# U.S. PRODUCERS' QUESTIONNAIRE QUARTZ SURFACE PRODUCTS FROM INDIA AND TURKEY

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by May 22, 2019

See last page for filing instructions.

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its countervailing duty and antidumping investigations concerning quartz surface products from India and Turkey (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-624-625 and 731-TA-1450-1451 (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 produced quarts	z surface products¹ (as defined on next page) at	any time since January 1, 2016?
NO (Sign the certif	ication below and promptly return <b>only</b> this page o	of the questionnaire to the Commission)
YES (Complete all p	parts of the questionnaire, and return the entire qu	uestionnaire to the Commission)
Return questionnaire via tl https://dropbox.usitc.gov/d	he U.S. International Trade Commission <i>Dr</i> <u>pinv/</u> . (PIN: SURF)	rop Box by clicking on the following link:
	CERTIFICATION	
questionnaire and throughout this similar merchandise.  I, the undersigned, acknowledge to or other proceedings may be discondeveloping or maintaining the recordating to the programs, personne employees and contract personne nondisclosure agreements.	s proceeding in any other import-injury proce that information submitted in response to this i losed to and used: (i) by the Commission, its ords of this or a related proceeding, or (b) in i el, and operations of the Commission including el, solely for cybersecurity purposes. I unders	etract personnel, to use the information provided in this eedings conducted by the Commission on the same or request for information and throughout this proceeding employees and Offices, and contract personnel (a) for internal investigations, audits, reviews, and evaluations g under 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3; or (ii) by U.S. government than that all contract personnel will sign appropriate
Name of Authorized Official	Title of Authorized Official	Date
Signature	Phone	Email address

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For the purpose of the preliminary phase of these investigations, only an entity that produces engineered stone should fill out this questionnaire regardless of whether they sell their production in slab form or further fabricate these products themselves. Standalone fabricators, however, should not respond to this questionnaire, consistent with the Commission's finding in the related preliminary phase investigations on these products imported from China, in which the Commission found that "operations of stand-alone fabricators are insufficient to constitute domestic production of QSP." *Quartz Surface Products from China, Inv. Nos. 701-TA-606 and 731-TA-1015 (Preliminary)*, USITC Publication 4794, June 2018, p. 15.

#### PART I.--GENERAL INFORMATION

**Background.**--This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed on May 8, 2019, 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 dumping. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at

https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2019/quartz\_surface\_products\_india\_and\_turkey/preliminary.htm

**Quartz surface products** covered by these investigations consist of slabs and other surfaces created from a mixture of materials that includes predominately silica (*e.g.*, quartz, quartz powder, cristobalite, glass powder) 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 these investigations. However, the scope of these investigations only includes products where the silica content is greater than any other single material, by actual weight. Quartz surface products are typically sold as rectangular slabs with a total surface area of approximately 45 to 60 square feet and a nominal thickness of one, two, or three centimeters. However, the scope of these investigations includes surface products of all other sizes, thicknesses, and shapes. In addition to slabs, the scope of these investigations includes, but is not limited to, other surfaces such as countertops, backsplashes, vanity tops, bar tops, work tops, tabletops, flooring, wall facing, shower surrounds, fire place surrounds, mantels, and tiles. Certain quartz surface products are covered by these 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, packaged or unpackaged, and regardless of the type of surface finish.

In addition, quartz surface products are covered by these 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.

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

The scope of these investigations do not cover quarried stone surface products, such as granite, marble, soapstone, or quartzite. Specifically excluded from the scope of these investigations are crushed glass surface products. Crushed glass surface products must meet each of the following criteria to qualify for this exclusion: (1) the crushed glass content is greater than any other single material, by actual weight; (2) there are pieces of crushed glass visible across the surface of the product; (3) at least some of the individual pieces of crushed glass that are visible across the surface are larger than 1 centimeter wide as measured at their widest cross-section ("Glass Pieces"); and (4) the distance between any single Glass Piece and the closest separate Glass Piece does not exceed three inches.

The products subject to the scope are currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under the following subheading: 6810.99.0010. Subject merchandise may also

enter under subheadings 6810.11.0010, 6810.11.0070, 6810.19.1200, 6810.19.1400, 6810.19.5000, 6810.91.0000, 6810.99.0080, 6815.99.4070, 2506.10.0010, 2506.10.0050, 2506.20.0010, 2506.20.0080, and 7016.90.10. The HTSUS provisions are for convenience and customs purposes; 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 (<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-1a. <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 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.

