### **U.S. IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE**

### **ALUMINUM WIRE AND CABLE FROM CHINA**

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by October 5, 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 countervailing and antidumping duty investigations concerning aluminum wire and cable ("AWC") from China (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-611 and 731-TA-1428 (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)).

Name of firm		
Address		
City	State	_ Zip Code
Website		
Has your firm imported	AWC (as defined on next page) from any co	untry at any time since January 1, 2015?
NO (Sign the	e certification below and promptly return only this	s page of the questionnaire to the Commission)
YES (Comple	te all parts of the questionnaire, and return the er	ntire questionnaire to the Commission)
following link: https	://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/. (PIN: WIRE)  CERTIFICATION	
nowledge and belief and underseans of this certification I also formation provided in this queste Commission on the same or so the undersigned, acknowledge foceeding or other proceedings or resonnel (a) for developing or reviews, and evaluations relating pendix 3; or (ii) by U.S. govern	stand that the information submitted is sub to grant consent for the Commission, and stionnaire and throughout this proceeding is milar merchandise.  If that information submitted in response to may be disclosed to and used: (i) by the Conaintaining the records of this or a related ing to the programs, personnel, and opera	innaire is complete and correct to the best of my oject to audit and verification by the Commission. By its employees and contract personnel, to use the in any other import-injury proceedings conducted by to this request for information and throughout this commission, its employees and Offices, and contract proceeding, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, ations of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C. olely for cybersecurity purposes. I understand that all
ame of Authorized Official	Title of Authorized Official	Date
gnature	Phone	Email address

#### PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

**Background.**--This proceeding was instituted in response to petitions filed on September 21, 2018, by Encore Wire Corporation, McKinney, Texas, and Southwire Company, LLC, Carrollton, Georgia. 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/701731/2018/aluminum\_wire\_and\_cable\_china/preliminary.htm.

Aluminum wire and cable (AWC) covered by these investigations is an assembly of one or more electrical conductors made from 8000 Series Aluminum Alloys,¹ Aluminum Alloy 1350,² and/or Aluminum Alloy 6201,³ provided that: (1) at least one of the electrical conductors is insulated; (2) each insulated electrical conductor has a voltage rating greater than 80 volts and not exceeding 1000 volts; and (3) at least one electrical conductor is stranded and has a size not less than 16.5 kcmil and not greater than 1000 kcmil. The assembly may or may not: (1) include a grounding or neutral conductor; (2) be clad with aluminum, steel, or other base metal; or (3) include a steel support center wire, one or more connectors, a tape shield, a jacket or other covering, and/or filler materials. Most AWC products conform to National Electrical Code ("NEC") types THHN, THWN, THWN-2, XHHW-2, USE, USE-2, RHH, RHW, or RHW-2, and also conform to Underwriters Laboratories ("UL") standards UL-44, UL-83, UL-758, UL-854, UL-1063, UL-1277, UL-1569, UL-1581, or UL-4703, but such conformity is not required for the merchandise to be included within the scope.

The scope specifically excludes conductors that are included in equipment already assembled at the time of importation. Also excluded are aluminum wire and cable products in lengths less than six feet.

AWC is currently imported under statistical reporting number 8544.49.9000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). It may also be imported under HTSUS statistical reporting number 8544.42.9090. The HTSUS provisions are for convenience and customs purposes; 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 AWC (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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 8000 Series Aluminum Alloys is defined in accordance with American Society for Testing and Materials ("ASTM") B800.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Aluminum Alloy 1350 is defined in accordance with ASTM B230/B230M or B609/B609M

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Aluminum Alloy 6201 is defined in accordance with ASTM B398/B398M

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.

<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 macroenabled MS Excel file available for download from the Commission's generic questionnaires webpage (<a href="https://www.usitc.gov/trade\_remedy/question.htm">https://www.usitc.gov/trade\_remedy/question.htm</a>) 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. <u>OMB statistics</u>.--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.

facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.	

