U.S. PRODUCERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

ULTRA-HIGH MOLECULAR WEIGHT POLYETHYLENE FROM KOREA

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by November 30, 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 antidumping investigation concerning ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene ("UHMWPE") from Korea (Inv. No. 731-TA-1474 (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 firm's possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)).

Name of firm

City					Stat	te		Zip C	ode _						ı
Website															
Has your firm	produce	ed UHI	иwpe (a	defined	on next p	age) at an	ny tin	ne sin	ce Jai	nuary 1,	2017?)			
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PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

Background.--This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed effective March 4, 2020, by Celanese Corporation, Irving, Texas. Antidumping duties may be assessed on the subject imports as a result of this proceeding 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 this proceeding are available at:

https://usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2020/ultra_high_molecular_weight_polyethylene_korea/final.htm

<u>Ultra-High Molecular Weight Polyethylene</u> (<u>UHMWPE</u>): The merchandise covered by the scope is ultrahigh molecular weight polyethylene. Ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene is a linear polyethylene, in granular or powder form is defined by its molecular weight, as defined by Margolie's Equation, of greater than 1.0×106 g/mol. Ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene may also be defined by its melt mass-flow rate of <0.1 g/10 min, measured at 190 °C and 21.6 kg load, based on the methods and calculations set forth in the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) standards 21304-1 and 21304-2. Ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene has a Chemical Abstract Service (CAS) registry number of 9002-88-4.

The scope includes all ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene in granular or powder forms meeting the above specifications regardless of additives introduced in the manufacturing process. Ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene blended with other products is included in the scope of this investigation where ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene accounts for more than 50 percent, by actual weight, of the blend and the resulting blend maintains a molecular weight, as defined by Margolie's Equation, of greater than 1.0×106 g/mol and/or a melt mass-flow rate of <0.1 g/10 min.

Excluded from the scope of the investigation is medical-grade ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene. Medical grade ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene has a minimum viscosity of 2000 ml/g at a concentration of 0.02% at 135 °C (275 °F) in decahydronaphthalene and an elongational stress of 0.2 MPa or greater. Medical-grade ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene is further defined by its ash and trace element content, which shall not exceed the following maximum quantities as set forth in ISO-5834-1: Ash (125 mg/kg), titanium (40 mg/kg), calcium (5 mg/kg), chlorine (30 mg/kg), and aluminum (20 mg/kg). ISO 5834-1 further defines medical grade ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene by its particulate matter content, which requires that there shall be no more than three particles of contaminant per 300 \pm 20 g tested. Each of the above criteria is calculated based on the standards and methods used in ISO 5834-1.

Ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene is classifiable under the HTSUS statistical reporting numbers 3901.10.1000 and 3901.20.1000. Although the HTSUS statistical reporting numbers and CAS registry number are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope is dispositive.

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

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

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

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

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

I-1a. <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

No

Yes

I-2a.

The questions in this questionnaire have been reviewed with market participants to ensure that issues of concern are adequately addressed and that data requests are sufficient, meaningful, and as limited as possible. Public reporting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average 50 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering data, and completing and reviewing the questionnaire.

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

I-1b.	TAA information releaseIn the event that the U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC)
	makes an affirmative final determination in this proceeding, do you consent to the USITC's
	release of your contact information (company name, address, contact person, contact person's
	title, telephone number, email address) appearing on the front page of this questionnaire to the
	Departments of Commerce, Labor, and Agriculture, as applicable, so that your firm and its
	workers can be made eligible for benefits under the Trade Adjustment Assistance program?

Establishments coveredProvide the city, state, zip code, and brief description of each
establishment covered by this questionnaire. Firms operating more than one establishment

should combine the data for all establishments into a single report.

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

Establishments covered ¹	City, State	Zip (5 digit)	Description
1			
2			
3			
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6			
1			

¹ Additional discussion on establishments consolidated in this questionnaire: ______.

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I-2b.		ool information If inge and trading sy	your firm or parent fire mbol:	m is publicly tra	ded, please specify the			
I-2c.	<u>External counsel.</u> — If your firm or parent firm is represented by external counsel in relation this proceeding, please specify the name of the law firm and the lead attorney(s).							
	Law firm:							
	Lead attor	ney(s):						
I-3.	Petitioner s	•	a petitioner in this pro	ceeding or a mo	ember firm of the			
	No	Yes						
I-4.	Petition su	pportDoes your f	irm support or oppose	the petition?				
Co	ountry	Investigation typ	- ' '	Oppos	e Take no position			
ŀ	Korea	Antidumping dut	ТУ					
I-5.	Ownership No	<u> </u>	ed, in whole or in part, l		m? e ultimate parent/owner.			
	Firm name	e	Country		Extent of ownership (percent)			
I-6.	Related importers/exportersDoes your firm have any related firms, either domes foreign, that are engaged in importing UHMWPE from Korea into the United States engaged in exporting UHMWPE from Korea to the United States? No YesList the following information.							
	Firm name	<u>e</u>	Country		Affiliation			

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Related producers Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in the production of UHMWPE?						
☐ No	No YesList the following information.						
Firm	name	Country	Affiliation				

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Andres Andrade (202-205-2078, andres.andrade@usitc.gov). **Supply all data requested on a calendar-year basis.**

II-1.	<u>Contact information</u> Please identify the responsible individual and the manner by which								
	Commission st	aff may contact that individual regarding	ng the confidential information submitted						
	in Part II.								
	Name								
	Title								
	Email								
	Telenhone								

II-2a. <u>Changes in operations.</u>—Please indicate whether your firm has experienced any of the following changes in relation to the production of UHMWPE since January 1, 2017.

