U.S. IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

CARBON AND ALLOY STEEL THREADED ROD

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by March 7, 2019 See last page for filing instructions.

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

| Name of f | Name of firm | | |
|-----------------------|---|--|--|
| | | | |
| City | State Zip Code | | |
| Website _ | | | |
| Has your fir 2016? | m imported threaded rod (as defined on next page) from <u>any country at any time</u> since January 1, | | |
| | (Sign the certification below and promptly return only this page of the questionnaire to the Commission) | | |
| YES | (Complete all parts of the questionnaire, and return the entire questionnaire to the Commission) | | |
| • | estionnaire via the U.S. International Trade Commission <i>Drop Box</i> by clicking on the link: <u>https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/</u> . (PIN: TROD) | | |

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

<u>Reporting of information</u>.--If information is not readily available from your records, provide carefully prepared estimates. If your firm is completing more than one questionnaire (i.e., a producer, importer, and/or purchaser questionnaire), you need not respond to duplicated questions.

<u>Confidentiality</u>.--The commercial and financial data furnished in response to this questionnaire that reveal the individual operations of your firm will be treated as confidential by the Commission to the extent that such data are not otherwise available to the public and will not be disclosed except as may be required by law (see 19 U.S.C. § 1677f). Such confidential information will not be published in a manner that will reveal the individual operations of your firm; however, general characterizations of numerical business proprietary information (such as discussion of trends) will be treated as confidential business information only at the request of the submitter for good cause shown.

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.

<u>Release of information</u>.--The information provided by your firm in response to this questionnaire, as well as any other business proprietary information submitted by your firm to the Commission in connection with this proceeding, may become subject to, and released under, the administrative protective order provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1677f) and section 207.7 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR § 207.7). This means that certain lawyers and other authorized individuals may temporarily be given access to the information for use in connection with this proceeding or other import-injury proceedings conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise; those individuals would be subject to severe penalties if the information were divulged to unauthorized individuals.

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

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

I-1. <u>OMB statistics</u>.--Please report below the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of completing this questionnaire.

| Hours | Dollars |
|-------|---------|
| | |

The questions in this questionnaire have been reviewed with market participants to ensure that issues of concern are adequately addressed and that data requests are sufficient, meaningful, and as limited as possible. Public reporting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average 40 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering data, and completing and reviewing the questionnaire.

We welcome comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate, suggestions for reducing the burden, and any suggestions for improving this questionnaire. Please attach such comments to your response or send to the Office of Investigations, USITC, 500 E St. SW, Washington, DC 20436.

I-2. <u>Establishments covered</u>.--Provide the name and address of establishment(s) covered by this questionnaire. If your firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol.

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

- I-3. **Ownership**.--Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm?
 - No Yes--List the following information

| Firm name | Address | Extent of ownership (percent) |
|-----------|---------|-------------------------------------|
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- I-4. **<u>Related importers/exporters</u>**.--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in importing threaded rod from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand into the United States or that are engaged in exporting threaded rod from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand to the United States?
 - No

Yes--List the following information.

| Firm name | Country | Affiliation |
|-----------|---------|-------------|
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I-5. **<u>Related producers</u>**.--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in the production of threaded rod?

No No

Yes--List the following information.

| Firm name | Country | Affiliation |
|-----------|---------|-------------|
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I-6. **Importing operations**.--Please indicate the nature of your firm's importing operations on threaded rod. More than one answer may be applicable.

| Importer of record | Takes title to the | Consignee of the | Customs broker or |
|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| | imported product(s) | imported products(s) | freight forwarder |
| | | | |

I-7. <u>**Consignee**</u>.--If your firm is an importer of record of threaded rod but is not the consignee, please list the consignees below (firm name, address, telephone number, and individual to contact).

| Firm name | Address | Contact person and phone number |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------------------|
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I-8. **<u>FTZ, TIB, or bonded warehouses</u>**.--Please indicate whether your firm enters threaded rod into, or withdraws such merchandise from, foreign trade zones or bonded warehouses. Also indicate whether your firm imports threaded rod under the TIB (temporary importation under bond) program.

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

"Bonded warehouse" is a secured facility supervised by U.S. customs, where dutiable landed imports are stored pending their re-export, or release after payment of import duties, taxes, and other charges. A bonded warehouse must be designed as such pursuant to the rules and procedures set forth in 19 U.S.C. § 1555.

