual regarding the confidential information submitted
	in part III.	
	·	
	Name	
	Title	
	Email	
	Telephone	
III-2.	Accounting sys	stemBriefly describe your firm's financial accounting system.
	A.	When does your firm's fiscal year end (month and day)? If your firm's fiscal year changed during the data-collection period, explain below:
	B.1.	Describe the lowest level of operations (e.g., plant, division, company-wide) for which financial statements are prepared that include quartz surface products:
	2.	Does your firm prepare profit/loss statements for quartz surface products: Yes No
	3.	How often did your firm (or parent company) prepare financial statements (including annual reports, 10Ks)? Please check relevant items below. Audited, unaudited, annual reports, 10Ks, 10 Qs, Monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, annually
	4.	Accounting basis: GAAP, cash, tax, or other comprehensive basis of accounting (specify)
	used in regardi submit profit-a	As requested in Part I of this questionnaire, please keep all supporting documents/records the preparation of the financial data, as Commission staff may contact your firm ng questions on the financial data. The Commission may also request that your company copies of the supporting documents/records (financial statements, including internal and-loss statements for the division or product group that includes quartz surface products, as specific statements and worksheets) used to compile these data.
III-3.	Cost accountin	ng systemBriefly describe your firm's cost accounting system (e.g., standard cost, etc.).

III-4.	<u>Allocation basis</u> Briefly describe your firm's allocation basis, if any, for COGS, SG&A, and					
	interest expense and other income and expenses.					

III-5. **Product listing**.--Please list the products your firm produced in the facilities in which your firm produced quartz surface products, and provide the share of net sales accounted for by these products in your firm's most recent fiscal year.

Share of sales
%
%
%
24
%
%

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question the basis basis, as i related si	III-9a. For "Share of to of your most recently recorded in your comp	ur firm purchases from related supplier otal COGS" please report this informatic completed fiscal year. For "Input valua any's own accounting system, of the pud supplier's actual cost, cost plus, nego		on by relevant input on ation" please describe thurchase cost from the	
Input		Related su	pplier	Share of total COG	
Input va	luation as recorded in	the firm's	accounting books and recor	·ds	
	uppliers, as identified i	n III-7, were	Please confirm that the inpute reported in III-9a (financial firm's accounting books and	results on quartz sur	

III-9a. Operations on quartz surface products. --Report the revenue and related cost information requested below on the quartz surface products operations of your firm's U.S. establishment(s). Do not report resales of products. Note that internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued at fair market value. Input purchases from related suppliers should be consistent with and based on information in the firm's accounting books and records. Provide data for your firm's three most recently completed fiscal years. If your firm was involved in tolling operations (either as the toller or as the tollee), please contact Emily Kim at (202) 205-1800 before completing this section of the questionnaire.

Quantity (in square feet) and value (in \$1,000)				
	Fiscal years ended			
Item	2015	2016	2017	
Net sales quantities: ¹ Commercial sales ("CS")				
Internal consumption ("IC")				
Transfers to related firms ("Transfers")				
Total net sales quantities	0	0	0	
Net sales values: ² Commercial sales				
Internal consumption				
Transfers to related firms				
Total net sales values	0	0	0	
Cost of goods sold (COGS): ³ Raw materials				
Direct labor				
Other factory costs				
Total COGS	0	0	0	
Gross profit or (loss)	0	0	0	
Selling, general, and administrative (SG&A) expenses: Selling expenses				
General and administrative expenses				
Total SG&A expenses	0	0	0	
Operating income (loss)	0	0	0	
Other expenses and income: Interest expense				
All other expense items				
All other income items				
Net income or (loss) before income taxes	0	0	0	
Depreciation/amortization included above				

¹ Include only sales (whether <u>domestic or export</u>) and costs related to your <u>U.S. manufacturing operations</u>.

Note -- The table above contains calculations that will appear when you have entered data in the MS Word form fields.

² Less discounts, returns, allowances, and prepaid freight. The quantities and values should approximate the corresponding shipment quantities and values reported in Part II of this questionnaire.

