

## U.S. PRODUCERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

### STEEL WHEELS FROM CHINA

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by **April 10, 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 duty and antidumping duty investigations concerning steel wheels from China (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-602 and 731-TA-1412 (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 steel wheels (as defined on next page) at any time since January 1, 2015?	
<input type="checkbox"/> NO	(Sign the certification below and promptly return <b>only</b> this page of the questionnaire to the Commission)
<input type="checkbox"/> YES	(Complete all parts of the questionnaire, and return the entire questionnaire to the Commission)
<b>Return questionnaire via the U.S. International Trade Commission Drop Box by clicking on the following link:</b> <a href="https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/">https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/</a> . (PIN: <b>WHEEL</b> )	

#### CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information herein supplied in response to this questionnaire is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and understand that the information submitted is subject to audit and verification by the Commission. By means of this certification I also grant consent for the Commission, and its employees and contract personnel, to use the information provided in this questionnaire and throughout this proceeding in any other import-injury proceedings conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that information submitted in response to this request for information and throughout this proceeding or other proceedings may be disclosed to and used: (i) by the Commission, its employees and Offices, and contract personnel (a) for developing or maintaining the records of this or a related proceeding, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, reviews, and evaluations relating to the programs, personnel, and operations of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3; or (ii) by U.S. government employees and contract personnel, solely for cybersecurity purposes. I understand that all contract personnel will sign appropriate nondisclosure agreements

Name of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

Date

Signature

Phone:

Email address

**PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Background**--This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed on March 27, 2018, by Accuride Corporation, Evansville, Indiana, and Maxion Wheels Akron LLC, Akron, Ohio. Countervailing and/or antidumping duties may be assessed on the subject imports as a result of these proceedings if the Commission makes an affirmative determination of injury, threat, or material retardation, and if the U.S. Department of Commerce ("Commerce") makes an affirmative determination of subsidization and/or dumping. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at [https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2018/steel\\_wheels\\_china/preliminary.htm](https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2018/steel_wheels_china/preliminary.htm).

**Steel wheels** covered by these investigations are certain on-the-road steel wheels for use with tubeless tires with a wheel diameter of 22.5 inches and 24.5 inches. Certain on-the-road wheels with a wheel diameter of 22.5 inches and 24.5 inches are generally designed, manufactured, and offered for sale for use on road and highway surfaces by Class 6, 7, and 8 commercial vehicles, including tractors, semi-trailers, dump trucks, garbage trucks, concrete mixers, and buses, and are the current standard wheel diameters for such applications. The standard widths of certain steel wheels are 7.5 inches, 8.25 inches, and 9.0 inches, but all certain steel wheels, regardless of width, are covered by the scope. While 22.5 inches and 24.5 inches are standard wheel sizes used by Class 6, 7, and 8 commercial trucks, their trailers, buses, and other commercial vehicles, and have been for several decades, these petitions are intended to cover new sizes that may be adopted for use on Class 6, 7, and 8 commercial vehicles.

The scope includes "hub-piloted" steel wheels and "stud-piloted" steel wheels and includes rims and discs for such wheels, whether imported as an assembly or separately. The scope includes wheels, discs, and rims, of carbon and/or alloy composition, whether cladded or not cladded, whether finished or not finished, and whether coated or uncoated. All on-the-road wheels sold in the United States are subject to the requirements of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and bear markings, such as the "DOT" symbol, indicating compliance with applicable motor vehicle standards. The scope includes steel wheels imported with and without the required markings, which may be added after importation. Steel wheels imported as an assembly with a tire mounted on the wheel or with a valve stem attached are included. However, if the steel wheels are imported as an assembly with a tire mounted on the wheel or with a valve stem attached, the tire or valve stem is not covered by the scope.

Excluded from the scope are steel wheels for use with tube-type tires. Also excluded from the scope are wheels where steel represents less than fifty percent of the product by weight (e.g., aluminum wheels). Steel wheels manufactured and offered for sale primarily for off-highway or off-the-road use are also excluded from the scope. Such wheels are not required to meet the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's requirements. Steel wheels that meet the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's requirements, but can be used off-road, are included in the scope.