"Temporary Importation under Bond ("TIB") program" is a procedure whereby imported merchandise may be entered under certain conditions for a limited time into the United States free of duty. Under the program, an importer posts a bond for twice the amount of duty, taxes, etc. that would otherwise be owed on the importation and agrees to export or destroy the merchandise within a specified time or pay liquidated damages. This program is restricted to certain categories of merchandise listed in subheadings 9813.00.05 through 9813.00.75 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS).

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

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

| No | Yes | If yes, Yes–Please specify. | |
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PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

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

II-1. <u>Contact information</u>.--Please identify the responsible individual and the manner by which Commission staff may contact that individual regarding the confidential information submitted in part II.

| Name | |
|-----------|--|
| Title | |
| Email | |
| Telephone | |

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

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

II-3a. <u>Arranged imports</u>.--Has your firm imported or arranged for the importation of threaded rod for delivery after December 31, 2018?

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

| No | Yes | |
|----|-----|-----------------------------------|
| | | If yes, fill out the table below. |

| | Period | | | | |
|-------------------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--|
| Source | Jan-Mar 2019 | Apr-Jun 2019 | Jul-Sept 2019 | Oct-Dec 2019 | |
| | Quantity (in 1,000 pounds) | | | | |
| China | | | | | |
| India | | | | | |
| Taiwan | | | | | |
| Thailand | | | | | |
| All other sources | | | | | |

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

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

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

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

Definitions

"Imports" –Those products identified for Customs purposes as imports for consumption for which your firm was the importer of record (i.e., was responsible for paying any import duty) or consignee (i.e., to which the merchandise was first delivered).

"Import quantities" -Quantities reported should be net of returns.

"Import values"—Values reported should be landed, duty-paid values at the U.S. port of entry, including ocean freight and insurance costs, brokerage charges, and import duties (i.e., all charges except inland freight in the United States).

"U.S. commercial shipments"— Shipments made within the United States as a result of an arm's length commercial transaction in the ordinary course of business. Report net values (i.e., gross sales values less all discounts, allowances, rebates, prepaid freight, and the value of returned goods) in U.S. dollars, f.o.b. your point of shipment.

"Internal consumption" – Product consumed internally by your firm. Such transactions are valued at fair market value.

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

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

"Export shipments"— Shipments to destinations outside the United States, including shipments to related firms.

"Inventories" -- Finished goods inventory, not raw materials or work in progress.

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

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

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

| Quantity (<i>in 1,000 pounds</i>), value (<i>in \$1,000</i>) | | | | |
|---|---|--|-------------------------|--|
| Calendar years | | | | |
| Item | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | |
| Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A) | | | | |
| Imports: ¹ Quantity (B) | | | | |
| Value (C) | | | | |
| U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D) | | | | |
| Value (E) | | | | |
| Internal consumption: ² Quantity (F) | | | | |
| Value ² (G) | | | | |
| Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H) | | | | |
| Value ² (I) | | | | |
| Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J) | | | | |
| Value (K) | | | | |
| End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L) | | | | |
| ¹ Please list the 10-digit HTS statistical re Please identify the foreign producers, i ² Internal consumption and transfers to r basis for valuing these transactions in your the data provided above in this table should | f known: elated firms must be val records, please specify t | ued at fair market value. If yo hat basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, | ur firm uses a differer | |

China

³ Identify your firm's principal export markets:

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

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

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

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

China

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

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

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

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

China

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

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

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

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

India

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

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.

³ Identify your firm's principal export markets: _____

II-6a.

U.S. imports from India.-Continued

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

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

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

India

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

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

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

II-6c. **U.S. imports from India, by type**.-- Report your firm's U.S. imports, by type.

India

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

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

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

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

Taiwan

| | Calendar years | | |
|--|----------------|------|------|
| Item | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
| Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A) | | | |
| Imports: ¹ Quantity (B) | | | |
| Value (C) | | | |
| U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D) | | | |
| Value (E) | | | |
| Internal consumption: ² Quantity (F) | | | |
| Value ² (G) | | | |
| Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H) | | | |
| Value ² (I) | | | |
| Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J) | | | |
| Value (K) | | | |
| End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L) | | | |

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.

³ Identify your firm's principal export markets:

II-7a. U.S. imports from Taiwan.-Continued

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

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

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

Taiwan

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

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

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

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

Taiwan

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

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

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

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

Thailand

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

the data provided above in this table should be based on fair market value.

³ Identify your firm's principal export markets: _____.

