#### **U.S. PURCHASERS' QUESTIONNAIRE**

# PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STEEL WIRE STRAND ("PC STRAND") FROM ARGENTINA, COLOMBIA, EGYPT, INDONESIA, ITALY, MALAYSIA, NETHERLANDS, SAUDI ARABIA, SOUTH AFRICA, SPAIN, TAIWAN, TUNISIA, TURKEY, UKRAINE, AND UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by October 21, 2020.

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 investigation concerning imports of PC strand from Turkey and the antidumping duty investigations concerning PC strand from Argentina, Colombia, Egypt, Indonesia, Italy, Malaysia, Netherlands, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Spain, Taiwan, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, and United Arab Emirates ("UAE"); (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-646 and 731-TA-1502-1516 (Final)). 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 possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)). Further information on this questionnaire can be obtained from Craig Thomsen (202-205-3226, craig.thomsen@usitc.gov).

Name of firm

Address

	City		State	Zip Code _		_
	Website					_
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#### PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

<u>Background.</u>-- These proceedings were instituted in response to petitions filed on April 16, 2020, by Insteel Wire Products Company, Mount Airy, North Carolina, Sumiden Wire Products Corporation, Dickson, Tennessee, and Wire Mesh Corp., Houston Texas. 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(s) of injury, threat, or material retardation, and if the U.S. Department of Commerce ("Commerce") makes an affirmative determination(s) of subsidization and/or dumping. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at <a href="https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2020/prestressed\_concrete\_steel\_wire\_strand\_argentina/final.htm">https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2020/prestressed\_concrete\_steel\_wire\_strand\_argentina/final.htm</a>

<u>PC strand</u> covered by these investigations is prestressed concrete steel wire strand ("PC strand"), produced from wire of non-stainless, non-galvanized steel, which is suitable for use in prestressed concrete (both pretensioned and post-tensioned) applications. The product definition encompasses covered and uncovered strand and all types, grades, and diameters of PC strand. PC strand is normally sold in the United States in sizes ranging from 0.25 inches to 0.70 inches in diameter. PC strand made from galvanized wire is only excluded from the scope if the zinc and/or zinc oxide coating meets or exceeds the 0.40 oz./ft2 standard set forth in ASTM-A-475.

The PC strand subject to this order is currently classifiable under subheadings 7312.10.3010 and 7312.10.3012 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS"). Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of this order is dispositive.

<u>Purchaser</u>.--Any firm engaged, either directly or through a parent company or subsidiary, in purchasing PC strand from another firm that produces, imports, or otherwise distributes PC strand.

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

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

<u>Verification</u>.--The information submitted in this questionnaire is subject to audit and verification by the Commission. To facilitate possible verification of data, please keep all files, worksheets, and supporting documents used in the preparation of the questionnaire response. Please also retain a copy of the final document that you submit.

<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.

I-1a.	by this questionnaire	Establishments coveredProvide the name and address of your U.S. establishment(s) covered by this questionnaire, if different from that listed on the cover page. Firms operating more than one establishment should combine the data for all establishments into a single response.							
		ch facility of a firm involved in the <u>purchase</u> of PC strand, including auxiliary conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.							
I-1b.		ation If your firm or parent firm is publicly traded, please specify the rading symbol:							
l-1c.	·	your firm or parent firm is represented by external counsel in relation to se specify the name of the law firm and the lead attorney(s).							
	Law firm:								
	Lead attorney(s):								

# U.S. Purchasers' Questionnaire - PC Strand (Final) I-2. Ownership.--Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm? No Yes--List the following information, relating to the ultimate parent/owner. **Extent of ownership** Firm name (percent) Country I-3. Related importers/exporters.-- Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, which import PC strand into the United States or which export PC strand to the United States? Yes--List the following information. No Firm name **Affiliation** Country I-4. Related producers.--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, which produce PC strand? Yes--List the following information. No Firm name Country **Affiliation**

## PART II.--PURCHASES

<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 this questionnaire.

