

LOST SALES AND LOST REVENUE SURVEY

ACETONE FROM BELGIUM, KOREA, SAUDI ARABIA, SINGAPORE, SOUTH AFRICA, AND SPAIN

This survey must be received by the Commission by **March 5, 2019**
See last page for filing instructions.

The information called for in this survey is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its antidumping investigations concerning acetone from Belgium, Korea, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Africa, and Spain (Inv. Nos. 731-TA-1435-1440 (Preliminary)). The information requested in the survey 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 possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)). Further information on this survey can be obtained from Cindy Cohen (202-205-3230, cindy.cohen@usitc.gov).

<p>Name of firm _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____</p> <p>Website _____</p> <p>Has your firm purchased or imported for own use acetone (as defined on next page) at any time since January 1, 2016?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> NO (Sign the certification below and promptly return only this page of the survey to the Commission)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES (Complete all parts of the survey, and return the entire survey to the Commission)</p> <p>Return questionnaire via the U.S. International Trade Commission <i>Drop Box</i> by clicking on the following link: https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/. (PIN: ACET)</p>
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CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information herein supplied in this survey 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 submitting this certification I also grant consent for the Commission, and its employees and contract personnel, to use the information provided in this survey and throughout these proceedings 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 investigation or other proceeding 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

GENERAL INFORMATION

Background.--These proceedings were instituted in response to a petition filed on February 19, 2019, by AdvanSix Inc., Parsippany, New Jersey, Altivia Petrochemicals, LLC, Haverhill, Ohio, and Olin Corporation, Clayton, Missouri. 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 dumping. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to these proceedings are available at:

https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2019/acetone_belgium_korea_saudi_arabia_singapore_south/preliminary.htm

Acetone covered by these investigations is acetone of all grades of liquid or aqueous acetone. Acetone is also known under the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry ("IUPAC") name propan-2-one. In addition to the IUPAC name, acetone is also referred to as β -ketopropane (or "beta-ketopropane"), ketone propane, methyl ketone, dimethyl ketone, DMK, dimethyl carbonyl, propanone, 2-propanone, dimethyl formaldehyde, pyroacetic acid, pyroacetic ether, and pyroacetic spirit. Acetone is an isomer of the chemical formula C₃H₆O, with a specific molecular formula of CH₃COCH₃ or (CH₃)₂CO.

The scope includes acetone that is combined or mixed with other products, including, but not limited to, benzene, diethyl ether, methanol, chloroform, and ethanol. For such combined products, only the acetone component is covered by the scope of these investigations. Acetone that has been combined with other products is included within the scope, regardless of whether the combining occurs in third countries.

Acetone that is otherwise subject to these investigations is not excluded when commingled with acetone from sources not subject to these investigations. Only the subject merchandise component of such commingled products is covered by the scope of these investigations. The Chemical Abstracts Service ("CAS") registry number for acetone is 67-64-1.

The merchandise covered by these investigations is currently classifiable under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS") subheadings 2914.11.1000 and 2914.11.5000. Although these HTSUS subheadings and CAS registry number are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of these investigations is dispositive.

Reporting of information.--If information is not readily available from your records, provide carefully prepared estimates.

Confidentiality.--The data furnished in response to this survey 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.

Release of information.--The information provided by your firm in response to this survey, as well as any other business proprietary information submitted by your firm to the Commission in connection

with these 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 these 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. Please also retain a copy of the final document that you submit.

Contact information.--Please identify the responsible individual and the manner by which Commission staff may contact that individual regarding the confidential information submitted in this survey. This may or may not be the person whose signature is at the bottom of page 1.

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	

Firms operating more than one establishment should combine the data for all establishments into a single response.

PURCHASE INFORMATION

1. **Purchases and imports.**--Report separately your firm’s domestic purchases and imports of acetone.

“Purchase” – Purchase from a U.S. entity such as a U.S. producer, a U.S. importer, or other U.S. firm.

“Import” – Purchase directly from a foreign supplier and your firm is the importer of record.