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

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

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

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

Thailand

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

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

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

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

Thailand

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

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

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

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

All other sources

(list sources: _____

| Calendar years | | | |
|---|--|---|---|
| Item | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
| Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (A) | | | |
| Imports: ¹ Quantity (B) | | | |
| Value (C) | | | |
| U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D) | | | |
| Value (E) | | | |
| Internal consumption: ² Quantity (F) | | | |
| Value ² (G) | | | |
| Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H) | | | |
| Value ² (I) | | | |
| Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J) | | | |
| Value (K) | | | |
| End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L) | | | |
| ¹ Please list the 10-digit HTS statisti Please identify the foreign produc ² Internal consumption and transfe different basis for valuing these transfe However, the data provided a | ers, if known: rs to related firms mus actions in your records | t be valued at fair market val , please specify that basis (e. | ue. If your firm (g., cost, cost plus |

³ Identify your firm's principal export markets: _____.

II-9a. Imports from all other sources.-Continued

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

| | Calendar years | | |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Reconciliation | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
| A + B - D - F - H - J - L = should equal | | | |
| zero ("0") or provide an explanation. ¹ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ¹ Explanation if the calculated fields | above are returning v | alues other than zero (| i.e., "0") but are |

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

All other sources

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

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

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

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

All other sources

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

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

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

- II-10. <u>**Transfers to related firms.--**</u> If your firm reported transfers to related firms in any of the data tables in part II, please identify the firm(s) and indicate the nature of the relationship between your firm and the related firms (e.g., joint venture, wholly owned subsidiary) and whether the transfers were priced at market value or by a non-market formula.
- II-11. <u>Other explanations</u>.--If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part II for which a narrative response box was not provided, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below. Please also use this space to highlight any issues your firm had in providing the data in this section, including but not limited to technical issues with the MS Word questionnaire.

PART III.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS

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

III-1. <u>Contact information</u>.--Please identify the responsible individual and the manner by which Commission staff may contact that individual regarding the confidential information submitted in part III.

| Name | |
|-----------|--|
| Title | |
| Email | |
| Telephone | |

PRICE DATA

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

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

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

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

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

China

| | (Qua | antity <i>in pounds</i> | , value <i>in dollars</i>) | | | |
|--------------------|----------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | Produc | rt 1 | Produc | ct 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 | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |
| 2018: | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |

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

¹ 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.

² Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

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

Product 1:

Product 2:

Product 3:

Table continued on next page.

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

| | Produc | Product 4 Product 5 | | :t 5 | Product 6 | |
|--------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| Period of shipment | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| 2016: | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |
| 2017: | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |
| 2018: | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |

f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of shipment.

² Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

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

Product 4:

Product 5:

Product 6:

Business Proprietary

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India

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

| | (Qua | antity <i>in pounds</i> | , value in dollars) | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------|--|
| | Produ | ct 1 | Produ | ct 2 | Produc | t 3 | |
| Period of shipment | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | |
| 2016: | | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | |
| 2017: | | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | |
| 2018: | | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | |
| ¹ Net values (i.e., gross sa | les values less all dis | counts, allowan | ces, rebates, prep | aid freight, an | d the value of retu | rned goods), | |
| f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of | | | | | | | |
| ² Pricing product definition | ons are provided on t | the first page of | Part III. | | | | |
| Note If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of your firm's product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data. | | | | | | | |
| Product 1: | | | | | | | |
| Product 2: | | | | | | | |
| Product 3: | | | | | | | |
| Table continued on next | page. | | | | | | |

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

| | Produc | Product 4 Product 5 | | t 5 Product 6 | | :t 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 | | | | | | |
| luly-September | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |

f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of shipment.

² Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

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

Product 4:

Product 5:

Product 6:

Business Proprietary

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Taiwan

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

| | (Qua | antity <i>in pounds</i> | , value in dollars) | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------|--|
| | Produc | ct 1 | Produ | ct 2 | Produc | xt 3 | |
| Period of shipment | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | |
| 2016: | | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | |
| 2017: | | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | |
| 2018: | | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | |
| ¹ Net values (i.e., gross sa | les values less all dis | counts, allowan | ces, rebates, prep | aid freight, an | d the value of retu | rned goods), | |
| f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of | | | | | | | |
| ² Pricing product definition | ons are provided on t | the first page of | Part III. | | | | |
| Note If your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of your firm's product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data. | | | | | | | |
| Product 1: | | | | | | | |
| Product 2: | | | | | | | |
| Product 3: | | | | | | | |
| Table continued on next | page. | | | | | | |

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

| | Produc | :t 4 | Produc | xt 5 | Product 6 | |
|--------------------|----------|-------|----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| Period of shipment | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| 2016: | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |
| 2017: | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |
| 2018: | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | |
| Iuly-September | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |

f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of shipment.

² Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

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

Product 4:

Product 5:

Product 6:

Thailand

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

| | (Qu | antity in pounds | , value in dollars) | | | |
|---|-----------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| | Produ | ct 1 | Produ | ct 2 | Produc | :t 3 |
| Period of shipment | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| 2016: | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |
| 2017: | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |
| 2018: | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | |
| ¹ Net values (i.e., gross sa f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of ² Pricing product definitio | shipment. | | | aid freight, and | d the value of retu | rned goods), |
| Note If your firm's product d provide a description of your f | | | | • | | |
| Product 1: | | | | | | |
| Product 2: | | | | | | |
| Product 3: | | | | | | |
| Table continued on next | page. | | | | | |

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

| | Product 4 | | Produc | value <i>in dollars</i>) Product 5 | | Product 6 | |
|--------------------|-----------|-------|----------|--|----------|-----------|--|
| Period of shipment | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | |
| 2016: | | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | |
| 2017: | | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | |
| 2018: | | | | | | | |
| January-March | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | |

f.o.b. your firm's U.S. point of shipment.

² Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part III.

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

Product 4:

Product 5:

Product 6:

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

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

III-2c. **Pricing data 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.

III-3. **Price setting.--**How does your firm determine the prices that it charges for sales of threaded rod (*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 |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|--------------------|
| | | | | |

III-4. **Discount policy.--**Please indicate and describe your firm's discount policies (*check all that apply*).

| Quantity discounts | Annual total volume discounts | No discount policy | Other | Describe |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|-------|----------|
| | | | | |

III-5. **Pricing terms.--** On what basis are your firm's prices of imported threaded rod from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand usually quoted (*check one*)?

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

III-6. <u>Contract versus spot</u>.--Approximately what share of your firm's sales of threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand in 2018 was on a (1) short-term contract basis, (2) annual contract basis, (3) long-term contract basis, and (4) spot sales basis?

| | Type of sale | | | | | |
|---------------------|---|--|--|---|--|---------|
| Item | Short-term contracts (multiple deliveries for less than 12 months) | Annual contracts (multiple deliveries for 12 months) | Long-term contracts (multiple deliveries for more than 12 months) | Spot sales (for a single delivery) | Tota (shoul sum t 100.09 | ld o |
| Share of 2018 sales | % | % | % | % | 0.0 | % |

III-7. <u>Contract provisions</u>.— Please fill out the table regarding your firm's typical sales contracts for threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand (or check "not applicable" if your firm does not sell on a short-term, annual and/or long-term contract basis).

| Typical sales contract provisions | 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) |
|--|----------------|---|---|--|
| 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 ¹ | No | | | |
| Not applicable | | | | |
| ¹ Please identify the indexes used: | | | | |

III-8. Lead times.--What is your firm's share of sales of threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand from inventory and produced to order and what is the typical lead time between a customer's order and the date of delivery for your firm's sales of threaded rod?

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

III-9. Shipping information.—

- (a) What is the approximate percentage of the cost of threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand that is accounted for by U.S. inland transportation costs? _____ percent.
- (b) Who generally arranges the transportation to your firm's customers' locations? Your firm Purchaser (check one)
- (c) When your firm sells threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand, from where is it shipped?
 Point of importation Storage facility (check one)
- (d) Indicate the approximate percentage of your firm's sales of threaded rod imported from China, India, Taiwan, and/or Thailand that are delivered the following distances from your firm's U.S. point of shipment.

| Distance from your firm's U.S. point of shipment | Share |
|--|-------|
| Within 100 miles | % |
| 101 to 1,000 miles | % |
| Over 1,000 miles | % |
| Total (should sum to 100.0%) | 0.0 % |

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

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

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

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

III-12. Substitutes.--Can other products be substituted for threaded rod?