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

II-2b. COVID-19 pandemic.-- Since January 1, 2020, has the COVID-19 pandemic or have any government actions taken to contain the spread of the COVID-19 virus resulted in changes in relation to your firm's supply arrangements, production, shipment, and employment relating to UHMWPE?

No	If yes, describe these changes including a separate discussion of the (a) supply chain impact, (b) production and shipment impact, and (c) employment impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

II-3a. **Production using same machinery.--**Please report your firm's production of products using the same equipment, machinery, or employees as used to produce UHMWPE, and the combined production capacity on this shared equipment, machinery, or employees in the periods indicated.

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

Note.--If your firm does not produce any out-of-scope merchandise on the same machinery and equipment as scope merchandise then the "overall production capacity" numbers reported in this question should be exactly equal to the "average production capacity" numbers reported in question II-7. If, however, your firm does produce out-of-scope merchandise using the same machinery and equipment as scope merchandise, then the "average production capacity" reported in question II-7 should exclude the portion of "overall production capacity" that was used to produce this out-of-scope merchandise.

"Production" – All production in your U.S. establishment(s), including production consumed internally within your firm and production for another firm under a toll agreement.

II-3a. Production using same machinery.--Continued

Quantity (in pounds)							
		Calendar year	January-So	eptember			
Item	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020		
Overall production capacity ¹							
Production of: UHMWPE (excluding medical grade) ²	0	0	0	0	0		
Out-of-scope production Medical-grade UHMWPE							
High density polyethylene							
Polypropylene							
Other products ³							
Subtotal, out-of-scope production	0	0	0	0	0		
Total production using same machinery or workers	0	0	0	0	0		

¹ Data reported for capacity (first line) should be greater than data reported for total production (last line).

² Data entered for production of UHMWPE will populate here once reported in question II-7.

³ Please identify these products: _____.

II-3b.	Operating parametersThe production capacity reported in II-3a is based on the following
	operating paramaters:

Hours per week	Weeks per year

		1100	urs per week	vveeks	per year	
	-		1Please describe the			verall production
capac	ity rep	oorted ir	ı II-3a, and explain any o	changes in repor	ted capacity.	
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		constra capacity	<u>ints</u> Please describe th '.	ne constraint(s) t	:hat set the limit(s) on your firm's
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Produ	ict sni	fting.—				
(a)	Is y	our firm	able to switch producti	ion (capacity) be	tween UHMWPE	and other product
	usir	ng the sa	me equipment and/or	labor?		
			If yes—(i.e., have pro	duced other pro	ducts or are able	to produce other
N	о	Yes	products) Please iden	•		•
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(h)	Dlo	عدم طمدد	ribe the factors that aff	act your firm's a	hility to shift are	duction canacity
(b)			ribe the factors that aff	•		•
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II-5.		Tolling Since January 1, 2017, has your firm been involved in a toll agreement regarding the production of UHMWPE?						
	the raw m	naterials ar	Agreement between two firms whereby the first firm ("TOLLEE") furnishes and the second firm ("TOLLER") uses the raw materials to produce a product to the first firm with a charge for processing costs, overhead, etc.					
	☐ Nosk	ip to next	question.					
			agreements entered into by your firm, please indicate whether your firm ler or tollee.					
	Ou	r firm	Other firm(s)					
	Toller		Please name the tollee(s):					
	Tollee	1 2	Please name the toller(s):					
	¹ Ident	ify the raw	material input(s) that your firm provided the toller(s):					
	² Share	of net sal	es accounted for by toll agreement(s) in 2019:%					
	"! sp m	 (a) Firm's FTZ operationsDoes your firm produce UHMWPE in and/or admit UHMWPE into a foreign trade zone (FTZ)? "Foreign trade zone" is a designated location in the United States where firms utilize special procedures that allow delayed or reduced customs duty payments on foreign merchandise. A foreign trade zone must be designated as such pursuant to the rules and procedures set forth in the Foreign-Trade Zones Act. 						
	No	Yes	If yesDescribe the nature of your firm's operations in FTZs and identify the specific FTZ site(s).	′				
	in	(b) Other firms' FTZ operationsTo your knowledge, do any firms in the United States import UHMWPE into a foreign trade zone (FTZ) for use in distribution of UHMWPE and/or the production of downstream articles?						
	No	Yes	If yesIdentify the firms and the FTZs.					
	L	1						

- II-7. **Production, shipment, and inventory data**.--Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of UHMWPE in its U.S. establishment(s) during the specified periods.
 - "Average production capacity" or "capacity" The level of production that your establishment(s) could reasonably have expected to attain during the specified periods. Assume normal operating conditions (i.e., using equipment and machinery in place and ready to operate; normal operating levels (hours per week/weeks per year) and time for downtime, maintenance, repair, and cleanup; and a typical or representative product mix).
 - "Production" All production in your U.S. establishment(s), including production consumed internally within your firm and production for another firm under a toll agreement.
 - "Commercial U.S. shipments" Shipments made within the United States as a result of an arm's length commercial transaction in the ordinary course of business. Report <u>net values</u> (i.e., gross sales values less all discounts, allowances, rebates, prepaid freight, and the value of returned goods) in U.S. dollars, f.o.b. your point of shipment.
 - "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 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-7. Production, shipment, and inventory data.--Continued