I-1b.	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	No
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I-2. <u>Establishments covered</u>.--Provide the city, state, zip code, and brief description of each establishment covered by this questionnaire. If your firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol in the footnote to the table. Firms operating more than one establishment should combine the data for all establishments into a single report.

"<u>Establishment</u>"--Each facility of a firm involved in the <u>production</u> of quartz surface products, including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.

Establishments covered <sup>1</sup>	City, State	Zip (5 digit)	Description
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
<sup>1</sup> Additional discussion on establishments consolidated in this questionnaire:			

I-3.	Petitioner statusIs your firm a petitioner in this proceeding or a member firm of the
	petitioning entity?

No	Yes

I-4. **Petition support**.--Does your firm support or oppose the petition?

Country	Support	Oppose	Take no position
India (AD)			
India (CVD)			
Turkey (AD)			
Turkey (CVD)			

Firm name	Address	Extent of ownership (percent)
oreign, that are engag	portersDoes your firm have an ged in importing quartz surface p	oducts from India and Turkey in
oreign, that are engag Jnited States or that a he United States?		oducts from India and Turkey in

<u>Related producers</u> Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or for engaged in the production of quartz surface products?	
List the following information.	
Country	Affiliation
	ion of quartz surface products?List the following information.

# PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Julie Duffy (202-708-2579, julie.duffy@usitc.gov). Supply all data requested on a <u>calendar-year</u> basis.

II-1.	Contact informationPlease 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-2a. <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, 2016.

(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)	

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II-2b.	Anticipated changes in operations Does your firm anticipate any changes in the character of			
	its operations or organization (as noted above) relating to the production of quartz surface			
	products in the future?			

No	Yes	If yes, supply details as to the time, nature, and significance of such changes and provide underlying assumptions.

II-2c. Recent or future commencement of commercial operations.--Did your firm recently commence commercial operations related to the production of quartz surface products in the United States, or does it plan to in the near future?

date, indicate the pas operations, and provi		If yes—please describe the investments made in this facility to date, indicate the past or future start date for commercial operations, and provide the data on your projected capacity and production through 2021.

Quantity (in square feet)				
	Projections			
ltem	2019	2020	2021	
Projected capacity¹ (quantity)				
Projected production (quantity)				
Projected production (quantity)  1 Please explain the basis for your firm'	s projections.			

II-3.	Product shifting
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(i)	Is your firm able to switch production (capacity) between quartz surface products and other
	products using the same equipment and/or labor?

No	Yes	If yes—(i.e., have produced other products or are able to produce other products) Please identify other actual or potential products.

(ii)	Please describe the factors that affect your firm's ability to shift production capacity between products (e.g., time, cost, relative price change, etc.), and the degree to which these factors enhance or constrain such shifts.				

II-4. <u>Tolling</u>.--Since January 1, 2016, has your firm been involved in a toll agreement regarding the 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 returns to the first firm with a charge for processing costs, overhead, etc.

No	Yes	If yes Please describe the toll arrangement(s) and name the firm(s) involved.

II-5.	<b>Foreign</b>	trade	zones

(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 designated as such pursuant to the rules and procedures set forth in the Foreign-Trade Zones Act.

No	Yes	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>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. Commercial U.S. shipments should not include sales made through own firm's retail establishments.
  - "Internal consumption / including for own firm's retail sales"--Product consumed internally by your firm, which includes merchandise that your firm transferred to your own firm's retail locations. Such transactions are valued at fair market value (i.e., <u>not</u> the total value of final downstream processed merchandise (in the case of internal consumption), <u>nor</u> the retail sale value (in the case of your firm owning and operating its own retail locations); rather these transactions should be recorded at the fair market wholesale value of the merchandise used for further processing or for retail level sale).
  - "Transfers to related firms"--Shipments made to related firms. Such transactions are valued at fair market value.
  - "Related firm"--A firm that your firm solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled; a firm that solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled your firm; and/or a firm that was solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled by a firm that also solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled your firm.
  - "Export shipments"--Shipments to destinations outside the United States, including shipments to related firms.
  - "Inventories"--Finished goods inventory, not raw materials or work-in-progress.