"Establishment"-- Each facility of a firm involved in the importation of AWC, including auxiliary

## U.S. Importers' Questionnaire - AWC Page 5 <u>Ownership</u>.--Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm? I-3. No Yes--List the following information Extent of ownership (percent) Firm name Address I-4. Related importers/exporters.--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in importing AWC from China into the United States or that are engaged in exporting AWC from China to the United States? No Yes--List the following information. Firm name Country Affiliation

No Yes-	List the following infor	mation.	
	<u> </u>		
Firm name	Country		Affiliation
	L		
		ure of your firm's importin	g operations on A
	may be applicable.		
More than one answer			
wore than one answer	Takes title to the	Consignee of the	Customs broke
Importer of record	Takes title to the imported product(s)	Consignee of the imported products(s)	Customs broke freight forward

I-8. <u>FTZ, TIB, or bonded warehouses</u>.--Please indicate whether your firm enters AWC into, or withdraws such merchandise from, foreign trade zones or bonded warehouses. Also indicate whether your firm imports AWC 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. Other trade actions.--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.

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### PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

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

II-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 II.				
	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 AWC since January 1, 2015.

(ched	ck as many as appropriate)	(If checked, please describe, <u>including the month and year</u> <u>of the event</u> ; 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)	

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II-3a.		<b>ged imports</b> Has your firm imported or arranged for the importation of AWC for delivery June 30, 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 t	If yes, fill out the table below.						
					eriod	Т				
	Sou	irce	Jul-Sept 2018	Oct-Dec 2018	Jan-Mar 2019	Apr-Jun 2019				
	Clair			Quantity ( <i>in po</i>	unds, gross weight)	1				
	China									
	Other sou	irces								
II-3b.	source be	tween Se			-Has your firm import ? (i.e., the last four mo	-				
	No	Yes								
			If yes, report the c	uantity of such ir	nports below by sour	ce.				
			Quantit	y (in pounds, gros	s weight)					
			Source		September 2017 thro	ugh August 2018				
	China									
	Other sou	ırces								
II-4.		ne reason		•	duces AWC in the Unitrm's reasons differ by	· •				

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

# China

		Calendar years	January-June		
ltem	2015	2016	2017	2017	2018
Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)					
Imports: <sup>1</sup> Quantity (B)					
Value (C)					
U.S. shipments:  Commercial shipments:  Quantity (D)					
Value (E)					
Internal consumption: <sup>2</sup> Quantity (F)					
Value² (G)					
Transfers to related firms: <sup>2</sup> Quantity (H)					
Value² (I)					
Export shipments: <sup>3</sup> Quantity (J)					
Value (K)					
End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L)					
<sup>1</sup> Please identify the foreign producer <sup>2</sup> Internal consumption and transfers basis for valuing these transactions in your the data provided above in this table should be a provided above in the should be a provided above.	to related firms nour records, pleas ould be based on	nust be valued at e specify that bas	sis (e.g., cost, cost	•	

#### 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			January-June		
Reconciliation	2015	2016	2017	2017	2018	
A + B - D - F - H - J -L = should equal						
zero ("0") or provide an explanation.1	0	0	0	0	0	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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., <u>inclusive</u> of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) by channel of distribution.

## China

	Calendar years			January-June	
Item	2015	2016	2017	2017	2018
	Quantity (in pounds, gross weight)				
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 K and L) 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			January-June	
Reconciliation item	2015	2016	2017	2017	2018
M + N - D - F - H = zero ("0"), if not					
revise.	0	0	0	0	0

II-6a. <u>Imports from all other sources</u>.—Report your firm's imports and your firm's shipments and inventories of AWC imported from **all other sources** by your firm during the specified periods. .