Quantity (in pounds) and value (in dollars)						
		Calendar year Jar				
ltem	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020	
Average production capacity ¹ (quantity) (A)						
Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (B)						
Production (quantity) (C)						
U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D)						
Value (E)						
Internal consumption: ² Quantity (F)						
Value² (G)						
Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H)						
Value² (I)						
Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J)						
Value (K)						
End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L)						
¹ The production capacity reported is based methodology used to calculate production capacity internal consumption and transfers to relations basis for valuing these transactions in your received the data provided above in this table should be included above in this table should be denoted by Jennicipal export market	acity, and explated firms must bords, please speed based on fair n	in any changes in be valued at fair r cify that basis (e.	reported capa market value. I	city f your firm uses	a different	

<u>RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, PRODUCTION, AND INVENTORY.</u>--Generally, the data reported for the end-of-period inventories (i.e., line L) should be equal to the beginning-of-period inventories (i.e., line B), plus production (i.e., line C), less total shipments (i.e., lines D, F, H, and J). Please ensure that any differences are not due to data entry errors in completing this form, but rather reflect your firm's actual records; and, also provide explanations for any differences (e.g., theft, loss, damage, record systems issues, etc.) if they exist.

	Calendar year			January-September		
Reconciliation	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020	
B + C - D - F - H - J - L = should equal						
zero ("0") or provide an explanation.1	0	0	0	0	0	

¹ Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate:_____.

II-8. <u>Channels of distribution</u>.--Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e. inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) by channel of distribution in the specified periods.

		Calendar year			eptember	
Item	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020	
		Quantity (in pounds), value (in dollars)				
U.S. shipments: to Distributors Quantity (M)						
Value (N)						
to End users Quantity (O)						
Value (P)						

<u>RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS.</u>--Please ensure that the quantities and values reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines M through P) in each time period equal the quantities and values reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines D through I) in each time period from question II-7. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

		Calendar year	January-September		
Reconciliation item	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020
Quantity: $M + O - D - F - H = zero$					
("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0	0	0
Value: $N + P - E - G - I = zero ("0"), if$					
not revise.	0	0	0	0	0

II-9. <u>U.S. shipments by molecular weight</u>.--Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e. inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) by molecular weight during the specified periods.

	Calendar year			January-September	
Item	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020
	Quantity (in pounds), value (in dollars)				
U.S. shipments:					
Low Molecular Weight:1					
In packaging less than 100 kg ⁴ Quantity (Q)					
Value (R)					
In packaging from 100 kg to 1,000 kg ⁵					
Quantity (S)					
Value (T)					
In packaging over 1,000 kg ⁶					
Quantity (U)					
Value (V)					
Medium Molecular Weight: ²					
In packaging less than 100 kg ⁴					
Quantity (W)					
Value (X)					
In packaging from 100 kg to 1,000 kg ⁵ <i>Quantity (Y)</i>					
Value (Z)					
In packaging over 1,000 kg ⁶					
Quantity (AA)					
Value (AB)					
High Molecular Weight: ³ In packaging less than 100 kg ⁴					
Quantity (AC)					
Value (AD)					
In packaging from 100 kg to 1,000 kg ⁵					
Quantity (AE)					
Value (AF)					
In packaging over 1,000 kg ⁶ <i>Quantity (AG)</i>					
Value (AH)					

¹ UHMWPE, with an average molecular weight/volume less than 6.7 x 10⁶g/mol.

 $^{^2}$ UHMWPE, with an average molecular weight/volume ranging from 6.7 x 10^6 to 7 x 10^6 g/mol (inclusive).

 $^{^3}$ UHMWPE, with an average molecular weight/volume greater than 7 x 10^6 g/mol.

⁴ Any packaging with a net weight of less than 100 kilograms.

⁵ Any packaging with a net weight of 100 kilograms up to and through 1,000 kilograms.

⁶ Any packaging with a net weight of more than 1,000 kilograms.

II-9. U.S. shipments by molecular weight.--Continued

<u>RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS BY MOLECULAR WEIGHT.</u>--Please ensure that the quantities and values reported for U.S. shipments by molecular weight (i.e., lines Q through AH) in each time period equal the quantities and values reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines D through I) in each time period from question II-7. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

		Calendar year	January-September		
Reconciliation item	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020
Quantity: Q + S + U + W+ Y + AA + AC + AE + AG - D - F - H = zero ("0"), if					
not revise.	0	0	0	0	0
Value: R + T + V + X + Z + AB + AD + AF + AH - E - G - I = zero ("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0	0	0

II-10. <u>Employment data</u>.--Report your firm's employment-related data related to the production of UHMWPE and provide an explanation for any trends in these data.