³ COGS (whether for domestic or export sales) should include <u>costs associated with CS, IC, and Transfers.</u>

III-9b. Raw materials.--Please report the share of total raw material costs in 2017 (reported in III-9a) for the following raw material inputs:

		Procurement method			
Input	Share of total raw material costs (percent)	Primarily produced by your firm	Primarily purchased by your firm		
Silica (e.g., quartz, quartz powder, cristobalite)					
Resin binder					
Pigments					
Other material inputs ¹					
Total (should sum to 100 percent)	0.0				
¹ Please indicate any other notable "other" raw materials not expressly identified above and provide the share of the total raw material costs that they account for:					

III-9c. <u>Financial data reconciliation</u>.--The calculable line items from question III-9a (i.e., total net sales quantities and values, total COGS, gross profit (or loss), total SG&A, and net income (or loss)) have been calculated from the data submitted in the other line items. Do the calculated fields return the correct data according to your firm's financial records ignoring non-material differences that may arise due to rounding?

Yes	No	If no If the calculated fields do not show the correct data, please double check the feeder data for data entry errors and revise. Also, check signs accorded to the post operating income line items; the two expense line items should report positive numbers (i.e., expenses are positive and incomes or reversals are negativeinstances of the latter should be rare in those lines) while the income line item also in most instances should have its value be a positive number (i.e., income is positive, expenses or reversals are negative). If after reviewing and potentially revising the feeder data your firm has provided, the differences between your records and the calculated fields persist please identify and discuss the differences in the space below.

III-10. Nonrecurring items (charges and gains) included in the subject product financial results.--For each annual for which financial results are reported in question III-9a, please specify all material (significant) nonrecurring items (charges and gains) in the schedule below, the specific question III-9a line item where the nonrecurring items are included, a brief description of the relevant nonrecurring items, and the associated values (in \$1,000), as reflected in question III-9a; i.e., if an aggregate nonrecurring item has been allocated to question III-9a, only the allocated value amount included in question III-9a should be reported in the schedule below. Note: The Commission's objective here is to gather information only on material (significant) nonrecurring items which impacted the reported financial results of the subject product in question III-9a.

	Calendar years			
	2015	2016	2017	
Item		Value (\$1,000)		
Nonrecurring item 1				
Nonrecurring item 2				
Nonrecurring item 3				
Nonrecurring item 4				
Nonrecurring item 5				
Nonrecurring item 6				
Nonrecurring item 7				

Nonrecurring item: In this table please provide a brief description of each nonrecurring item reported above and indicate the specific line item in table III-9a where the nonrecurring item is classified.

	Description of the nonrecurring item	Income statement classification of the nonrecurring item
Nonrecurring item 1		
Nonrecurring item 2		
Nonrecurring item 3		
Nonrecurring item 4		
Nonrecurring item 5		
Nonrecurring item 6		
Nonrecurring item 7		

III-11.	Classification of identified nonrecurring items (charges and gains) in the accounting books and
	<u>records of the company</u> If non-recurring items were reported in question III-10 above, please
	identify where your company recorded these items in your accounting books and records in the
	normal course of business; i.e., just as responses to question III-10 identify where these items
	are reported in question III-9a.

III-12. <u>Asset values</u>.--Report the <u>total</u> assets (i.e., both current and long-term assets) associated with the production, warehousing, and sale of quartz surface products. If your firm does not maintain some or all of the specific asset information necessary to calculate total assets for quartz surface products in the normal course of business, please estimate this information based upon a method (such as production, sales, or costs) that is consistent with relevant cost allocations in question III-9a. Provide data as of the end of your firm's three most recently completed fiscal years.

Note: Total assets should reflect <u>net assets</u> after any accumulated depreciation and allowances deducted.

Total assets should be <u>allocated to the subject products</u> if these assets are also related to other products. Please provide a <u>brief explanation if there are any substantial changes</u> in total asset value during the period; e.g., due to asset write-offs, revaluation, and major purchases.

Value (in \$1,000)				
	Fiscal years ended			
Item	2015	2016	2017	
Total assets (net) 1				
¹ Describe	•			

III-13. Capital expenditures and research and development expenses.--Report your firm's capital expenditures and research and development expenses for quartz surface products. Provide data for your firm's three most recently completed fiscal years.