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	

II-1. <u>Purchases and imports.</u>--Report <u>separately</u> your firm's domestic purchases and imports of PC strand.

"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.

	2017	2018	2019			
Item	Quantity (in 1,000 pounds)					
Purchases of PC strand produced in United States Subject to Buy American requirements						
Not subject to Buy American requirements						
Argentina						
Colombia						
Egypt						
Indonesia						
Italy						
Malaysia						
Netherlands						
Saudi Arabia						
South Africa						
Spain						
Taiwan						
Tunisia						
Turkey						
Ukraine						
UAE						
All other countries <sup>1</sup>						
Sources unknown <sup>2</sup>						
Total purchases	0	0	0			
<ul> <li>Please identify these countries:</li> <li>Please indicate the firm(s) from which you purchased</li> <li>If your firm imported PC strand at any time since Jan importers' questionnaire in this proceeding.</li> </ul>			urn a U.S.			

<u>Purchases and imports</u>. continued--Report <u>separately</u> your firm's domestic purchases and II-1. imports of PC strand.

"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.

	2017	2018	2019		
Item	Quantity (in 1,000 pounds)				
Imports of PC strand from					
Argentina					
Colombia					
Egypt					
Indonesia					
Italy					
Malaysia					
Netherlands					
Saudi Arabia					
South Africa					
Spain					
Taiwan					
Tunisia					
Turkey					
Ukraine					
UAE					
All other countries <sup>1</sup>					
Sources unknown <sup>2</sup>					
Total imports	0	0	C		
<sup>1</sup> Please identify these countries: <sup>2</sup> Please indicate the firm(s) from which you <sup>3</sup> If your firm imported PC strand at any tim importers' questionnaire in this proceeding.			eturn a U.S.		

importers' questionnaire in this proceeding.

II-2. <u>Changes in purchasing patterns.</u>--Please indicate how the shares of your firm's purchases of PC strand from different sources have changed since January 1, 2017.

Source of purchases	Did not purchase	Decreased	Increased	Constant	Fluctuated	Explanation for trend
United States						
Argentina						
Colombia						
Egypt						
Indonesia						
Italy						
Malaysia						
Netherlands						
Saudi Arabia						
South Africa						
Spain						
Taiwan						
Tunisia						
Turkey						
Ukraine						
UAE						
All other countries						
Sources unknown						

II-3. <u>Country knowledge.</u>--Please indicate the countries of origin with which your firm has experience or information in the PC strand market.

United States	Argentina	Colombia	Egypt	Indonesia	Italy	Malaysia	Netherlands	Saudi Arabia	South Africa	Spain	Taiwan	Tunisia	Turkey	Ukraine	UAE	Other countries	Other countries (specify)

II-4. <u>Supplier identification</u>.--Please list your firm's <u>FIVE</u> largest suppliers for PC strand since January 1, 2017. Also, provide the share of the quantity of your firm's total purchases of PC strand that each of these suppliers accounted for in 2019.

No.	Supplier's name	City and state	Share of quantity of 2019 purchases
1			%
2			%
3			%
4			%
5			%

## PART III.--MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES

III-1.	Firm typeWhich of the following best describes your firm as a purchaser of PC strand (check
	all that apply)?

End user (Pre- tension)	End user (Post- tension)	Distributor	Other	Describe other

If your firm is a distributor of PC strand, please answer questions III-2 and III-3.

III-2.	Competition for salesDoes your firm compete for sales to customers with the manufacturers
	or importers from which your firm purchases PC strand?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe.

III-3.	Types of customersWhat are the major types of consumers to which your firm sells PC	strand

If your firm is an end user of PC strand, please answer questions III-4 and III-5.

III-4. <u>End uses.</u>--List the top 3 products your firm makes using PC strand and estimate the percent of your <u>total production cost</u> that is accounted for by PC strand and by other inputs (such as labor, energy, and other raw materials).