"Production and Related Workers" (PRWs) includes working supervisors and all nonsupervisory workers (including group leaders and trainees) engaged in fabricating, processing, assembling, inspecting, receiving, storage, handling, packing, warehousing, shipping, trucking, hauling, maintenance, repair, janitorial and guard services, product development, auxiliary production for plant's own use (e.g., power plant), recordkeeping, and other services closely associated with the above production operations. Average number employed may be computed by adding the number of employees, both full time and part time, for the 12 pay periods ending closest to the 15th of the month and divide that total by 12. For the January to September periods, calculate similarly and divide by 9.

"Hours worked" includes time paid for sick leave, holidays, and vacation time. Include overtime hours actually worked; do not convert overtime pay to its equivalent in straight time hours.

"Wages paid" –Total wages paid before deductions of any kind (e.g., withholding taxes, old-age and unemployment insurance, group insurance, union dues, bonds, etc.). Include wages paid directly by your firm for overtime, holidays, vacations, and sick leave.

	Calendar year			Calendar year January-September	
Item	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020
Average number of PRWs (number)					
Hours worked by PRWs (hours)					
Wages paid to PRWs (dollars)					

Explanation of trends:		

II-11.	the firm(s (e.g., joint value or b) and indic venture, v y a non-m	ate the nature on wholly owned subarket formula, w	of the relations ubsidiary), whe whether your fi	hip between yether the transform retained m	question II-7, ple our firm and the Ters were priced a arketing rights to s other than you	related firms at market all transfers,	
II-12.	2. <u>Purchases</u> Has your firm purchased UHMWPE produced in the United States or in other countries since January 1, 2017? (Do not include imports for which your firm was the importer of record. These should be reported in an importer questionnaire.)							
				action to buy product from a U.S. corporate entity such as another U.S. ibutor, or a U.S. firm that has directly imported the product.				
	"Import" record.	–A transac	tion to buy fron	n a foreign sup	plier where yo	ur firm is the imp	oorter of	
	No	Yes	If yesReport s for your firms'	-	s in the table b	elow and explain	n the reasons	
	Note: If your firm served as the importer of record for any purchases from foreign suppliers, either for your own account or as a service for another entity, those purchases are to be considered "imports" not "purchases" and should not be included in the table below							
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Calendar year				January-S	January-September			
Item			2017	2018	2019	2019	2020	
	ses from U	_						
importers ¹ of UHMWPE from:								
Korea								
All other sources								
Purchases from domestic producers ²								
Purchases from other sources ³								
supplier ² Ple	 Please list the name of the importer(s) from which your firm purchased this product. If your firm's import suppliers differ by source, please identify the source for each listed supplier: Please list the name of the U.S. producer(s) from which your firm purchased this product: Please list the name of the firm(s) from which your firm purchased this product: 							

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II-13. ImportsSince January 1, 2017, has your firm imported U	UHIVIWPE?
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No	Yes	
		If yes <u>COMPLETE AND RETURN A U.S. IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE</u>

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

PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Address questions on this part of the questionnaire to Jennifer Catalano (202-205-205)	56,
jennifer.catalano@usitc.gov).	

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	Name	
	Title	
	Email	<u> </u>
	Telephone	
III-2.	Accounting sy accounting sys	rstem.—Please provide the following information on your firm's financial stem.
	A.	When does your firm's fiscal year end (month and day)? If your firm's fiscal year changed during the data-collection period, explain below:
		NotePlease note that we are requesting that your firm report financial data a calendar year basis.
	B.1.	Describe the lowest level of operations (e.g., plant, division, company-wide) f which financial statements are prepared that include UHMWPE:
	2.	Does your firm prepare profit/loss statements for UHMWPE: Yes No
	3.	How often did your firm (or parent company) prepare financial statements (including annual reports, 10Ks)? Please check relevant items below. Audited, unaudited, annual reports, 10Ks, 10Qs, Monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, annually
	4.	Accounting basis: GAAP, cash, tax, or other comprehensive basis of accounting (specify)
	used ir regard submit profit-	As requested in Part I of this questionnaire, please keep all supporting documents/record the preparation of the financial data, as Commission staff may contact your firm ling questions on the financial data. The Commission may also request that your compart copies of the supporting documents/records (financial statements, including internal and-loss statements for the division or product group that includes UHMWPE, as well as a statements and worksheets) used to compile these data.
3.	cost, job orde	ng systemBriefly describe your firm's cost accounting system (e.g., standard r cost, etc.). If your firm uses standard cost, how often does your firm review n standard cost (e.g. monthly, yearly)?

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III-4.	Allocation basis and methodologyBriefly describe your firm's allocation basis, if any, for				
	COGS, SG&A, and interest expense and other income and expenses. Please also describe the				
	method and types of documents/records used to compile your financial data.				
	μ . ,				

III-5. **Product listing**.--Please list the products your firm produced in the facilities in which your firm produced UHMWPE and provide the share of net sales accounted for by these products in 2019.

Products	Share of sales in 2019
UHMWPE	%
HMWPE	%
	%
	%
	%

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

YesContinue to question III-7	No—Skip to question III-9a.

III-7. Inputs from related suppliers detailed.--Please identify the inputs used in the production of UHMWPE that your firm purchases from related suppliers and that are reflected in question III-9a. For "Share of total COGS" please report this information by relevant input in 2019. For "Input valuation" please describe the basis, as recorded in your company's own accounting system, of the purchase cost from the related supplier; e.g., the related supplier's actual cost, cost plus, negotiated transfer price to approximate fair market value.