Value (in \$1,000)				
	Fiscal years ended			
Item	2015	2016	2017	
Capital expenditures ¹				
Research and development expenses ²				

¹ Please describe the nature, focus, and significance of your firm's capital expenditures on the subject product.

² Please describe the nature, focus, and significance of your firm's R&D expenses related to subject product.

III-14.	Data consistency and reconciliation Please indicate whether your firm's financial data for
	questions III-9a, 12, and 13 are based on a calendar year or on your firm's fiscal year:

Calendar year	Fiscal year	Specify fiscal year

Please note the quantities and values reported in question III-9a should reconcile with the data reported in question II-7 (including export shipments) as long as they are reported on the same calendar year basis.

<u>RECONCILIATION OF TRADE VS FINANCIAL DATA</u>.--Please ensure that the quantities and values reported for total shipments in part II equal the quantities and values reported for total net sales in part III of this questionnaire in each time period unless the financial data from part III are reported on a fiscal year basis. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0") and both are being reported on a calendar basis, please explain the discrepancy below.

	Fiscal years ended			
Reconciliation	2015	2016	2017	
Quantity: Trade data from question II-6 (lines D, F, H, and J) less financial total net sales quantity data from question III-9a, = zero ("0").	0	0	0	
Value: Trade data from question II-6 (lines E, G, I, and K) less financial total net sales value data from question III-9a, = zero ("0").	0	0	0	

Do these data in question III-9a reconcile with data in question II-7?

Yes	No	If no, please explain.

No	Yes		
		If yes, my firm has experienced a	ctual negative effects as follows.
	(chec	ck as many as appropriate)	(please describe)
		Cancellation, postponement, or rejection of expansion projects	
		Denial or rejection of investment proposal	
		Reduction in the size of capital investments	
		Return on specific investments negatively impacted	
		Other	

III-16.	Effects of imports on growth and developmentSince January 1, 2015, has your firm
	experienced any actual negative effects on its growth, ability to raise capital, or existing
	development and production efforts (including efforts to develop a derivative or more advanced
	version of the product) as a result of imports of quartz surface products from China?

No	Yes			
		If yes, my firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows.		
	(chec	k as many as appropriate)	(please describe)	
		Rejection of bank loans		
		Lowering of credit rating		
		Problem related to the issue of stocks or bonds		
		Ability to service debt		
		Other		

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III-17.	Anticipated effects of imports Does your firm anticipate any negative effects due to imports of	of
	quartz surface products from China?	

No	Yes	If yes, my firm anticipates negative effects as follows:

III-18.	Other explanationsIf your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part III that did not provide a narrative box, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below. Please also use this space to highlight any issues your firm had in providing the data in this section, including but not limited to technical issues with the MS Word questionnaire.

PART IV.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Jon Ruder (202-205-3435, jonathan.ruder@usitc.gov).

IV-1. <u>Contact information</u>.--Please identify the individual that Commission staff may contact regarding the confidential information submitted in part IV.

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	

PRICE DATA

- IV-2. This question requests quarterly quantity and value data for your firm's commercial shipments to unrelated U.S. customers since January 1, 2015 of the following products produced by your firm.
 - <u>Product 1.--</u>White quartz surface products in slab form with a nominal thickness of 2 centimeters ("cm") without veining or movement and sold to distributors.
 - **Product 2.--**White quartz surface products in slab form with a nominal thickness of 3 cm with no veining or movement and sold to distributors.
 - <u>Product 3.</u>—White quartz surface products in slab form with a nominal thickness of 2 centimeters ("cm") without veining or movement and sold to firms other than distributors.
 - **<u>Product 4.--</u>**White quartz surface products in slab form with a nominal thickness of 3 cm with no veining or movement and sold to firms other than distributors.

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).

IV-2 (a). During January 2015-December 2017, did your firm produce and sell to unrelated U.S. customers 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 IV-3.

IV-2(b). Price data.--Report below the quarterly price data for pricing products produced and sold by your firm.