# All other sources

Quantity (	in pounds, gros	ss weight), valu	ie (in actual doll	lars)	
	Calendar years			January-June	
Item	2015	2016	2017	2017	2018
Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A)					
Imports: <sup>1</sup> Quantity (B)					
Value (C)					
U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D)					
Value (E)					
Internal consumption: <sup>2</sup> Quantity (F)					
Value² (G)					
Transfers to related firms: <sup>2</sup> Quantity (H)					
Value² (I)					
Export shipments: <sup>3</sup> Quantity (J)					
Value (K)					
End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L)					
<sup>1</sup> Please identify the foreign producers <sup>2</sup> Internal consumption and transfers to basis for valuing these transactions in you the data provided above in this table sho <sup>3</sup> Identify your firm's principal export n	o related firms nur records, pleas uld be based on	nust be valued at e specify that ba	sis (e.g., cost, cost		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Identify your firm's principal export markets: \_\_\_\_\_.

#### II-6a. 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			January-June	
Reconciliation	2015	2016	2017	2017	2018
A + B - D - F - H - J - L = should equal					
zero ("0") or provide an explanation.1	0	0	0	0	0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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: All other sources</u>.--Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., <u>inclusive</u> of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) by channel of distribution.

## All other sources

	Calendar years			January-June	
Item	2015	2016	2017	2017	2018
	Quantity (in pounds, gross weight)				
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 K and L) 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			January-June	
Reconciliation item	2015	2016	2017	2017	2018
M + N - D - F - H = zero ("0"), if not					
revise.	0	0	0	0	0

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II-7.	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.

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#### PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Amelia Preece (202-205-3250, Amelia.Preece@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. customers since January 1, 2015 of the following products your firm imported from China:

<u>Product 1.--</u> Type SE (Style R) cables containing three 600 volt conductors made of Aluminum Alloy 8000 Series, plus a neutral/ground wire, with American Wire Gauge (AWG) sizes of 4/0, 4/0, 4/0, and 2/0

<u>Product 2</u>.-- "Sweetbriar" underground distribution cables containing two 600 volt conductors made of Aluminum Alloy 1350 Series, plus a neutral/ground wire, with American Wire Gauge (AWG) sizes of 4/0, 4/0, and 2/0.

<u>Product 3.--</u> Type XHHW wires rated at 600 volts, with the conductor made of Aluminum Alloy 8000 Series, with a size of 500 kcmil.

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).

III-2a. During January 2015 - June 2018, did your firm import from China 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 as appropriate.
NoSkip to question III-3.

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

### China

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

	(Quanti	ty in pounds, gr	oss weight, value in	n dollars)		
Product 1		ıct 1	1 Product 2			ıct 3
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2015:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2016:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2017:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2018:						
January-March						
April-June						

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Net values (i.e., gross sales values less all discounts, allowances, rebates, prepaid freight, and the value of returned goods), f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of shipment.

**Note.**—If 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:

III-2c. <u>Product components.</u>-- Approximately what share of AWC's gross weight is (1) aluminum, and (2) all other components?

Percentage of AWC's gross weight	Share (Product 1)	Share (Product 2)	Share (Product 3)
Aluminum	%	%	%
All other components	%	%	%
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part IV.

III-2d.	Price data checklistPlease check that the pricing data in question III-2(a) has been correctly
reported	d.

	Is the price da	ta reported a	bove:			√ if Yes
	In actual do	llars ( <b>not</b> \$1,0	000)?			
	F.o.b. U.S. p	oint of shipm	nent (i.e.,	does not	include U.S. transport costs)?	
	Net of all di	scounts and r	ebates?			
	Have return	s credited to	the quar	ter in whi	ich the sale occurred?	
	Less than re	ported comm	nercial sh	ipments i	in part II in each year?	
ne prep rice da	paration of the p ata. The Commis	orice data, as sion may also	Commiss o request	sion staff that you	se keep all supporting documents/romay contact your firm regarding que company submit copies of the sup .) used to compile these data.	uestions on th
he prep rice da	paration of the paration of the paration of the paratic state of the par	orice data, as sion may also ch as sales jou How does you	Commiss o request urnal, inv	sion staff that your oices, etc	may contact your firm regarding qur company submit copies of the sup	uestions on th porting of AWC (check

III-4. <b>Discount policy</b> -Please indicate and describe your firm's discount policies (check of	all that apply).
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Quantity discounts	Annual total volume discounts	No discount policy	Other	Describe
aiscouries	aiscouries	policy	Othici	Describe

III-5. **Pricing terms.**-- On what basis are your firm's prices of imported AWC from China usually quoted *(check one)*?