Item	2016	2017	2018
	Quantity (in short tons)		
Purchases of acetone produced in— United States			
Belgium			
Korea			
Saudi Arabia			
Singapore			
South Africa			
Spain			
All other countries ¹			
Sources unknown ²			
Total purchases	0	0	0
Imports of acetone from— Belgium			
Korea			
Saudi Arabia			
Singapore			
South Africa			
Spain			
All other countries ¹			
Total imports ³	0	0	0

¹ Please identify these countries:

² Please indicate the reason for not knowing the source of the acetone purchased and indicate the firm(s) from which you purchased this merchandise:

³ If your firm imported acetone at any time since January 1, 2016, please also complete and return a U.S. importers' questionnaire in these proceedings.

2. **Changes in purchasing patterns.**--Please indicate how the shares of your firm's purchases of acetone from different sources have changed since January 1, 2016.

Source of purchases	Did not purchase	Decreased	Increased	Constant	Fluctuated	Explanation for trend
United States	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Belgium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Korea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Saudi Arabia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Singapore	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
South Africa	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Spain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
All other countries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sources unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

3. **Major purchasing factors.**--Please list, in order of their importance, the main factors your firm considers in deciding from whom to purchase acetone.

1.	
2.	
3.	
Please list any other factors that are very important in your purchase decisions:	

4. Purchasing subject imports rather than domestic products.—

(a) Since January 2016, did your firm import and/or purchase imports of acetone from subject countries instead of purchasing U.S.-produced acetone? Respond for each subject country.

Source	Yes (also respond to parts (b) and (c))	No (If “No” for all countries, skip to next question)
Belgium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Korea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Saudi Arabia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Singapore	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
South Africa	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(b) If you responded “Yes” to part (a), was the imported product priced lower than the domestic product?

Source	Yes	No
Belgium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Korea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Saudi Arabia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Singapore	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
South Africa	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(c) If you responded “Yes” to part (a), was price a primary reason for importing and/or purchasing subject imports rather than domestic product?

Source	Yes	If Yes, estimate the quantity of imports purchased and/or imported instead of domestic product since January 2016 (in short tons)	No	If No, please indicate the reason your firm imported and/or purchased imports instead of domestic product
Belgium	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Korea	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Saudi Arabia	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Singapore	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
South Africa	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Spain	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	

5. **U.S. producers and import competition.--**

(a) Since January 1, 2016, in connection with a sale or offer to sell acetone to your firm, did U.S. producers reduce their prices of domestically produced acetone in order to compete with lower-priced imports of acetone from the subject countries? Respond for each subject country.

Source	Yes (also respond to question part (b))	No (If “No” for all countries, skip to next question)	Don’t know
Belgium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Korea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Saudi Arabia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Singapore	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
South Africa	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- (b) If your firm responded “yes” to any of the above countries, please provide an estimate of the reduction in U.S. producers’ prices, and any additional explanations, such as timing (e.g., months/years), frequency of price reductions, or other market/competitive factors.

Source	Estimated reduction in U.S. prices (percent)	Additional explanation, including such information as timing (e.g., months/years), frequency of price reductions, or other market/competitive factors
Belgium	%	
Korea	%	
Saudi Arabia	%	
Singapore	%	
South Africa	%	
Spain	%	

6. **Method of purchase**--Please provide a general description of your firm’s method(s) of purchase for acetone (e.g., individual purchase, contract, bids, Internet purchases, etc.).

7. **Other explanations**--Please provide any additional comments in this box.

OMB INFORMATION

8. **OMB statistics.**--Please report the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of completing this survey.

Hours	Dollars

The questions in this survey 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 survey is estimated to average 4 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering data, and completing and reviewing the survey.

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

HOW TO FILE YOUR SURVEY RESPONSE

Please do not attempt to modify the format or permissions of the survey document.

Please submit the completed survey using one of the methods noted below. If your firm is unable to complete the MS Word survey 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 survey 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/>
- **Enter Investigation:** Select “Acetone” in the drop down menu
- **Pin:** **ACET**

- **E-mail.**—E-mail the MS Word survey to cindy.cohen@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 did not purchase this product, please fill out page 1, print, sign, and submit a scanned copy to the Commission.