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

### II-6. Production, shipment, and inventory data.--Continued

Quantity (in square feet) and value (in dollars)					
	Calendar years				
ltem	2016	2017	2018		
Average production capacity <sup>1</sup> (quantity) (A)					
Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (B)					
Production (quantity) (C)					
U.S. shipments:  Commercial shipments:  Quantity (D)					
Value (E)					
Internal consumption / including for own firm's retail sales: <sup>2</sup> Quantity (F)  Value <sup>2</sup> (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> The production capacity reported is based on operating hours per week, weeks per year. Please describe the methodology used to calculate production capacity, and explain any changes in reported capacity <sup>2</sup> Internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued at fair market value. If your firm uses a different basis for valuing these transactions in your records, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, etc.): However, the data provided above in this table should be based on fair market value. <sup>3</sup> Identify your firm's principal export markets:					

<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	2016	2017	2018
B + C - D - F - H - J - L = should equal			
zero ("0") or provide an explanation.1	0	0	0
<sup>1</sup> Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate:			

II-7. <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 (in square feet)				
	Calendar years			
Item	2016	2017	2018	
Channels of distribution: U.S. shipments: To distributors (M)				
To fabricators and retailers (N)				
To contractors and builders (O)				
To other end users <sup>1</sup> (P)				
<sup>1</sup> Please describe the other end users:	<sup>1</sup> Please describe the other end users:			

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

	Calendar years		
Reconciliation	2016	2017	2018
M + N + O + P - D - F - H = zero ("0"),	!Undefined		
if not revise.	Bookmark, N_0195	0	0

II-8. <u>Quartz attributes</u>.—Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) of quartz surface products in 2018 by specified attribute.

Quantity (in square feet), value (in dollars)				
	Thickness			
Item	1 cm	2 cm	3 cm	
Quartz attributes:				
U.S. shipments in 2018:				
Designed to look like granite				
Quantity (S)				
Value (T)				
Designed to look like marble <i>Quantity</i> (U)				
Value (V)				
Designed with uniform composite				
White:				
Quantity (W)				
Value (X)				
Neutral and light colors: Quantity (Y)				
,				
Value (Z)				
Dark colors and black: Quantity (AA)				
Value (AB)				
Crushed glass surface products not expressly excluded from the scope <sup>1</sup> Quantity (AC)				
Value (AD)				
Other products <sup>2</sup> <i>Quantity</i> (AE)				
Value (AF)				
U.S. shipments				
Quantity (AG)	0	0	0	
Value (AH)	0	0	0	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>These are products defined as part of quartz surface products (on page 2) produced with crush glass or glass powder, but which do qualify as excluded crush glass surface products based on the scope's four exclusion categories.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Please describe other designs: \_\_\_\_\_

# II-8. **Quartz attributes**.—Continued

<u>RECONCILIATION OF 2018 US SHIPMENTS BY ATTRIBUTES</u>.--Please ensure that the total quantities and values reported by attribute (i.e., lines S through AF) equal the quantity and value reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines D though I) in 2018. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

Reconciliation	2018
<b>Quantity:</b> S + U + W + Y + AA + AC + AE - D - F	
– H = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0
<b>Value:</b> $T + V + X + Z + AB + AD + AF - E - G - I$	
= zero ("0"), if not revise.	0

- II-9. <u>U.S. shipments by product type</u>.—Report quantity and value your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) by product type in the specified periods.
  - **"U.S. shipments shipped in slab form"--**are defined as quartz surface products that have not been fabricated or finished in any way (i.e. cutting to a specific size, edging, attaching to another product, or any other fabrication or finishing, etc.) slabs require further fabrication to be ready for installation.
  - **"U.S. shipments shipped in fabricated form"--**are defined as quartz products that have been fabricated or finished to any degree ((i.e. cutting to a specific size, edging, attaching to another product, or any other fabrication or finishing, etc.). Fabs may be ready for installation or may require some additional fabrication prior to installation.