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

		(Qua	antity <i>in square f</i>	eet, value in	dollars)			
	Product 1		Product 2		Product 3		Product 4	
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2015:								
January-March								
April-June								
July-September								
October-December								
2016:			1					
January-March								
April-June								
July-September								
October-December								
2017:								
January-March								
April-June								
July-September								
October-December								
¹ Net values (i.e., gross	s sales values les	s all discount	s, allowances, rel	oates, prepaid	d freight, and the	value of retu	rned goods), f.o	.b. your
firm's U.S. point of shipmer								
² Pricing product defin	itions are provid	ded on the firs	st page of Part IV	•				
Note -If your firm's product of your firm's product. Also						he specified p	roduct, provide	a descripti

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

Product 1:
Product 2:
Product 3:
Product 4:

IV-2 (c). Price	e data checklistPlease check that the pricing data in c	juestion IV-2(b) has been correctly
repor	rted.	

Is the price data reported above:	√ if Yes
In actual dollars (<i>not</i> \$1,000)?	
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 question II-7 in each year?	

 -	ogyPlease describ pile your price data.	e the method an	d the kinds of do	ocuments/reco	ords

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.

IV-3.	Price settingHow does your firm determine the prices that it charges for sales of quartz
	surface products (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

IV-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

IV-5. Pricing terms.--

(a) What are your firm's typical sales terms for its U.S.-produced quartz surface products?

Net 30 days	Net 60 days	2/10 net 30 days	Other	Other (specify)

(b) On what basis are your firm's prices of domestic quartz surface products usually quoted *(check one)*?

Delivered	F.o.b.	If f.o.b., specify point

IV-6. <u>Contract versus spot.</u>--Approximately what share of your firm's sales of its U.S.-produced quartz surface products in 2017 was on a (1) long-term contract basis, (2) annual contract basis, (3) short-term contract basis, and (4) spot sales basis?

ltem	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)	Total (shoul sum to 100.0%	d o
Share of 2017 sales	%	%	%	%	0.0	%

IV-7. <u>Contract provisions.</u>--Please fill out the table regarding your firm's typical sales contracts for U.S.-produced quartz surface products (or check "not applicable" if your firm does not sell on a long-term, short-term and/or annual 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			
aa, o. pee	Both			
Meet or release	Yes			
provision	No			
Not applicab	le			

IV-8. <u>Lead times.</u>--What is your firm's share of sales 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 its U.S.-produced quartz surface products?

Source	Share of 2017 sales	Lead time (Average number of days)
From inventory	%	
Produced to order	%	
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %	

IV-9.	Shij	p	ping	information

(a)	What is the approximate percentage of the cost of U.Sproduced quartz surface products 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) Indicate the approximate percentage of your firm's sales of quartz surface products that are delivered the following distances from its production facility.

Distance from production facility	Share
Within 100 miles	%
101 to 1,000 miles	%
Over 1,000 miles	%
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %

IV-10. <u>Geographical shipments.</u>—In which U.S. geographic market area(s) has your firm sold its U.S.-produced quartz surface products since January 1, 2015 (check all that apply)?

Geographic area	√ if applicable
NortheastCT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, and VT.	
MidwestIL, 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.	

IV-11. <u>End uses.</u>--List the end uses of the quartz surface products that your firm manufactures. For each end-use product, what percentage of the <u>total cost</u> is accounted for by quartz surface products and other inputs?

	Share of total cost		
End use product	Quartz surface products	Total (should sum to 100.0% across)	
	%	%	0.0 %
	%	%	0.0 %
	%	%	0.0 %

IV-12.	Substitutes.—
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(a) **Specific substitutes**.--Are these specific products considered as substitutes for quartz surface products in the same end use(s)?

	Are t consid substitut mar	dered es in the	End use(s) in which this substitute is	Have changes in the price of this substitute affected the price for quartz surface products?		
Specific substitutes	No	Yes	used	No	Yes	Explanation
Cultured marble						
Solid surface products						
Natural marble						
Natural quartz						

	substituted for quartz surface products?					
	☐ No	YesPlease fill out	the ta	ble.		
End use in which this		Have changes in the price of this substitute affected the price for quartz surface products?				
	Other substitutes	substitute is used	No	Yes	Explanation	
1.						
2.						
3.						

(b) Other substitutes.--Can other products not already listed in part "a" of this question be

IV-13. <u>Demand trends.</u>--Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for quartz surface products has changed since January 1, 2015. Explain any trends and describe the principal factors that have affected these changes in demand.