Imports of the subject merchandise are provided for under the following categories of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS"): 8708.70.4530, 8708.70.4560, 8708.70.6030, 8708.70.6060, 8716.90.5045, and 8716.90.5059. Wheels meeting the scope description may also enter under the following HTSUS subheadings: 4011.20.1015, 4011.20.5020, and 8708.99.4850. While HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the subject merchandise 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.

**Confidentiality.**--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.

**Verification.**--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 steel wheels 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.

**D-GRIDS tool.**--The Commission has a tool that firms can use to move data from their own MS Excel compilation files into self-contained data tables within this MS Word questionnaire, thereby reducing the amount of cell-by-cell data entry that would be required to complete this form. This tool is a macro-enabled MS Excel file available for download from the Commission's generic questionnaires webpage ([https://www.usitc.gov/trade\\_remedy/question.htm](https://www.usitc.gov/trade_remedy/question.htm)) called the "D-GRIDs tool." Use of this tool to help your firm complete this questionnaire is *optional*. Firms opting to use the D-GRIDs tool to populate their data into this questionnaire will need the D-GRIDs specification sheet PDF file specific to this proceeding (available on the case page which is linked under the "Background" above) which includes the necessary references relating to this questionnaire, as well as the macro-enable MS Excel D-GRIDs tool itself from the generic questionnaires page. More detailed instructions on how to use the D-GRIDs tool are available within the D-GRIDs tool itself.

- I-1a. **OMB statistics.**--Please report below the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of completing this questionnaire.

Hours	Dollars

The questions in this questionnaire have been reviewed with market participants to ensure that issues of concern are adequately addressed and that data requests are sufficient, meaningful, and as limited as possible. Public reporting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average 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 release.**--In 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

- I-2. **Establishments covered.**--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.**

**"Establishment"**--Each facility of a firm involved in the production of steel wheels, including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.

<b>Establishments covered<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>City, State</b>	<b>Zip (5 digit)</b>	<b>Description</b>
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			

<sup>1</sup> Additional discussion on establishments consolidated in this questionnaire: \_\_\_\_\_.

- I-3. **Petition support.**--Does your firm support or oppose the petition?

<b>Country</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Take no position</b>
China - AD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
China - CVD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- I-4. **Ownership.**--Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm?

No       Yes--List the following information.

<b>Firm name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Extent of ownership (percent)</b>

- I-5. **Related importers/exporters.**--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in importing steel wheels from China into the United States or that are engaged in exporting steel wheels from China to the United States?

No       Yes--List the following information.

Firm name	Country	Affiliation

- I-6. **Related producers.**--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in the production of steel wheels?

No       Yes--List the following information.

Firm name	Country	Affiliation

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

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Jordan Harriman (202-205-2610, [jordan.harriman@usitc.gov](mailto:jordan.harriman@usitc.gov)). Supply all data requested on a calendar-year basis.

- II-1. **Contact information.**--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. **Changes in operations.**--Please indicate whether your firm has experienced any of the following changes in relation to the production of steel wheels since January 1, 2015.

<i>(check as many as appropriate)</i>		<i>(If checked, please describe; leave blank if not applicable)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	plant openings	
<input type="checkbox"/>	plant closings	
<input type="checkbox"/>	relocations	
<input type="checkbox"/>	expansions	
<input type="checkbox"/>	acquisitions	
<input type="checkbox"/>	consolidations	
<input type="checkbox"/>	prolonged shutdowns or production curtailments	
<input type="checkbox"/>	revised labor agreements	
<input type="checkbox"/>	other (e.g., technology)	



- II-3c. **Alternative production: steel wheels for light and medium class vehicles.**--Did your firm produce steel wheels for light and medium class vehicles in 2017 at any U.S. facility, (i.e. not limited to facilities that produce in-scope steel wheels)?