Input	Related supplier	Share of total COGS in 2019		
Input valuation as recorded in the firm's accounting books and records:				

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

Yes	If noIn the space below, please report the valuation basis of inputs purchased from related suppliers as reported in question III-9a.

III-9a. Income statement on operations of UHMWPE.--Report the revenue and related cost information requested below on the UHMWPE operations of your firm's U.S. establishment(s). Do not report resales of products. Note that internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued at fair market value. Input purchases from related suppliers should be consistent with and based on information in the firm's accounting books and records. Provide data for 2017, 2018, and 2019, and for the specified interim periods. If your firm was involved in tolling operations (either as the toller or as the tollee), please contact Jennifer Catalano (jennifer.catalano@usitc.gov) before completing this section of the questionnaire.

	Quantity (in pour	nds), value (in de	ollars)		
	Calendar year			January-S	eptember
ltem	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020
Net sales quantities: ² Commercial sales ("CS")					
Internal consumption ("IC")					
Transfers to related firms ("Transfers")					
Total net sales quantities	0	0	0	0	0
Net sales values: ² Commercial sales					
Internal consumption					
Transfers to related firms					
Total net sales values	0	0	0	0	0
Cost of goods sold (COGS): ³ Ethylene					
Other raw materials					
Direct labor					
Other factory costs					
Total COGS	0	0	0	0	0
Gross profit or (loss)	0	0	0	0	0
Selling, general, and administrative ("SG&A") expenses					
Operating income (loss)	0	0	0	0	0
Other expenses and income: Interest expense					
All other expense items					
All other income items					
Net income or (loss) before income taxes	0	0	0	0	0
Depreciation/amortization included above					

¹ Include only sales (whether <u>domestic or export</u>) and costs related to your <u>U.S. manufacturing operations</u>.

Note -- The table above contains calculations that will appear when you have entered data in the MS Word form fields.

² Less discounts, returns, allowances, and prepaid freight. The quantities and values should approximate the corresponding shipment quantities and values reported in Part II of this questionnaire.

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

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III-9b.	Financial data checklist. Please check that the financial data in question III-9a have been
	correctly reported.

Confirm the following regarding your financial data in question III-9a:			
In actual pounds (not 1,000s)?			
In actual dollars (not 1,000s)?			
Include only the in-scope UHMWPE manufactured by your company?			
Did not include any resales of UHMWPE?			
IC and transfers to related firms reported at fair market value?			
Net Sales (CS, IC, and Transfers) exclude discounts, returns, allowances, prepaid freight, and all freight out to customers?			
COGS excludes finished goods freight to customers?			
SG&A excludes finished goods freight to customers?			
All costs exclude finished goods freight to customers?			
If you did not √ Yes in any of the boxes above, go back to V-9a and revise your responses.			

III-9c.	Financial data reconciliation The calculable line items from question III-9a (i.e., total net sales
	quantities and values, total COGS, gross profit (or loss), operating income (or loss), and net
	income (or loss)) have been calculated from the data submitted in the other line items. Do the
	calculated fields return the correct data according to your firm's financial records ignoring non-
	material differences that may arise due to rounding?

Yes	No	If noIf the calculated fields do not show the correct data, please double check the feeder data for data entry errors and revise. Also, check signs accorded to the post operating income line items; the two expense line items should report positive numbers (i.e., expenses are positive and incomes or reversals are negativeinstances of the latter should be rare in those lines) while the income line item also in most instances should have its value be a positive number (i.e., income is positive, expenses or reversals are negative). If after reviewing and potentially revising the feeder data your firm has provided, the differences between your records and the calculated fields persist please identify and discuss the differences in the space below.

III-9d. Effects on financial performance of COVID-19.-- Since January 1, 2020, has the COVID-19 pandemic or have any government actions taken to contain the spread of the COVID-19 virus affected the financial performance of your firm's operations on UHMWPE as reported in III-9a?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe these effects.		

III-9e. Ethylene procurement.—Approximate the share of your firm's procurement of ethylene for the production of UHMWPE in 2019 based on procurement method: (1) short-term contract basis, (2) annual contract basis, (3) long-term contract basis, (4) spot sales basis, or (5) internal production basis?

	Method of ethylene procurement					
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)	Spot sales (for a single delivery)	Internally produced (your own firm manufactures ethylene)	Total (should sum to 100.0%)
Share of 2019 ethylene procurement	%	%	%	%	%	0.0

III-9f. <u>Ethylene procurement contract provisions</u>.--Please fill out the table regarding your firm's typical purchase contracts for ethylene (or check "not applicable" if your firm does not sell on a short-term, annual and/or long-term contract basis).

Typical purchase 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	days	365 days	days		
Price renegotiation	Yes					
(during contract period) ¹	No					
	Quantity					
Fixed quantity and/or price	Price					
	Both					
Indexed to ethylene raw	Yes					
material costs ²	No					
Not applicable						
¹ If No, please explain: ² Please identify the indexes used: .						

III-9g.	Raw material cost managementGiven the information provided above (in question III-9d and
	III-9e), please briefly describe how your firm manages its raw material costs as it relates to the
	production of UHMWPE.