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

III-6. <u>Contract versus spot.</u>--Approximately what share of your firm's sales of AWC imported from China in 2017 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 more than 12 months)	Annual contracts (multiple deliveries for 12 months)	Long-term contracts (multiple deliveries for less than 12 months)	<b>Spot sales</b> (for a single delivery)	Total (shoul sum t 100.09	ld o
Share of 2017 sales	%	%	%	%	0.0	%

III-7. <u>Contract provisions.</u>— Please fill out the table regarding your firm's typical sales contracts for AWC imported from China (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	ltem	Long-term contracts (multiple deliveries for less than 12 months)	Annual contracts (multiple deliveries for 12 months)	Short-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			
,. ,	Both			
Indexed to raw	Yes			
material costs <sup>1</sup>	No			
Not applicable				
<sup>1</sup> Please identify the in	dexes used:			

III-8. <u>Lead times.</u>—What is your firm's share of sales of AWC imported from China 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 AWC?

Source	Share of 2017 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.	Shippin	g inform	ation.—
• .	P P	o	

(a)	What is the approximate percentage of the cost of AWC imported from China 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 AWC imported from China, from where is it shipped?  Point of importation Storage facility (check one)
(d)	Indicate the approximate percentage of your firm's sales of AWC imported from China 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 AW
	imported from China since January 1, 2015 (check all that apply)?

Geographic area	China
Northeast.–CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, and VT.	
MidwestIL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, and WI.	
<b>Southeast</b> .—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.	
<b>Other</b> .—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 AWC that your firm imports. For each end-use product, what percentage of the <u>total cost</u> is accounted for by AWC and other inputs?

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

III-12.	<b>Substitutes</b> Can ot	ner products be substituted for AWC?	
	☐ No	YesPlease fill out the table.	

		End use in which this	На	anges in the price of this substitute affected the price for AWC?	
	Substitute	substitute is used	No	Yes	Explanation
1.					
2.					
3.					

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

the principal factors that have affected these changes in demand.									
Mar	ket	Overa increas		Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explanation and factors			
Within the U	Inited State	s 🗌							
Outside the U	Jnited State	s 🗌							
III-14.		_	ave there bee		ficant changes in t	the product range, product mix or			
	No Yes If yes, please describe.								
	<ul> <li>(a) Is the AWC market subject to business cycles (other than general economy-wide conditions) and/or other conditions of competition distinctive to AWC?</li> <li>Check all that apply.</li> </ul> Please describe.								
		No	'		question III-16.				
		Yes-Busine seasonal b	ess cycles (e. <sub>{</sub> ousiness)	g.					
	Yes-Other distinctive conditions of competition								
(b) If yes, have there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of competition for AWC since January 1, 2015?									
	No	Yes	If yes, des	cribe.					

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III-16. Impact of the section 301 investigation on firm and AWC market.—Are you familiar with the section 301 investigation and tariffs that have been proposed and implemented by the United States in response to Chinese trade practices?									
	No (skip par	ts a, b, and	d c)	Yes (co	mplet	e parts	a, b, and	d c)	
<ul> <li>(a) Did the announcement in March, 2018 and subsequent implementation of tariff remedies in the section 301 investigation have any discernible impact on your firm's AWC business and/or the market as a whole?</li> <li>No</li> <li>YesPlease specify.</li> </ul>									
Item Response									
Impact	Impact on firm <sup>1</sup>								
Impact	on overall marke	et <sup>2</sup>							
<ul> <li>Please identify the magnitude and timing of any effects, and compare your firm's operations before and after the announcement of the section 301 measures.</li> <li>Please identify the magnitude and timing of any effects, and compare the overall market before and after the announcement of the section 301 measures.</li> <li>(b) <u>Assessment of specific impacts of the section 301 investigation</u>Please indicate the impact that your firm has observed with regards to the announcement and subsequent</li> </ul>									
	implementa	tion of rer	nedies ir	the sectio		investi tuate	gation ar	nd tariff actions	
	Item	Increase	No change	Decrease	wit	h no trend	E	xplanation and	l factors
	all demand for C in the U.S. market								
	for AWC in the .S. market								
AWC o	Impact on your firm's AWC operations in the United States								
(c) Changes to forward looking outlook due to the section 301 investigationWhat impact did the announcement and subsequent implementation of tariff remedies related to the section 301 investigation have on your firm's forward-looking outlook?									
	Item		trongly orsened	Somev worse		No c	hange	Somewhat improved	Strongly improved
Firm's fo	orward looking					[			
Narrativ	Narrative explanation:								