***"Steel wheels for light and medium class vehicles"*** – Steel wheels used on Class 1 through 5 vehicles (by gross vehicle weight rating).

No	Yes	If yes-- Complete the table below. (U.S. shipments are inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Quantity ( <i>in actual number of wheels</i> ) and value ( <i>in \$1,000</i> )	
Item	Calendar year
	2017
<b>Production (quantity)</b>	
<b>U.S. shipments:</b> <i>Quantity</i>	
<i>Value</i>	

II-3d. **Alternative production: aluminum wheels.**--Did your firm produce aluminum wheels in 2017 at any U.S. facility, (i.e. not limited to facilities that produce in-scope steel wheels)?

**"Heavy duty aluminum wheels"** – Wheels where the primary material in their manufacture is aluminum (steel represents less than fifty percent of the product by weight) for use on class 6, 7, or 8 vehicles.

**"Light and medium duty aluminum wheels"** – Wheels where the primary material in their manufacture is aluminum (steel represents less than fifty percent of the product by weight) for use on class 1 to 5 vehicles.

No	Yes	If yes-- Complete the table(s) below. (U.S. shipments are inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Quantity ( <i>in actual number of wheels</i> ) and value ( <i>in \$1,000</i> )	
Item	Calendar year
	2017
<b>Heavy duty aluminum wheels:</b> <b>Production (quantity)</b>	
<b>U.S. shipments:</b> <b>Quantity</b>	
<b>Value</b>	

Quantity ( <i>in actual number of wheels</i> ) and value ( <i>in \$1,000</i> )	
Item	Calendar year
	2017
<b>Light and medium duty aluminum wheels:</b> <b>Production (quantity)</b>	
<b>U.S. shipments:</b> <b>Quantity</b>	
<b>Value</b>	

II-4a. **Production using same machinery.**--Please report your firm's production of products made on the same equipment and machinery or using the same employees used to produce steel wheels, and the combined production capacity on this shared equipment and machinery or employees the periods indicated.

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

Note.--If your firm does not produce any out-of-scope merchandise on the same machinery and equipment or using the same employees as scope merchandise (i.e., you have reported no data for the various out-of-scope products in this question) then the "overall production capacity" numbers reported in this question should be exactly equal to the "average production capacity" numbers reported in question II-8. If, however, your firm does produce out-of-scope merchandise using the same machinery and equipment as scope merchandise, then the "average production capacity" reported in question II-8 should exclude the portion of "overall production capacity" that was used to produce this out-of-scope merchandise (i.e., "average production capacity" in question II-8 should be smaller than "overall production capacity" in this question).

**"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.

Note.--Note out-of-scope production reported in this table should be limited to such production that is produced using the same equipment and machinery or using the same employees as in-scope steel wheels (unlike data in questions II-3a through II-3d which related to all U.S. production regardless of whether the production used the same machinery and equipment or employees).

Item	Quantity (in actual number of wheels)		
	Calendar years		
	2015	2016	2017
<b>Overall production capacity</b>			
<b>Production of:</b> Steel wheels <sup>1</sup>	0	0	0
<b>Out of scope production:</b> Heavy duty steel wheels for use with tube-type tires			
Heavy duty non-standard size steel wheels for use with tubeless tires			
Steel wheels for light and medium class vehicles			
Aluminum wheels			
Other products <sup>2</sup>			
<b>Subtotal, out-of-scope</b>	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	0	0	0

<sup>1</sup> Data entered for production of steel wheels will populate here once reported in question II-8.  
<sup>2</sup> Please identify these products: \_\_\_\_\_.



II-6. **Foreign trade zones.**--

- (a) **Firm's FTZ operations.**--Does your firm produce steel wheels in and/or admit steel wheels into a foreign trade zone (FTZ)?

**"Foreign trade zone"** is a designated location in the United States where firms utilize special procedures that allow delayed or reduced customs duty payments on foreign merchandise. A foreign trade zone must be designed as such pursuant to the rules and procedures set forth in the Foreign-Trade Zones Act.