III-10. Nonrecurring items (charges and gains) included in the subject product financial results.--For each annual period for which financial results are reported in question III-9a, please specify all material (significant) nonrecurring items (charges and gains) in the schedule below, the specific question III-9a row letter where the nonrecurring items are included, a brief description of the relevant nonrecurring items, and the associated values (in \$1,000), as reflected in question III-9a; i.e., if an aggregate nonrecurring item has been allocated to question III-9a, only the allocated value amount included in question III-9a should be reported in the schedule below. Note: The Commission's objective here is to gather information only on material (significant) nonrecurring items which impacted the reported financial results of the subject product in question III-9a.

		Calendar year		January-S	eptember
Item	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020
		V	alue (in <i>dollars</i>)		
Nonrecurring item 1					
Nonrecurring item 2					
Nonrecurring item 3					
Nonrecurring item 4					
Nonrecurring item 5					
Nonrecurring item 6					
Nonrecurring item 7					

Nonrecurring item: In this table please provide a brief description of each nonrecurring item reported above and indicate the specific line item in table III-9a where the nonrecurring item is classified.

	Description of the nonrecurring item	Income statement classification of the nonrecurring item in III-9a
Nonrecurring item 1		
Nonrecurring item 2		
Nonrecurring item 3		
Nonrecurring item 4		
Nonrecurring item 5		
Nonrecurring item 6		
Nonrecurring item 7		

III-11.	Classification of identified nonrecurring items (charges and gains) in the accounting books and
	<u>records of the company</u> If non-recurring items were reported in question III-10 above, please
	identify where your company recorded these items in your accounting books and records in the normal course of business; i.e., just as responses to question III-10 identify where these items are reported in question III-9a.

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III-12a. <u>Asset values</u>.--Report the <u>total</u> assets (i.e., **both current and long-term assets**) associated with the production, warehousing, and sale of UHMWPE. If your firm does not maintain some or all of the specific asset information necessary to calculate total assets for UHMWPE in the normal course of business, please estimate this information based upon a method (such as production, sales, or costs) that is consistent with relevant cost allocations in question III-9a. Provide data for 2017, 2018, and 2019.

Note: Total assets should reflect <u>net assets</u> after any accumulated depreciation and allowances deducted. Total assets should be <u>allocated to UHMWPE</u> if these assets are also related to other products.

Value (in dollars)			
	Calendar year		
Item	2017	2018	2019
Total assets (net)			

III-12b.	Description of reported assets Please describe the main asset categories (both current and
	long-term assets) in the above response. Provide a brief explanation if there are any substantial
	changes in total asset value during the period; e.g., due to asset write-offs, revaluation, and
	major purchases.

III-13a. <u>Capital expenditures and research and development expenses</u>.--Report your firm's capital expenditures and research and development ("R&D") expenses for methionine. Provide data for 2017, 2018, 2019, and for the specified interim periods.

Value (in dollars)					
Calendar year		January-September			
ltem	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020
Capital expenditures					
R&D expenses					

III-13b.	<u>Description of reported capital expenditures</u> Please describe the nature, focus, and significance of your firm's reported capital expenditures. If no capital expenditure data are reported, please explain the reason.
III-13c.	<u>Description of reported R&D expenses</u> Please describe the nature, focus, and significance of your firm's reported R&D expenses. If no R&D expenses are reported, please explain the reason.

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III-14.	Assets, capital expenditures, and R&D checklistPlease check that the assets, capital
	expenditures, and R&D information are complete.

Confirm the following:	√ if Yes
Net assets (current and long-term) are completed for 2017, 2018, and 2019 in question III-12a?	
Top assets are listed in question III-12b?	
Substantial changes in assets are described in question III-12b, if applicable?	
Capital expenses are described in question III-13b?	
R&D are described in question III-13c?	
Provided explanations if your firm did not have capital expenditures or R&D?	
If you did not $\sqrt{\ Yes}$ in any of the boxes above, go back to questions III-12a, III-12b, III 13b, and/and III-13c and update your responses.	-13a, III-

III-15. Data completeness, consistency, and reconciliation.--

(a) For the data provided in "PART II: TRADE DATA" and "PART III: FINANCIAL DATA", please check that all responses, if relevant, were entered.

Confirm the following to ensure that your responses are complete for PART II and PART III:	√ if Yes
All five time periods requested have been filled out (no blank columns or rows) unless your firm was not a U.S. producer for that period?	
All footnotes, if relevant, have been filled out?	

(b) Please note that we are requesting your firm's financial data for questions III-9a, III-12a, and III-13a on a calendar year basis. Confirm that your firm reported these data on a calendar-year basis.

Yes	No	If no, please explain.

III-15. <u>Data completeness, consistency, and reconciliation</u>.--Continued

(c) <u>RECONCILIATION OF TRADE (PART II)</u> and <u>FINANCIAL DATA (PART III)</u>.--Please ensure that the quantities and values reported for total shipments in Part II equal the quantities and values reported for total net sales in Part III of this questionnaire in all time periods. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0") and both are being reported on a calendar basis, please explain the discrepancy below.

		Calendar year	•	January-S	eptember
Reconciliation	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020
Quantity: Trade data from question II-7 (rows D, F, H, and J) less financial total net sales quantity data from question III-9a (row D) = zero ("0").	0	0	0	0	0
Value: Trade data from question II-7 (rows E, G, I, and K) less financial total net sales value data from question III-9a (row H) = zero ("0").	0	0	0	0	0

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

Yes	No	If no, please explain.