	Share of total cost in e			ır	<b>Total</b> (should
Product(s) your firm					sum to 100.0%
produces	PC strand		Other inputs		across)
	%	+	%	=	0.0 %
	%	+	%	=	0.0 %
	%	+	%	=	0.0 %

III-5.	<b>Demand for end-use</b>	products
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(a) Has the demand for your firm's final products incorporating PC strand changed since January 1, 2017?

Increased	No change	Decreased	Fluctuated

(b) Has this had any effect on your firm's demand for PC strand?

No	Yes	Explain

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III-6.	<u>Substitutes</u>	<u>s</u> Can c	other	products b	oe substitut	ed for P	C stra	nd?	
		No		YesP	lease fill ou	t the tak	ole.		
				End use in which this			Have changes in the price of this substitute affected the price for PC strand?		
	Substitute			substitute is used			Yes	Explanation	
1.									
2.									
3.									
	-	trends	and c	lescribe th	e principal	factors t	that h	d has changed since January 1, 2017. ave affected these changes in	
N	larket	incre		No change	Overall decrease	with clear t	_	Explanation and factors	
Within the Unite							]		
Post-tension o	lemand						]		
Total demai	nd						]		
Outside the Unit Total deman							]		
					our custom			ifically order PC strand from one	
	No	Yes	If yes	, identify	the countri	es and e	xplai	n.	

III-9.	Importance of purchasing domestic productPlease fill out the table below, estimating the
	percentage of your firm's total 2019 purchases of PC strand that required PC strand produced in
	the United States.

	Estimated percentage of your firm's total 2019 purchases of PC strand
Purchases that did not require domestic product	%
Purchases that were required by law or regulation to be domestic product (e.g., government purchases under "Buy American" provisions)	%
Purchases that were not required by law or regulation, but were required by your customers to be domestic product	%
Purchases that were required to be domestic product for other reasons	
(explain:)	%
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %

#### III-10. Conditions of competition.--

(a) Is the PC strand market subject to business cycles and/or other conditions of competition distinctive to PC strand?

Check a	ll that apply.	Please describe.
	No	Skip to question III-11.
	Yes-Business cycles (e.g. seasonal business)	
	Yes-Other distinctive conditions of competition	

(b) Have there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of competition for PC strand since January 1, 2017?

No	Yes	If yes, describe.

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III-11.	Decisions based on producer and country-of-originHow often does your firm, and if known,
	do your customers, make purchasing decisions involving PC strand based on its producer or
	country of origin?

Item	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	If at least sometimes, explain.			
	Decision based on producer							
Your firm								
Your customers								
		Decis	ion based on c	ountry of	origin			
Your firm								
Your customers								
	•	•		•				

III-12. **Availability of supply.--**Has the availability of PC strand in the U.S. market changed since January 1, 2017?

Availability in the U.S.			Please explain, noting the countries and reasons for the
market	No	Yes	changes.
U.Sproduced product			
Subject imports			
Nonsubject imports			

III-13. <u>Supply constraints.</u>--Has any firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply your firm with PC strand since January 1, 2017 (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-14. <u>Availability of specific product types.</u>--Are certain grades/types/sizes of PC strand only available from certain country sources?

No	Yes	If yes, please identify the countries and the grade/type/size.

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III-15.	Purchas	ing freq	<u>uency</u> .						
	(a)	How frequently does your firm make purchases of PC strand (check one)?							
		Daily	Week	dy	Monthly	Quarterly	Annually	Other	If other, specify
	(b)	Has this	purch	asing	g frequency	changed sinc	e January 1,	2017?	
		No	Yes	If yes, please describe.					
III-16.	Raw ma	aterial pr	ices.—	-					
	(a)	Is your f	irm far	milia	r with the pi	rices for wire	rods used ir	the prod	duction of PC strand?
		N	0	Υ	<b>'es</b> – please	answer (b)			
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				n on wire rod prices affected your firm's negotiations or contracts to rand since 2017?					
		No	Yes	Expl	ain				
III-17.						many suppliend firn	-	r firm ger	nerally contact before
III-18.		<u>r negotia</u> n supplie			-	purchases of	PC strand u	sually inv	olve negotiations
	No Yes If yes, explain the factors your firm generally negotiates and note whether your firm quotes competing prices during negotiations.								