No	Yes	If yes-- Describe the nature of your firms operations in FTZs and identify the specific FTZ site(s).
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

No	Yes	If yes--Identify the firms and the FTZs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

II-7. **Importer.**--Since January 1, 2015, has your firm imported steel wheels?

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

No	Yes	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If yes-- <b><u>COMPLETE AND RETURN A U.S. IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE</u></b>

- II-8. **Production, shipment, and inventory data.**--Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of steel wheels 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 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-11. **Employment data**--Report your firm's employment-related data related to the production of steel wheels 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.

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

Explanation of trends:

- II-12. **Related firms**--If your firm reported transfers to related firms in question II-7, please 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-13. **Purchases**--Other than direct imports, has your firm otherwise purchased steel wheels since January 1, 2015?

**"Purchase"** – A transaction to buy product from a U.S. corporate entity such as another U.S. producer, a U.S. distributor, or a U.S. firm that has directly imported the product.

**"Import"** –A transaction to buy from a foreign supplier where your firm is the importer of record.

No	Yes	If yes-- Report such purchases below and explain the reasons for your firms' purchases:
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Item	(Quantity in actual number of wheels)		
	2015	2016	2017
<b>Purchases from U.S. importers<sup>1</sup> of steel wheels from—</b> China			
Canada			
Mexico			
All other sources			
<b>Purchases from domestic producers<sup>2</sup></b>			
<b>Purchases from other sources<sup>2</sup></b>			

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

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**PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Address questions on this part of the questionnaire to Charles Yost (202-205-3432, [charles.yost@usitc.gov](mailto:charles.yost@usitc.gov)).

- III-1. **Contact information.**--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	

- III-2. **Accounting system.**--Briefly 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:
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Note.--Please note that we are requesting that firms report their financial data on a calendar year basis.

- B.1. Describe the lowest level of operations (e.g., plant, division, company-wide) for which financial statements are prepared that include steel wheels:
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2. Does your firm prepare profit/loss statements for steel wheels:  
 Yes       No
3. How often did your firm (or parent company) prepare financial statements (including annual reports, 10Ks)? Please check relevant items below.  
 Audited,  unaudited,  annual reports,  10Ks,  10 Qs,  
 Monthly,  quarterly,  semi-annually,  annually
4. Accounting basis:  GAAP,  cash,  tax, or  other comprehensive basis of accounting (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
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*Note: As requested in Part I of this questionnaire, please keep all supporting documents/records used in the preparation of the financial data, as Commission staff may contact your firm regarding questions on the financial data. The Commission may also request that your company submit copies of the supporting documents/records (financial statements, including internal profit-and-loss statements for the division or product group that includes steel wheels, as well as specific statements and worksheets) used to compile these data.*

- III-3. **Cost accounting system.**--Briefly describe your firm's cost accounting system (e.g., standard cost, job order cost, etc.).
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- III-4. **Allocation basis.**--Briefly describe your firm's allocation basis, if any, for COGS, SG&A, and interest expense and other income and expenses.

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

Products	Share of sales
Steel wheels	%
	%
	%
	%
	%

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

<b>Yes--Continue to question III-7</b>	<b>No--Continue to question III-9a.</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- III-7. **Inputs from related suppliers detailed.**--Please identify the inputs used in the production of steel wheels 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.

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

- III-8. **Inputs purchased from related suppliers.**--Please confirm that the inputs purchased from related suppliers, as identified in III-7, were reported in III-9a (financial results on steel wheels) in a manner consistent with your firm's accounting books and records.

<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>If yes-- In the space below, please report the valuation basis of inputs purchased from related suppliers as reported in question III-9a:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	



- III-9b. **Raw materials for steel wheels.**--Please indicate the share of total raw material costs reported in III-9a in 2017 for the following raw material inputs:

<b>Products</b>	<b>Share of total raw material costs (percent)</b>
Steel costs	%
Other material inputs <sup>1</sup>	%
Total (should sum to 100 percent)	0.0 %

<sup>1</sup> Please indicate any other notable "other" raw materials not expressly identified above (such as paint or coating materials) and provide the share of the total raw material costs that they account for:

- III-9c. **Financial data reconciliation.**--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?