Other

No	Yes		
		If yes, my firm has experienced a	ctual negative effects as follows.
	(ched	ck as many as appropriate)	(please describe)
		Cancellation, postponement, or rejection of expansion projects	
		Denial or rejection of investment proposal	
		Reduction in the size of capital investments	
		Return on specific investments negatively impacted	

III-17.	Effects of imports on growth and developmentSince January 1, 2016, has your firm
	experienced any actual negative effects on its growth, ability to raise capital, or existing
	development and production efforts (including efforts to develop a derivative or more advanced
	version of the product) as a result of imports of UHMWPE from Korea?

No	Yes				
		If yes, my firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows.			
	•				
	(ched	ck as many as appropriate)	(please describe)		
		Rejection of bank loans			
		Lowering of credit rating			
		Problem related to the issue of stocks or bonds			
		Ability to service debt			
		Other			

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III-18.	Anticipated effects of imports Does your firm anticipate any negative effects due to imports of
	UHMWPE from Korea?

No	Yes	If yes, my firm anticipates negative effects as follows.

III-19.	Other explanations.—If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part III: Financial Information for which a narrative box was not provided, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below. Please also use this space to highlight any issues your firm had in providing the data in this section, including but not limited to technical issues with the MS Word questionnaire.

PART IV.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Kyle Westmoreland (202-205-2184, kyle.westmoreland@usitc.gov).

IV-1. <u>Contact information.</u>--Please identify the individual that Commission staff may contact regarding the confidential information submitted in Part IV.

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	

PRICE DATA

- IV-2. This question requests quarterly quantity and value data for your firm's commercial shipments to unrelated U.S. customers since January 1, 2017 of the following products produced by your firm.
 - **Product 1.-**-UHMWPE, with an average molecular weight/volume ranging from 6.7×10^6 to 7×10^6 g/mol based on the producer's advertised testing methodology; in individual packaging with a net weight of 25 kg.
 - **Product 2.**--UHMWPE, with an average molecular weight/volume ranging from 6.7×106 to 7×106 g/mol based on the producer's advertised testing methodology; in supersacks with net weight ranging from 453 kg to 550 kg, shipped in quantities less than 59 MT.
 - **Product 3.-**-UHMWPE, with an average molecular weight/volume ranging from 6.7 x 106 to 7 x 106g/mol based on the producer's advertised testing methodology; in bulk packaging with a net pallet weight of 130,000 lbs (59 MT) to 140,000 lbs (63.5 MT).
 - **Product 4.-**-UHMWPE, with an average molecular weight/volume ranging from 8.7×106 to 9×106 g/mol based on the producer's advertised testing methodology; in supersacks with net weight ranging from 453 kg to 550 kg, shipped in quantities less than 59 MT.
 - **Product 5.--**UHMWPE, with an average molecular weight/volume ranging from 8.7×106 to 9×106 g/mol based on the producer's advertised testing methodology; in bulk packaging with a net pallet weight of 130,000 lbs (59 MT) to 140,000 lbs (63.5 MT).

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

IV-2a. During January 2017-September 2020, did your firm produce and sell to unrelated U.S. customers any of the above listed products (or any products that were competitive with these products)?

YesPlease complete the following pricing data table as appropriate.			
NoSkip to question IV-3.			

IV-2b. <u>Price data</u>.--Report below the quarterly price data¹ for pricing products² produced and sold by your firm.

Report data in *pounds* (not 1,000s) and *dollars* (not 1,000s).

(Quantity in pounds, value in dollars)							
	Produ	Product 1		Product 2		Product 3	
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	
2017:							
January-March							
April-June							
July-September							
October-December							
2018:							
January-March							
April-June							
July-September							
October-December							
2019:							
January-March							
April-June							
July-September							
October-December							
2020:							
January-March							
April-June							
July-September							

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.

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

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Product 2:

Product 3:

 $^{^{\}rm 2}$ Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part IV.

III-2b. Price data. (continued)

Report data in *pounds* and *dollars*.

	(Quantity in)	pounds, value in d	dollars)			
Product 4 Product 5						
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value		
2017:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2018:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2019:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
October-December						
2020:						
January-March						
April-June						
July-September						
1 Net values (i.e. gross sale	or values loss all discoun	ts allowances rehate	os propaid froight and the	value of rotur		

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.

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:

 $^{^{2}\,\}mbox{Pricing}$ product definitions are provided on the first page of Part IV.

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

	Are the price data reported above:	√ if Yes			
	In actual dollars (not 1,000s)?				
	In actual pounds (not 1,000s)?				
	F.o.b. U.S. point of shipment (i.e., does not include U.S. transport costs)?				
	Net of all discounts and rebates?				
	Have discounts, rebates, and returns been credited to the quarter in which the sale occurred?				
	Quantities do not exceed commercial shipments in question II-7 in each year?				
	Explanation(s) for any boxes not checked:				
IV-2d.					

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

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IV-3.	Price setting How does your firm determine the prices that it charges for sales of UHMWPE
	(check all that apply)? If your firm issues price lists, please submit sample pages of a recent list.