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III-19.	Change i	n supplie	<u>rs</u> Has yo	our firm changed suppliers since January 1, 2017?			
	No	Yes	1	ease list the supplier(s), whether the firm was added or dropped, easons for the change.			
III-20.	-		•	are of any new suppliers, either foreign or domestic, that have nuary 1, 2017?			
	No	Yes	If yes, ple	ease identify the firms.			
III-21.	<ul> <li>II-21. Supplier qualificationDo you require your suppliers to be or to become certified or quato sell PC strand to your firm?</li> <li>If yes, provide the following information.</li> <li>The number of days to qualify a new supplier.</li> <li>A general description of the certification or qualification process. Also, a brief description of the factors that you consider when qualifying a new supplier (e.g., of product, reliability of supplier, etc.).</li> </ul>						
	No	Yes	Number of days	Process and factors			
III-22.	attempts	<u>Failure to certify.</u> Since January 1, 2017, have any domestic or foreign producers failed in their attempts to certify or qualify their PC strand with your firm or have any producers lost their approved status?					
	No	Yes		ease identify these firms, the countries where they are located, easons why they failed the certification/qualification.			

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Please list any other factors that are v	ery important in	your purchase de	cisions:
Purchasing factorsPlease rate the im	portance of the f	ollowing factors in	n your firm's
ourchasing decisions for PC strand.			
_	Very	Somewhat	Not
Factor	important	important	important
Availability			
Availability of post-tension product			
Availability of pre-tension product			
Delivery terms			
Delivery time			
Discounts offered			
Minimum quantity requirements			
Packaging			
Payment terms			
Price			
Product consistency			
Product range			
Quality meets industry standards			
Quality exceeds industry standards			
Reliability of supply			
Technical support/service			
U.S. transportation costs			
	<u> </u>		

III-26. <u>Minimum quality.</u>--How often does PC strand from the following countries meet minimum quality specifications for your uses or your customers' uses?

Source	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Rarely or never	Don't know
United States					
Argentina					
Colombia					
Egypt					
Indonesia					
Italy					
Malaysia					
Netherlands					
Saudi Arabia					
South Africa					
Spain					
Taiwan					
Tunisia					
Turkey					
Ukraine					
UAE					
Other:					

III-27. <u>Frequency of decisions based on price</u>.--How often does your firm purchase the PC strand that is offered at the lowest price?

Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never

III-28. <u>Price leaders.</u>--A price leader is defined as (1) one or more firms that initiate a price change, either upward or downward, that is followed by other firms, or (2) one or more firms that have a significant impact on prices. A price leader is not necessarily the lowest-priced supplier.

Please list the names of any firms you considered price leaders in the PC strand market since January 1, 2017.

Firm(s)	Describe how the firm(s) exhibited price leadership			

#### III-29. Purchasing subject imports rather than domestic products.—

(a) Since January 2017, did your firm import and/or purchase imports of PC strand from Argentina, Colombia, Egypt, Indonesia, Italy, Malaysia, Netherlands, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Spain, Taiwan, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, and UAE instead of purchasing U.S.-produced PC strand? Respond for each subject country.