<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	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 negative--instances 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.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- 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 \$1,000*), as reflected in question III-9a; i.e., if an aggregate nonrecurring item has been allocated to question III-9a, only the allocated value amount included in question III-9a should be reported in the schedule below. Note: The Commission's objective here is to gather information only on material (significant) nonrecurring items which impacted the reported financial results of the subject product in question III-9a.

	<b>Calendar years--</b>		
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
<b>Nonrecurring item:</b> In this column please provide a brief description of each nonrecurring item and indicate the specific line item in table III-9a where the nonrecurring item is classified.	<b>Nonrecurring item:</b> In these columns please report the amount of the relevant nonrecurring item reported in question III-9a.		
	<b>Value (\$1,000)</b>		
1. , classified as			
2. , classified as			
3. , classified as			
4. , classified as			
5. , classified as			
6. , classified as			
7. , classified as			

- III-11. **Classification of identified nonrecurring items (charges and gains) in the accounting books and records of the company.**--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.

Identify:

Explanation:



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

Calendar year	Fiscal year	Specify fiscal year
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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.

**RECONCILIATION OF TRADE VS FINANCIAL DATA.**--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.

Reconciliation	Calendar years--		
	2015	2016	2017
<b>Quantity:</b> Trade data from question II-8 (lines D, F, H, and J) less financial total net sales quantity data from question III-9a, = zero ("0").	0	0	0
<b>Value:</b> Trade data from question II-8 (lines E, G, I, and K) less financial total net sales value data from question III-9a, = zero ("0").	0	0	0

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

Yes	No	If no, please explain.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-15. **Effects of imports on investment.**--Since January 1, 2015, 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 steel wheels from China?

No	Yes	If yes, my firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(check as many as appropriate)		(please describe)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cancellation, postponement, or rejection of expansion projects	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Denial or rejection of investment proposal	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reduction in the size of capital investments	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Return on specific investments negatively impacted	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	

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

No	Yes	If yes, my firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(check as many as appropriate)		(please describe)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rejection of bank loans	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lowering of credit rating	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Problem related to the issue of stocks or bonds	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ability to service debt	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	

- III-17. **Anticipated effects of imports.**--Does your firm anticipate any negative effects due to imports of steel wheels from China?

No	Yes	If yes, my firm anticipates negative effects as follows:
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

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

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Cindy Cohen (202-205-3230, [cindy.cohen@usitc.gov](mailto:cindy.cohen@usitc.gov)).

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

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	

**PRICE DATA**

- IV-2. This question requests quarterly quantity and value data for your firm's commercial shipments to unrelated U.S. customers since January 1, 2015 of the following products produced by your firm.

**Product 1.**--22.5 inches by 8.25 inches steel wheels, regardless of coating, weighing 60 to 75 lbs., inclusive, sold to OEMs.

**Product 2.**--22.5 inches by 8.25 inches steel wheels, regardless of coating, weighing 60 to 75 lbs., inclusive, sold to the aftermarket.

**Product 3.**--22.5 inches by 8.25 inches steel wheels, regardless of coating, weighing more than 75 lbs., sold to OEMs.

**Product 4.**--22.5 inches by 8.25 inches steel wheels, regardless of coating, weighing more than 75 lbs., sold to the aftermarket.

Note: Aftermarket includes aftermarket or replacement distributors, original equipment service ("OES") providers (both product distribution centers and dealer direct shipments), and other aftermarket firms.

**Please note that values should be f.o.b., U.S. point of shipment and should not include U.S.-inland transportation costs. Values should reflect the final net amount paid to your firm (i.e., should be net of all deductions for discounts or rebates).**

- IV-2 (a). During 2015-2017, did your firm produce and sell to unrelated U.S. customers any of the above listed products (or any products that were competitive with these products)?

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Yes.</b> --Please complete the following pricing data table as appropriate.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No.</b> --Skip to question IV-3.