,	(b) Did the tariffs o			_		April 2017 or the subsequent imposition of n March 2018 impact the raw material
	•					
	No (ski	p part b)	Ye	es (complete p	art b)	
			with the 23 um product	_	or the s	ubsequent imposition of tariffs on
III-19. <u>I</u>	Effect of 23	2 investig	ation of alu	uminum on ra	w materi	al prices
	Overall increase	No change	Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	•	, noting how raw material price changes fected your firm's selling prices for AWC.
III-18.	Raw mate	rialsHo	w have AW	C raw materia	l prices cl	nanged since January 1, 2015?
	No	Yes	If yes, plea	ase describe.		
	January 1, declining t	2015 (exa o accept r	amples inclunew custom	ude placing cu ners or renew	stomers of existing of	or been unable to supply AWC since on allocation or "controlled order entry," ustomers, delivering less than the lent commitments, etc.)?
III-17.						
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Announcement of the 232 investigation in

Imposition of tariffs on imported aluminum

products beginning in March 2018

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III-20. <u>Interchangeability.--</u>Is AWC 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 AWC that is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>never</i> interchangeable, identify the country-pair and								

For any country-pair producing AWC that is *sometimes* or *never* interchangeable, identify the country-pair and explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use:

III-21. <u>Factors other than price</u>.--Are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, *etc.*) between AWC 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 *always* or *frequently* are a significant factor in your firm's sales of AWC, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:

III-22. <u>Customer identification</u>.--List the names and contact information for your firm's 10 largest U.S. customers for AWC since January 1, 2015. Indicate the share of the quantity of your firm's total shipments of AWC that each of these customers accounted for in 2017.

Customer's name		Contact person	Email	Telephone	City	State	Share of 2017 sales (%)
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							
7							
8							
9							
10							

III-21.	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.

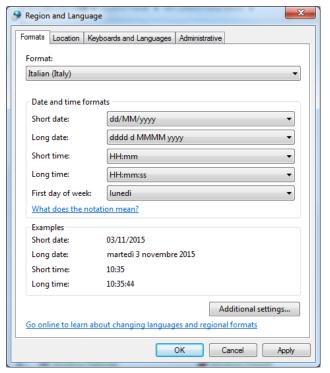
Correcting Valid number error messages.--If you are completing a Commission questionnaire in a country that uses periods (".") to delineate multiples of 1000 (e.g., one million would appear as \$1.000.000 instead of as \$1,000,000), you may be unable to enter in numbers greater than 999 in numeric form 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.

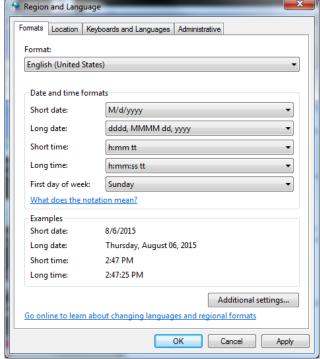
The solution to this data entry issue is to temporarily change your operating system's number formatting to be consistent with the U.S. number formatting system while you complete the questionnaire.

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.





# **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/701731/2018/aluminum\_wire\_and\_cable\_china/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: <a href="https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/">https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/</a> Pin: WIRE

• E-mail.—E-mail the MS Word questionnaire to <a href="Keysha.martinez@usitc.gov">Keysha.martinez@usitc.gov</a>; 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.