	Calendar years		
ltem	2016	2017	2018
	Quantity (in square feet); value (in \$1,000)		
U.S. shipments shipped in slab form:  Quantity (AI)			
Value (AJ)			
U.S. shipments shipped in fabricated form:  Quantity (AK)			
Value (AL)			

<u>RECONCILIATION OF U.S. SHIPMENTS.</u>--Please ensure that the quantities and values reported for US shipments by product type here (i.e., lines AI through AL) in each time period equal the quantities and values reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines 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 year		
Item	2016	2017	2018
Quantity: AI + AK - D - F - H = zero			
("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0
<b>Value:</b> AJ + AL - E - G - I = zero ("0"),			
if not revise.	0	0	0

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	2016	2017	2018
Average number of PRWs (number)			
Hours worked by PRWs (hours)			
Wages paid to PRWs (dollars)			

Explanation of trends:		

II-11.	Related firmsIf your firm reported transfers to related firms in question II-7, please identify the firm(s) and indicate the nature of the relationship between your firm and the related firms (e.g., joint venture, wholly owned subsidiary), whether the transfers were priced at market value or by a non-market formula, whether your firm retained marketing rights to all transfers, and whether the related firms also processed inputs from sources other than your firm.					
II-12.	PurchasesHas your firm purchased quartz surface products produced in the United States or in other countries since January 1, 2016? (Do not include imports for which your firm was the importer of record. These should be reported in an importer questionnaire).  "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.					h your firm was the e).  th as another U.S.  roduct.  the importer of
	No	Yes	-	port such purchases irms' purchases.	in the table below and	l explain the reasons
	either for	your own	account or	as a service for anoth	or any purchases from ner entity, those purch ot be included in the ta	ases are to be
				(Quantity in square	feet)	
					Calendar years	
Item				2016	2017	2018
Purchases from U.S. importers¹ of quartz from— India			ters <sup>1</sup> of			
Turkey						
All other sources						
Purcha	ases from d	lomestic p	roducers <sup>2</sup>			
Purcha	ases from o	ther sour	ces <sup>2</sup>			
supplie	<sup>1</sup> Please list the name of the importer(s) from which your firm purchased this product. If your firm's import suppliers differ by source, please identify the source for each listed supplier: <sup>2</sup> Please list the name of the producer(s) or U.S. distributor(s) from which your firm purchased this product:					

II-13.	ImportsSince January	1 2016	has your firm	imported	quartz surface	nroducts?
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No	Yes	
		If yes <u>COMPLETE AND RETURN A U.S. IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE</u>

II-14.	Other explanationsIf your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part II for which a narrative box was not provided, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below. Please also use this space to highlight any issues your firm had in providing the data in this section, including but not limited to technical issues with					
	the MS Word questionnaire.					

# PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Address questions on this part of the questionnai	o Emily Kim (202-205-1800, emily.kim@usitc.go	v).
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Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	
Accounting sy	ystemBriefly 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 which financial statements are prepared that include quartz surface products
2.	Does your firm prepare profit/loss statements for quartz surface products?
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 comprehe basis of accounting (specify)
used i regard submi profit-	As requested in Part I of this questionnaire, please keep all supporting documents/red in the preparation of the financial data, as Commission staff may contact your firm ding questions on the financial data. The Commission may also request that your compt copies of the supporting documents/records (financial statements, including international statements for the division or product group that includes quartz surface proll as specific statements and worksheets) used to compile these data.
	ing systemBriefly describe your firm's cost accounting system (e.g., standard

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.

Products	Share of sales
Quartz surface products	%
	%
	%
	%
	%

III-6.	Inputs from related suppliersDoes your firm purchase inputs (raw materials, labor, energy, or
	any services) used in the production of quartz surface products from any related suppliers (e.g.,
	inclusive of transactions between related firms, divisions and/or other components within the
	same company)?

YesContinue to question III-7	NoContinue to question III-9a.

III-7. Inputs from related suppliers detailed.--Please identify the inputs used in the production of quartz surface products that your firm purchases from related suppliers and that are reflected in question III-9a. For "Share of total COGS" please report this information by relevant input on the basis of your most recently completed fiscal year. For "Input valuation" please describe the basis, as recorded in your company's own accounting system, of the purchase cost from the related supplier; e.g., the related supplier's actual cost, cost plus, negotiated transfer price to approximate fair market value.