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

Is the price data reported above:	V if Yes
In actual dollars ( <b>not</b> \$1,000)?	<input type="checkbox"/>
F.o.b. U.S. point of shipment (i.e., does not include U.S. transport costs)?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Net of all discounts and rebates?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have returns credited to the quarter in which the sale occurred?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Less than reported commercial shipments in question II-7 in each year?	<input type="checkbox"/>

IV-2 (d). **Pricing data methodology.**--Please describe the method and the kinds of documents/records that were used to compile your price data.

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





**IV-9. Shipping information--**

- (a) What is the approximate percentage of the cost of U.S.-produced steel wheels 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 steel wheels 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	%
<b>Total</b> (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %

**IV-10. Geographical shipments--In which U.S. geographic market area(s) has your firm sold its U.S.-produced steel wheels since January 1, 2015 (check all that apply)?**

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





IV-18. **Interchangeability.**--Are steel wheels 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 O 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

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

Country-pair	China	Canada	Mexico	Other countries
United States				
China	X			
Canada	X	X		
Mexico	X	X	X	
For any country-pair producing steel wheels 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 steel wheels 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	Canada	Mexico	Other countries
United States				
China	X X X X			
Canada	X X X X	X X X X		
Mexico	X X X X	X X X X	X X X X	
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 steel wheels, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:				

IV-20. **Customer identification.**--List the names and contact information for your firm's 10 largest U.S. customers for steel wheels since January 1, 2015. Indicate the share of the quantity of your firm's total shipments of steel wheels 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							

IV-21. Competition from imports

- (a) Lost revenue.--Since January 1, 2015: To avoid losing sales to competitors selling steel wheels from China, did your firm:

Item	No	Yes
Reduce prices	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Roll back announced price increases	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- (b) Lost sales.--Since January 1, 2015: Did your firm lose sales of steel wheels to imports of this product from China?

No	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

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

<input type="checkbox"/>	No—Please explain.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes—Please complete the worksheet and submit via the Commission dropbox. <a href="https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/">https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/</a> . (PIN: WHEEL)

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

**PART V.--ALTERNATIVE PRODUCT INFORMATION**

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Jordan Harriman (202-205-2610, [jordan.harriman@usitc.gov](mailto:jordan.harriman@usitc.gov)).

**In-scope steel wheels.**--As defined on page 2, steel wheels are on-the-road steel wheels for use with tubeless tires with a wheel diameter of 22.5 inches and 24.5 inches. Certain on-the-road wheels with a wheel diameter of 22.5 inches and 24.5 inches are generally designed, manufactured, and offered for sale for use on road and highway surfaces by Class 6, 7, and 8 commercial vehicles, including tractors, semi-trailers, dump trucks, garbage trucks, concrete mixers, and buses, and are the current standard wheel diameters for such applications. The standard widths of certain steel wheels are 7.5 inches, 8.25 inches, and 9.0 inches, but all certain steel wheels, regardless of width, are covered by the scope. While 22.5 inches and 24.5 inches are standard wheel sizes used by Class 6, 7, and 8 commercial trucks, their trailers, buses, and other commercial vehicles, and have been for several decades, these petitions are intended to cover new sizes that may be adopted for use on Class 6, 7, and 8 commercial vehicles.

The scope includes "hub-piloted" steel wheels and "stud-piloted" steel wheels and includes rims and discs for such wheels, whether imported as an assembly or separately. The scope includes wheels, discs, and rims, of carbon and/or alloy composition, whether cladded or not cladded, whether finished or not finished, and whether coated or uncoated. All on-the-road wheels sold in the United States are subject to the requirements of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and bear markings, such as the "DOT" symbol, indicating compliance with applicable motor vehicle standards. The scope includes steel wheels imported with and without the required markings, which may be added after importation. Steel wheels imported as an assembly with a tire mounted on the wheel or with a valve stem attached are included. However, if the steel wheels are imported as an assembly with a tire mounted on the wheel or with a valve stem attached, the tire or valve stem is not covered by the scope.