Source	Yes (also respond to parts (b) and (c))	No (If "No" for all countries, skip to next question)
Argentina		
Colombia		
Egypt		
Indonesia		
Italy		
Malaysia		
Netherlands		
Saudi Arabia		
South Africa		
Spain		
Taiwan		
Tunisia		
Turkey		
Ukraine		
UAE		

## III-29. Purchasing subject imports rather than domestic products.— continued

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

Source	Yes	No
Argentina		
Colombia		
Egypt		
Indonesia		
Italy		
Malaysia		
Netherlands		
Saudi Arabia		
South Africa		
Spain		
Taiwan		
Tunisia		
Turkey		
Ukraine		
UAE		

## III-29. Purchasing subject imports rather than domestic products. — continued

(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 2017 (in 1,000 pounds)	No	If No, please indicate the reason your firm imported and/or purchased imports instead of domestic product
Argentina				
Colombia				
Egypt				
Indonesia				
Italy				
Malaysia				
Netherlands				
Saudi Arabia				
South Africa				
Spain				
Taiwan				
Tunisia				
Turkey				
Ukraine				
UAE				

#### III-30. U.S. producers and import competition.—

(a) Since January 1, 2017, in connection with a sale or offer to sell PC strand to your firm, did U.S. producers reduce their prices of domestically produced PC strand in order to compete with lower-priced imports of PC strand from the subject countries? Respond for each subject country.

	Yes (also respond to	No (If "No" for all countries,	
Source	question part (b))	skip to next question)	Don't know
Argentina			
Colombia			
Egypt			
Indonesia			
Italy			
Malaysia			
Netherlands			
Saudi Arabia			
South Africa			
Spain			
Taiwan			
Tunisia			
Turkey			
Ukraine			
UAF			

#### III-30. <u>U.S. producers and import competition</u>.—continued

(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 a timing (e.g., months/years), frequency of price reductions, or other market/competitive factors
Argentina	%	
Colombia	%	
Egypt	%	
Indonesia	%	
Italy	%	
Malaysia	%	
Netherlands	%	
Saudi Arabia	%	
South Africa	%	
Spain	%	
Taiwan	%	
Tunisia	%	
Turkey	%	
Ukraine	%	
UAE	%	

#### PART IV.—PRODUCT COMPARISONS

IV-1. <u>Interchangeability.--</u>Is PC strand 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

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Country-pair	Argentina	Colombia	Egypt	Indonesia	Italy	Malaysia	Netherlands	Saudi Arabia	South Africa	Spain	Taiwan	Tunisia	Turkey	Ukraine	UAE	Other countries
United States										1						
Argentina	X									Į į						
Colombia	$\times$	X														
Egypt	$\times$	X	$\times$													
Indonesia	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$												
Italy	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$											
Malaysia	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$										
Netherlands	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$									
Saudi Arabia	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$								
South Africa	$\times$	$\geq$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$							
Spain	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$						
Taiwan	$\times$	$\geq$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$					
Tunisia	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$				
Turkey	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$			
Ukraine	X	X	X	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$		
UAE	X	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\overline{\times}$	$\times$	$\times$	

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

IV-2. **Factors other than price.-**-Are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, *etc.*) between PC strand produced in the United States and in other countries a significant factor in your firm's purchases 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	Argentina	Colombia	Egypt	Indonesia	Italy	Malaysia	Netherlands	Saudi Arabia	South Africa	Spain	Taiwan	Tunisia	Turkey	Ukraine	UAE	Other countries
United States																
Argentina	$\times$															
Colombia	$\times$	X														
Egypt	$\times$	X	$\times$													
Indonesia	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$												
Italy	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$											
Malaysia	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	X										
Netherlands	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	X	X									
Saudi Arabia	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$								
South Africa	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$							
Spain	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\searrow$						
Taiwan	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$					
Tunisia	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$				
Turkey	$\setminus$	X	X	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$		$\times$	$\times$	$\times$			
Ukraine		X	X	$\times$	X	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$		
UAE	$\times$	$\times$	$\setminus$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	X	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	$\times$	

For any country-pair for which factors other than price *always* or *frequently* are a significant factor in your firm's sales of PC Strand, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:

prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

IV-3. <u>Factor country comparisons.</u>—For the factors listed below, please rate how PC strand produced in each country you identified in your response to the first question in Part IV compares with PC strand produced in each of the other countries you identified.