Input	Related supplier	Share of total COGS		
Input valuation as recorded in the firm's accounting books and records				

III-8. <u>Inputs purchased from related suppliers.</u>--Please confirm that the inputs purchased from related suppliers, as identified in III-7, were reported in III-9a (financial results on quartz surface products) in a manner consistent with your firm's accounting books and records.

Yes	No	If noIn the space below, please report the valuation basis of inputs purchased from related suppliers as reported in question III-9a.

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, and for the specified interim periods. 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.

	Fiscal years ended		
Item	2016	2017	2018
Net sales quantities: <sup>2</sup> Commercial sales ("CS")			
Internal consumption ("IC")			
Transfers to related firms ("Transfers")			
Total net sales quantities	0	0	0
Net sales values: <sup>2</sup> Commercial sales			
Internal consumption			
Transfers to related firms			
Total net sales values	0	0	0
Cost of goods sold (COGS): <sup>3</sup> 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			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.

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

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III-9b.	<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-9c. Raw materials.--Please report the share of total raw material costs in 2018 (reported in III-9a) for the following raw material inputs:

Input	Share of total raw material costs (percent)
Silica (e.g. quartz, quartz powder, cristobalite, glass powder)	
Resin binder (e.g., an unsaturated polyester)	
Pigments, cement, or other additives	
Other material inputs <sup>1</sup>	
Total (should sum to 100 percent)	0.0
1 Dlagge indicate any other notable "other" raw materials not every	solvidantified above and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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-10. Nonrecurring items (charges and gains) included in the subject product financial results.--For each annual and interim period 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 dollars*), 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.

	Fiscal years ended		
	2016	2017	2018
Item		Value (dollars)	
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 ( <i>in</i>	dollars)	
	Fiscal years ended		
Item	2016	2017	2018
Total assets (net) 1			
<sup>1</sup> Describe	•		

III-13. <u>Capital expenditures and research and development expenses</u>.--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, and for the specified interim periods.

Value (in dollars)			
	Fiscal years ended		
Item	2016	2017	2018
Capital expenditures <sup>1</sup>			
Research and development expenses <sup>2</sup>			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please describe the nature, focus, and significance of your firm's capital expenditures on the subject product.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Please describe the nature, focus, and significance of your firm's R&D expenses related to subject product.

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III-14.	Data consistency and reconciliation Please indicate whether your firm's financial data for
	guestions 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, in which case only the interim periods must reconcile. 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	2016	2017	2018		
<b>Quantity:</b> 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-6?

Yes	No	If no, please explain.

If your responses to any of the items in questions III-15, III-16, and III-17 differ by country, please describe these differences and, as applicable, indicate which country or countries your response refers to in the relevant form fields.

III-15. <u>Effects of imports on investment</u>.--Since January 1, 2016, has your firm experienced any actual negative effects on its return on investment or the scale of capital investments as a result of imports of quartz surface products from India and Turkey?

No	Yes				
		If yes, my firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows.			
(checi	k as many	y as appropriate)	(please describe)		
	1 -	nement, or n of expansion			
		or rejection of ent proposal			
	Reduction in the size of capital investments				
	Return on specific investments negatively impacted				
	Other				

III-16. <u>Effects of imports on growth and development</u>.--Since January 1, 2016, 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 India and Turkey?

No	Yes		
		If yes, my firm ha	s experienced actual negative effects as follows.
(chec	k as man	y as appropriate)	(please describe)
	Rejection of bank loans		
	Lowerin	ng of credit rating	
		n related to the stocks or bonds	
	Ability to service debt		
	Other		

	No	Yes	If yes, my firm anticipates negative effects as follows.		
	quartz sur	face prod	ucts from India and Turkey?		
III-17.	Anticipated effects of imports Does your firm anticipate any negative effects due to imports of				

	for which	a narrative	If your firm would like to further exples box was not provided, please note the bace provided below. Please also use t	e question number and the
	•	n providin	the data in this section, including but	, , ,

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

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Aimee Larson (202-205-3179, <a href="mailto:aimee.larsen@usitc.gov">aimee.larsen@usitc.gov</a>).