Market	Overall increase	No change	Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explanation and factors
Within the United States					
Outside the United States					

IV-14. <u>Product changes.</u>—Have there been any significant changes in the product range, product mix, or marketing of quartz surface products since January 1, 2015?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe and quantify if possible.

IV-15. Conditions of competition

IV-16.

(a)	Is the quartz surface products market subject to business cycles (other than general
	economy-wide conditions) and/or other conditions of competition distinctive to quartz
	surface products? If yes, describe.

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Check all	that apply	<i>j</i> .	Please describe.		
	No		Skip to question IV-16.		
		usiness cycles (e.g. nal business)			
		ther distinctive ions of competition			
(b) If yes, have there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of competition for quartz surface products since January 1, 2015?					
No	Yes	If yes, describe.			
products s order entr	Supply constraintsHas your firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply quartz surface products since January 1, 2015 (examples include placing customers on allocation or "controlled proder 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 describ	e.		

IV-17. Raw materials.--How have quartz surface products raw material prices changed since January 1, 2015?

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 quartz surface products.

IV-18. Interchangeability.--

(a) Are quartz surface products 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	Other countries			
United States					
China					
For any country-pair producing quartz surface products that is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>never</i> interchangeable, identify the country-pair and explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use:					

(b) <u>Interchangeability by product type.</u>—Please compare the interchangeability of various products with quartz surface products and each other (*i.e.*, can they be used in the same end use applications)?

Please indicate A, F, S, N, or 0 in the table below:

- A = the products being compared are *always* interchangeable with each other in the same end uses
- 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 product-pair

Product-pair	Cultured marble	Solid surface products	Natural marble	Natural quartz
Quartz surface products				
Cultured marble				
Solid surface products				
Natural marble				

For any product comparison that is *always* or *frequently* interchangeable, identify the factors that make them *always* or *frequently* interchangeable in the same end use applications.

IV-19. Factors other than price.--Are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, etc.) between quartz surface products 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	Other countries		
United States				
China				
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 quartz surface products, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:				

IV-20. <u>Customer identification.</u>--List the names and contact information for your firm's 10 largest U.S. customers for quartz surface products since January 1, 2015. Indicate the share of the quantity of your firm's total shipments of quartz surface products that each of these customers accounted for in 2017.

Cu	stomer's name	Distributor, fabricator, or other end user	Contact person	Email	Telephone	City	State	Share of 2017 sales (%)
1								
2								
3								
4								
5								
6								
7								
8								
9								
10								

IV-21. Competition fr	om imports
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(a)	<u>Lost revenue</u> Since January 1, 2015: To avoid losing sales to competitors selling quartz
	surface products from China, did your firm:

Item	No	Yes
Reduce prices		
Roll back announced price increases		

(b) <u>Lost sales.</u>--Since January 1, 2015: Did your firm lose sales of quartz surface products to imports of this product from China?

No	Yes

(c) The submission of lost sales/lost revenue allegations is to be completed only by NON-PETITIONERS.

If your firm indicated "yes" to any of the above, your firm can provide the Commission with additional information by downloading and completing the lost sales/lost revenues worksheet at http://usitc.gov/trade_remedy/question.htm. Note that the Commission may contact the firms named to verify the allegations reported.

Is your firm submitting the lost sales/lost revenues worksheet?

No—Please explain.
Yes—Please complete the worksheet and submit via the Commission dropbox. https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/ . (PIN: QUARTZ)

IV-22. Other explanations.--If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part IV 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.

PART V.--COMPARABILITY

- V-1. Comparability of in-scope quartz surface products to select out-of-scope agglomerated stone products.-- For each of the following indicate whether in-scope quartz surface products and select out-of-scope agglomerated stone products are: fully comparable or the same, *i.e.*, have no differentiation between them; mostly comparable or similar; somewhat comparable or similar; never or not-at-all comparable or similar; or no familiarity with products.
 - F: fully comparable or the same, *i.e.*, have no differentiation between them;
 - M: mostly comparable or similar;
 - S: somewhat comparable or similar;
 - N: never or not-at-all comparable or similar; or
 - 0: no familiarity with products.
 - (a) <u>Physical Characteristics and End Uses</u>.--The differences and similarities in the physical characteristics and end uses.