**"Heavy duty aluminum wheels"** – Wheels where the primary material in their manufacture is aluminum (steel represents less than fifty percent of the product by weight) for use on class 6, 7, or 8 vehicles.

**"Heavy duty steel wheels for tube-type tires"** – Wheels which are 20" to 24.5" in diameter and used on class 6, 7, and 8 vehicles (by gross vehicle weight rating), and which are used for tube-type tires.

Note.--The alternative product comparison question (i.e., V-1 below) is being asked in multiple questionnaire types (U.S. producers' and U.S. importers' questionnaires). If your firm is completing more than one of these questionnaire types in relation to this proceeding, please respond to the alternative product comparisons question in only **one questionnaire type**. In general, your firm should make these comparisons in the questionnaire type that is most relevant to your firm's role in the market.

- V-1. **Comparability of in-scope steel wheels to out-of-scope heavy duty aluminum wheels and out-of-scope heavy duty steel wheels for tube-type tires.**-- For each of the following indicate whether in-scope steel wheels and out-of-scope heavy duty aluminum wheels or heavy duty steel wheels for tube-type tires 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

O: no familiarity with products.

- (a) **Physical Characteristics and End Uses.**--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 <i>physical characteristics and uses</i> :
In-scope <u>steel wheels</u> vs out-of-scope <u>heavy duty aluminum wheels</u>		
In-scope <u>steel wheels</u> vs out-of-scope <u>heavy duty steel wheels for tube-type tires</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 <i>interchangeability</i> :
In-scope <u>steel wheels</u> vs out-of-scope <u>heavy duty aluminum wheels</u>		
In-scope <u>steel wheels</u> vs out-of-scope <u>heavy duty steel wheels for tube-type tires</u>		

V-1. **Comparability of in-scope steel wheels to out-of-scope heavy duty aluminum wheels and out-of-scope heavy duty steel wheels for tube-type tires.--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

O: no familiarity with products.

- (c) **Manufacturing facilities, production processes, and production employees**--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 <u>manufacturing facilities, production processes, and production employees</u> :
In-scope <b><u>steel wheels</u></b> vs out-of-scope <b><u>heavy duty aluminum wheels</u></b>		
In-scope <b><u>steel wheels</u></b> vs out-of-scope <b><u>heavy duty steel wheels for tube-type tires</u></b>		

- (d) **Channels of distribution**--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 <u>channels of distribution</u> :
In-scope <b><u>steel wheels</u></b> vs out-of-scope <b><u>heavy duty aluminum wheels</u></b>		
In-scope <b><u>steel wheels</u></b> vs out-of-scope <b><u>heavy duty steel wheels for tube-type tires</u></b>		

V-1. **Comparability of in-scope steel wheels to out-of-scope heavy duty aluminum wheels and out-of-scope heavy duty steel wheels for tube-type tires.--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

O: no familiarity with products.

- (e) **Customer and producer perceptions**.--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 <i>customer and product perceptions</i> :
In-scope <u>steel wheels</u> vs out-of-scope <u>heavy duty aluminum wheels</u>		
In-scope <u>steel wheels</u> vs out-of-scope <u>heavy duty steel wheels for tube-type tires</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>steel wheels</u> vs out-of-scope <u>heavy duty aluminum wheels</u>		
In-scope <u>steel wheels</u> vs out-of-scope <u>heavy duty steel wheels for tube-type tires</u>		

# HOW TO FILE YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE

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***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.

- **Upload via Secure Drop Box.**—Upload the MS Word questionnaire along with a scanned copy of the signed certification page (page 1) through the Commission’s secure upload facility:

***Web address:*** <https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/>      ***Pin:*** **WHEEL**

- **E-mail.**—E-mail the MS Word questionnaire to [jordan.harriman@usitc.gov](mailto:jordan.harriman@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 **does not produce this product**, please fill out page 1, print, sign, and submit a scanned copy to the Commission.

**Parties to this proceeding.**—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.