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, 2016 of the following products produced by your firm.
  - <u>Product 1</u>.--Plain white quartz surface products in slab form, with a nominal thickness of 2 cm, no veining or movement, and with minimal to no visible particulates, specks, chips, or crystals that are sold to firms other than distributors.
  - <u>Product 2</u>.--Plain white quartz surface products in slab form, with a nominal thickness of 3 cm, no veining or movement, and with minimal to no visible particulates, specks, chips, or crystals that are sold to firms other than distributors.
  - <u>Product 3.</u>—White quartz surface products with a "marble look" in slab form, a nominal thickness of 2 cm, with veining or movement, and with minimal to no visible particulates, specks, chips, or crystals that are sold to firms other than distributors.
  - <u>Product 4.</u>--White quartz surface products with a "marble look" in slab form, a nominal thickness of 3 cm, with veining or movement, and with minimal to no visible particulates, specks, chips, or crystals that are sold to firms other than distributors.
  - <u>Product 5.</u>--Neutral colored quartz surface products with a "natural stone look" in slab form, a nominal thickness of 2 cm, with movement and visible particulates, specks, chips, or crystals that are sold to firms other than distributors.
  - <u>Product 6.</u>--Neutral colored quartz surface products with a "natural stone look" in slab form, a nominal thickness of 3 cm, with movement and visible particulates, specks, chips, or crystals that are 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-2a. During January 2016-December 2018, 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)?

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YesPlease complete the following pricing data table as appropriate.	
TesPlease complete the following pricing data table as appropriate.	
NoSkip to question IV-3.	
IV-2b. Price dataReport below the quarterly price data <sup>1</sup> for pricing products <sup>2</sup> produced and sold by your firm. Do not include data for slabs that your firm internally consumed, further fabricated prior to sale, or any sales that also involved total turnkey installation services.  Report data in square feet and actual dollars (not 1,000s).	
(Quantity in square feet, value in dollars)	
Product 1 Product 2 Product 3	
Period of shipment Quantity Value Quantity Value Quantity Value	
2016:	
January-March	
April-June	
July-September	
October-December	
2017:  January-March	
April-June	
July-September July-September	
October-December	
2018:	
January-March	
April-June April-June	
July-September	
October-December October-December	
<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part IV.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>	ption
Product 1:	
Product 2:	
Product 3:	

# IV-2b. **Price data.--**Continued.

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

(Quantity in square feet, value in dollars)  Product 4 Product 5 Product						ıct 6
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
2016:	-					
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2017:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2018:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						

<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.

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

Product 4: Product 5:

Product 6:

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

IV-2d.

IV-2c.	Price data checklistPlease check that the pricing data in question IV-2(b) has been correctly
	reported.

s the price data reported above:	√ if Yes
In actual dollars ( <i>not</i> dollars)?	
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?	

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

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IV-3.	<b>Price setting</b> How 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. <u>Discount policy</u>.--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.**--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 2018 was on a (1) short-term contract basis, (2) annual contract basis, (3) long-term contract basis, and (4) spot sales basis?

	Type of sale					
ltem	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)	<b>Spot sales</b> (for a single delivery)	Total (shoul sum to 100.0%	d o
Share of 2018 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 short-term, annual and/or long-term contract basis).

Typical sales contract provisions	Item	Short-term contracts (multiple deliveries for less than 12 months)	Annual contracts (multiple deliveries for 12 months)	Long-term contracts (multiple deliveries for more than 12 months)
Average contract duration	No. of days		365	
Price renegotiation	Yes			
(during contract period)	No			
	Quantity			
Fixed quantity and/or price	Price			
,. ,	Both			
Indexed to raw	Yes			
material costs <sup>1</sup>	No			
Not applicable				
<sup>1</sup> Please identify the in	<sup>1</sup> Please identify the indexes used:			

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 2018 sales	Lead time (Average number of days)
From inventory	%	
Produced to order	%	
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %	

IV-9.	Shipping	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, 2016 (check all that apply)?

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

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	<b>Total</b> (should sum to 100.0% across)	
	%	%	0.0 %
	%	%	0.0 %
	%	%	0.0 %

IV-12.	Substitutes.—
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(b)

(a) <u>Specific substitutes</u>.--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		ite affec	es in the price of this ted the price for quartz ce products?
Specific substitutes	No	Yes	used	No	Yes	Explanation
Marble						
Granite						
Quartzite						

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

	☐ No	YesPlease fill out t	he ta	ble.	
		End use in which this			nanges in the price of this substitute the price for quartz surface products?
	Other substitutes	substitute is used	No	Yes	Explanation
1.					
2.					
3.					
5.					

substituted for quartz surface products?