	Product from United States compared to product from Argentina				Uni cor pro	duct fr ted Sta npared duct fr olomb	ates I to om		Product from <u>United States</u> compared to product from <u>Egypt</u>			
Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior		Superior	Comparable	Inferior		Superior	Comparable	Inferior	
Availability												
Availability of post-tension product												
Availability of pre-tension product												
Delivery terms												
Delivery time												
Discounts offered												
Minimum quantity requirements												
Packaging												
Payment terms												
Price <sup>1</sup>												
Product consistency												
Product range												
Quality meets industry standards												
Quality exceeds industry standards												
Reliability of supply												
Technical support/service												
U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup>												
<sup>1</sup> A rating of superior on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower							e first co	untry	genera	ly has lo	wer	

#### IV-3. **Continued.**

	Product from <u>United States</u> compared to product from <u>Indonesia</u>				<u>Uni</u> cor	duct fr ted Sta npared duct fr Italy	ates I to		Uni coi pro	om tes to om	
Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior		Superior	Comparable	Inferior		Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability											
Availability of post-tension product											
Availability of pre-tension product											
Delivery terms											
Delivery time											
Discounts offered											
Minimum quantity requirements											
Packaging											
Payment terms											
Price <sup>1</sup>											
Product consistency											
Product range											
Quality meets industry standards											
Quality exceeds industry standards											
Reliability of supply											
Technical support/service											
U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup>											
<sup>1</sup> A rating of superior on price a prices/U.S. transportation costs					dicates	that the	e first co	untry	general	lly has lo	wer

#### IV-3. **Continued.**

	Product from <u>United States</u> compared to product from <u>Netherlands</u>			<u>Uni</u> cor pro	duct fr ted Sta npared duct fr udi Ara	ates d to om		Product from United State compared to product from South Africa		
Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior		Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability										
Availability of post-tension product										
Availability of pre-tension product										
Delivery terms										
Delivery time										
Discounts offered										
Minimum quantity requirements										
Packaging										
Payment terms										
Price <sup>1</sup>										
Product consistency										
Product range										
Quality meets industry standards										
Quality exceeds industry standards										
Reliability of supply										
Technical support/service										
U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup>										
<sup>1</sup> A rating of superior on price a prices/U.S. transportation costs				dicates	that the	e first co	untry	general	lly has lo	wer

#### IV-3. **Continued.**

	Product from United States compared to product from Spain				<u>Uni</u> cor pro	duct fr ted Sta npared duct fr Taiwan	ates I to om		Un cor pro	Product from <u>United States</u> compared to product from <u>Tunisia</u>		
Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior		Superior	Comparable	Inferior		Superior	Comparable	Inferior	
Availability												
Availability of post-tension product												
Availability of pre-tension product												
Delivery terms												
Delivery time												
Discounts offered												
Minimum quantity requirements												
Packaging												
Payment terms												
Price <sup>1</sup>												
Product consistency												
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Quality meets industry standards												
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Reliability of supply												
Technical support/service												
U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup>												
<sup>1</sup> A rating of superior on price a prices/U.S. transportation costs					dicates	that the	e first co	untry	genera	lly has lo	wer	

#### IV-3. **Continued.**

	Product from <u>United States</u> compared to product from <u>Turkey</u>				<u>Uni</u> cor pro	duct fr ted Sta npared duct fr Ukraine	ates I to om		Product fron <u>United State</u> compared to product fron <u>UAE</u>		
Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior		Superior	Comparable	Inferior		Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability											
Availability of post-tension product											
Availability of pre-tension product											
Delivery terms											
Delivery time											
Discounts offered											
Minimum quantity requirements											
Packaging											
Payment terms											
Price <sup>1</sup>											
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U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup>											
<sup>1</sup> A rating of superior on price a prices/U.S. transportation costs					dicates	that the	first co	untry	genera	lly has lo	wer

#### PART V.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

V-1.	<u>Other explanations.</u> If your firm would like to further explain a response to any question that for which a narrative response box was not provided, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below.

V-2. **OMB statistics.**--Please report 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 25 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.

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