🗌 No

Yes--Please fill out the table.

| | | End use in which this | Have changes in the price of this substitute affected the price for threaded rod? | | |
|----|------------|-----------------------|--|-----|-------------|
| | Substitute | substitute is used | No | Yes | Explanation |
| 1. | | | | | |
| 2. | | | | | |
| 3. | | | | | |

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

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

III-14. **Product changes.--**Have there been any significant changes in the product range, product mix or marketing of threaded rod since January 1, 2016?

| No | Yes | If yes, please describe. |
|----|-----|--------------------------|
| | | |

III-15. Conditions of competition.—

(a) Is the threaded rod market subject to business cycles (other than general economy-wide conditions) and/or other conditions of competition distinctive to threaded rod?

| Check al | l that apply. | Please describe. |
|----------|--|--------------------------|
| | Νο | Skip to question III-16. |
| | Yes-Business cycles (e.g. seasonal business) | |
| | Yes-Other distinctive conditions of competition | |

(b) If yes, have there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of competition for threaded rod since January 1, 2016?

| No | Yes | If yes, describe. |
|----|-----|-------------------|
| | | |

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

| No | Yes | If yes, please describe. |
|----|-----|--------------------------|
| | | |

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

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

III-18. Interchangeability.--Is threaded rod produced in the United States and in other countries interchangeable (i.e., can they physically be used in the same applications)?

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

- A = the products from a specified country-pair are *always* interchangeable
- F = the products are *frequently* interchangeable
- S = the products are *sometimes* interchangeable
- N = the products are *never* interchangeable
- 0 = *no familiarity* with products from a specified country-pair

| Country-pair | China | India | Taiwan | Thailand | Other countries | |
|--|-------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------|--|
| United States | | | | | | |
| China | | | | | | |
| India | | \searrow | | | | |
| Taiwan | | \searrow | \searrow | | | |
| Thailand | | \searrow | \searrow | \searrow | | |
| For any country-pair producing threaded rod that is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>never</i> interchangeable, identify | | | | | | |
| the country-pair and explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use: | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |

III-19. Factors other than price.--Are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, etc.) between threaded rod produced in the United States and in other countries a significant factor in your firm's sales of the products?

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

A = such differences are *always* significant

F = such differences are *frequently* significant

S = such differences are *sometimes* significant

N = such differences are *never* significant

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

| Country-pair | China | India | Taiwan | Thailand | Other countries | |
|--|-------|------------|--------|----------|-----------------|--|
| United States | | | | | | |
| China | | | | | | |
| India | | \ge | | | | |
| Taiwan | | \searrow | | | | |
| Thailand | | \searrow | | | | |
| 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 threaded rod, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors: | | | | | | |

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

| | Customer's name | Contact person | Email | Telephone | City | State | Share of 2018 sales (%) |
|----|-----------------|----------------|-------|-----------|------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | | | | |
| 6 | | | | | | | |
| 7 | | | | | | | |
| 8 | | | | | | | |
| 9 | | | | | | | |
| 10 | | | | | | | |

- III-21. Impact of the section 232 investigation.--This question concerns the section 232 investigation and subsequent tariffs imposed on imported steel products.
 - (a) Did the announcement of the 232 investigation in April 2017 or the subsequent imposition of tariffs on imported steel products beginning in March 2018 have an impact on the threaded rod market?

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

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

before and after the application of additional tariffs on imported steel products.

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

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

- III-22. <u>Impact of the section 301 investigation</u>.--This question concerns the section 301 investigation and subsequent announcement of additional tariffs that include threaded rod proposed and implemented by the United States in response to Chinese trade practices.
 - (a) Did the announcement of the 301 investigation in June 2018 or the subsequent imposition of tariffs on Chinese-origin products have an impact on the threaded rod market?

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

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

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

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

- III-23. Impact of the carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod antidumping and countervailing duty orders.--This question concerns the most recent antidumping and countervailing duty orders on carbon and alloy steel wire rod (wire rod).
 - (a) Did the petitions on wire rod in March 2017 or the subsequent issuance of antidumping and countervailing duty orders in January - May 2018 have an impact on the threaded rod market?

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

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

before and after the issuance of the AD/CVD orders.

(b) <u>Assessment of impact of the carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod antidumping and</u> <u>countervailing duty orders</u>.--Please indicate the impact on threaded rod, of the petitions on wire rod and the subsequent issuance of antidumping and countervailing duty orders on wire rod.

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

III-24. <u>Other explanations</u>.--If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part III for which a narrative response box was not provided, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below. Please also use this space to highlight any issues your firm had in providing the data in this section, including but not limited to technical issues with the MS Word questionnaire.

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