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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, 2016. Explain any
	trends and describe the principal factors that have affected these changes in demand.

	trends and describe the principal factors that have affected these changes in demand.						
Mark	et	Overa increa		Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explanation and factors	
Within the Ur	nited States						
Outside the U	nited States						
					_	in the product range, product mix, 16?	
	Yes	If yes, please	describe a	nd quantify if	possible.		
17 13.	<ul> <li>IV-15. Conditions of competition</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>						
	Check all	that apply	1.	Pl	ease describe.		
		No		Sk	ip to question	IV-16.	
			isiness cycles nal business)	(e.g.			
	Yes-Other distinctive  conditions 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, 2016?							
	No	Yes	If yes, des	cribe.		_	

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IV-16.	<u>Supply constraints.</u> Has your firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply quartz surface
	products since January 1, 2016 (examples include placing customers on allocation or "controlled
	order entry," declining to accept new customers or renew existing customers, delivering less
	than the quantity promised, being unable to meet timely shipment commitments, etc.)?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe.

IV-17. <u>Raw materials</u>.--How have quartz surface products raw material prices changed since January 1, 2016?

Overall increase	No change	Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explain, noting how raw material price changes have affected your firm's selling prices for quartz surface products.

IV-18. <u>Interchangeability.--</u>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	India	Turkey	Other countries			
United States						
India						
Turkey						
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:						

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	India	Turkey	Other countries			
United States						
India						
Turkey						
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, 2016. Indicate the share of the quantity of your firm's total shipments of quartz surface products that each of these customers accounted for in 2018.

C	Customer's name	Contact person	Email	Telephone	City	State	Share of 2018 sales (%)
1							
2							
3							
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IV-21.	Com	petition	from	im	ports

(a)	<u>Lost revenue</u> Since January 1, 2016, to avoid losing sales to competitors selling quartz
	surface products from India and Turkey, did your firm:

Item	No	Yes
Reduce prices		
Roll back announced price increases		

(b) <u>Lost sales.</u>--Since January 1, 2016, did your firm lose sales of quartz surface products to imports of this product from India and Turkey?

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 <a href="http://usitc.gov/trade\_remedy/question.htm">http://usitc.gov/trade\_remedy/question.htm</a>. 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: SURF)

IV-22. Other explanations.--If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part IV for which a narrative response box was not provided, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below. Please also use this space to highlight any issues your firm had in providing the data in this section, including but not limited to technical issues with the MS Word questionnaire.

#### PART V.--ALTERNATIVE PRODUCT INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Julie Duffy (202-708-2579, julie.duffy@usitc.gov).

- V-1. <u>Comparability of types of quartz surface products.</u>--For each of the following indicate whether listed 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.

<u>Crushed glass quartz surface products</u>.--These are products defined as part of quartz surface products (on page 2) produced with crush glass or glass powder, but which do qualify as excluded crush glass surface products based on the scope's four exclusion categories.

(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>crushed glass quartz</u> <u>surface products</u> vs in-scope <u>all</u> <u>other quartz surface products</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>crushed glass quartz</u> <u>surface products</u> vs in-scope <u>all</u> <u>other quartz surface products</u>		

## V-1. Comparability of types of quartz surface products.--Continued

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.

(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>crushed glass quartz</u> <u>surface products</u> vs in-scope <u>all</u> <u>other quartz surface products</u>		

(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>crushed glass quartz</u> <u>surface products</u> vs in-scope <u>all</u> <u>other quartz surface products</u>		

## V-1. Comparability of types of quartz glass surface products.--Continued

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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.

(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>crushed glass quartz</u> <u>surface products</u> vs in-scope <u>all</u> <u>other quartz surface products</u>		

(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 <u>price</u> :
In-scope <u>crushed glass quartz</u> <u>surface products</u> vs in-scope <u>all</u> <u>other quartz surface products</u>		

# **HOW TO FILE YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE**

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

https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2019/quartz\_surface\_products\_india\_an\_d\_turkey/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: SURF

• E-mail.—E-mail the MS Word questionnaire to julie.duffy@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.