Product-pair	Comparison	Please provide a narrative discussion for the comparability ratings you provided in terms of their physical characteristics and uses:
In-scope <u>quartz surface products</u> vs out-of-scope <u>cultured marble</u> <u>surface products</u>		
In-scope <u>quartz surface products</u> vs out-of-scope <u>solid surface products</u> (<u>e.g.</u> , <u>acrylic</u> , <u>other</u>)		

(b) Interchangeability.--The ability to substitute the products in the same application.

Product-pair	Comparison	Please provide a narrative discussion for the comparability ratings you provided in terms of their <u>interchangeability</u> :
In-scope <u>quartz surface products</u> vs out-of-scope <u>cultured marble</u> <u>surface products</u>		
In-scope <u>quartz surface products</u> vs out-of-scope <u>solid surface products</u> (e.g., acrylic, other)		

- V-1. <u>Comparability of in-scope quartz surface products to select out-of-scope agglomerated stone products.</u>--*Continued*
 - (c) <u>Manufacturing facilities, production processes, and production employees</u>.--Whether manufactured in the same facilities, from the same inputs, on the same machinery and equipment, and using the same employees.

Product-pair	Comparison	Please provide a narrative discussion for the comparability ratings you provided in terms of their manufacturing facilities, production processes, and production employees:
In-scope <u>quartz surface products</u> vs out-of-scope <u>cultured marble</u> <u>surface products</u>		
In-scope <u>quartz surface products</u> vs out-of-scope <u>solid surface products</u> (e.g., acrylic, other)		

(d) <u>Channels of distribution</u>.--Channels of distribution/market situation through which the products are sold (i.e., sold direct to end users, through wholesaler/distributors, etc.).

Product-pair	Comparison	Please provide a narrative discussion for the comparability ratings you provided in terms of their channels of distribution:
In-scope <u>quartz surface products</u> vs out-of-scope <u>cultured marble</u> <u>surface products</u>		
In-scope <i>quartz surface products</i> vs out-of-scope <i>solid surface products</i> (e.g., acrylic, other)		

- V-1. Comparability of in-scope quartz surface products to select out-of-scope agglomerated stone products.--Continued
 - (e) <u>Customer and producer perceptions</u>.--Perceptions as to the differences and/or similarities in the market (*e.g.*, sales/marketing practices).

Product-pair	Comparison	Please provide a narrative discussion for the comparability ratings you provided in terms of their customer and product perceptions:
In-scope <u>quartz surface products</u> vs out-of-scope <u>cultured marble</u> <u>surface products</u>		
In-scope <u>quartz surface products</u> vs out-of-scope <u>solid surface products</u> (e.g., acrylic, other)		

(f) **Price**.--Whether prices are comparable or differ between the products.

Product-pair	Comparison	Please provide a narrative discussion for the comparability ratings you provided in terms of their <i>price</i> :
In-scope <u>quartz surface products</u> vs out-of-scope <u>cultured marble</u> <u>surface products</u>		
In-scope <u>quartz surface products</u> vs out-of-scope <u>solid surface products</u> (e.g., acrylic, other)		

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

https://usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2018/quartz_surface_products_china/prelimin_arv.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:
 - o Web address: https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/
 - o **Enter Investigation**: Select "Quartz surface products from China" in the drop down menu
 - o Pin: QUARTZ
- E-mail.—E-mail the MS Word questionnaire to amanda.lawrence@usitc.gov; include a scanned copy of the signed certification page (page 1). Submitters are strongly encouraged to encrypt nonpublic documents that are electronically transmitted to the Commission to protect your sensitive information from unauthorized disclosure. The USITC secure drop-box system and the Electronic Document Information System (EDIS) use Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 140-2 cryptographic algorithms to encrypt data in transit. Submitting your nonpublic documents by a means that does not use these encryption algorithms (such as by email) may subject your firm's nonpublic information to unauthorized disclosure during transmission. If you choose a non-encrypted method of electronic transmission, the Commission warns you that the risk of such possible unauthorized disclosure is assumed by you and not by the Commission.

If your firm <u>does not </u>**produce 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.