Transaction by transaction	Contracts	Set price lists	Other	If other, describe

IV-4. **Discount policy.--**

(a) Please indicate and describe your firm's discount and rebate policies, (check all that apply).

Quantity	Annual total volume	No policy	Other	Describe

(b) If you have discounts or rebates please describe these, including what determines if a purchaser gets a discount and when the discounts and rebates are applied (at the point of sale or at a point in time).

Describe		

IV-5. **Pricing terms.**-- On what basis are your firm's prices of domestic UHMWPE usually quoted *(check one)*?

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

IV-6. <u>Contract versus spot.</u>--Approximately what share of your firm's sales of its U.S.-produced UHMWPE in 2019 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)	Total (shoul sum to 100.0%	d o
Share of 2019 sales	%	%	%	%	0.0	%

IV-7. <u>Contract provisions.</u>-- Please fill out the table regarding your firm's typical sales contracts for U.S.-produced UHMWPE (or check "not applicable" if your firm does not sell on a short-term, annual and/or long-term contract basis).

Typical sales contract provisions	Item	Short-term contracts (multiple deliveries for less than 12 months)	Annual contracts (multiple deliveries for 12 months)	Long-term contracts (multiple deliveries for more than 12 months)
Average contract duration	No. of days		365	
Price renegotiation	Yes			
(during contract period) ¹	No			
	Quantity			
Fixed quantity and/or price	Price			
aa, e. pee	Both			
Indexed to raw	Yes			
material costs ²	No			
Not applicab	le			
¹ If No, please explain: ² Please identify the indexes used:				

IV-8. <u>Lead times.</u>-- What share of your firm's sales is from inventory and produced to order and what is the typical lead time between a customer's order and the date of delivery for your firm's sales of its U.S.-produced UHMWPE?

Source	Share of 2019 sales	Lead time (Average number of days)
From inventory	%	
Produced to order	%	
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %	

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IV-9. Shipping information.	
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(a)	Who generally arranges the transportation to your firm's customers' local	ations?
	Your firm Purchaser (check one)	

(b) Indicate the approximate percentage of your firm's sales of UHMWPE that are delivered the following distances from its production facility.

Distance from production facility	Share
Within 100 miles	%
101 to 1,000 miles	%
Over 1,000 miles	%
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %

IV-10. <u>Geographical shipments.--</u> In which U.S. geographic market area(s) has your firm sold its U.S.-produced UHMWPE since January 1, 2017 (check all that apply)?

Geographic area	√ if applicable
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.	

IV-11.	Inland transportation costs. — What is the approximate percentage of t	he cost of U.Sproduced
	UHMWPE that is accounted for by U.S. inland transportation costs?	percent

IV-12. <u>End uses.--</u> List the end uses of the UHMWPE that your firm manufactures. For each end-use product, what percentage of the <u>total cost</u> is accounted for by UHMWPE and other inputs?

	Share of total cost of end use product accounted for by		- Total
End-use product	UHMWPE	Other inputs	(should sum to 100.0% across)
	%	%	0.0 %
	%	%	0.0 %
	%	%	0.0 %

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

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

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IV-15.	<u>Product changes.</u> Have there been any significant changes in the product range, produ	ct mix,
	or marketing of UHMWPE since January 1, 2017?	

No	Yes	If yes, please describe and quantify if possible.

IV-16. Conditions of competition.--

(a) Is the UHMWPE market subject to business cycles (other than general economy-wide conditions) and/or other conditions of competition distinctive to UHMWPE? If yes, describe.

Check all th	nat apply.	Please describe.
	No	Skip to question IV-17.
	Yes-Business cycles (e.g. seasonal business)	
	Yes-Other distinctive conditions of competition	

(a) If yes, have there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of competition for UHMWPE since January 1, 2017?

No	Yes	If yes, describe.

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IV-17.	Supply constraints Has your firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply UHMWPE 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.

IV-18. Raw materials.-- How have UHMWPE raw material prices changed since January 1, 2017?

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 UHMWPE.

IV-19. <u>Interchangeability</u>.-- Is UHMWPE 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	Korea	Other countries				
United States						
Korea						
For any country-pair producing UHMWPE that is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>never</i> interchangeable, identify the country-pair and explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use:						

IV-20. Factors other than price.-- Are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, etc.) between UHMWPE 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	Korea	Other countries			
United States					
Korea					
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 UHMWPE, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or					

disadvantages imparted by such factors:

IV-21. <u>Customer identification.</u>— List the names and contact information for your firm's 10 largest U.S. customers for UHMWPE since January 1, 2017. Indicate the share of the quantity of your firm's total shipments of UHMWPE that each of these customers accounted for in 2019.

	Customer's name	City	State	Share of 2019 sales (%)
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				
9				
10				

IV-22. Competition from imports.--

(a) <u>Lost revenue</u>.-- Since January 1, 2017: To avoid losing sales to competitors selling UHMWPE from Korea, did your firm:

Item	No	Yes	
Reduce prices			
Roll back announced price increases			

(b) <u>Lost sales.</u>-- Since January 1, 2017: Did your firm lose sales of UHMWPE to imports of this product from Korea?

No	Yes

IV-23.	Other explanations If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part
	IV for which a narrative response box was not provided, please note the question number and
	the explanation in the space provided below. Please also use this space to highlight any issues
	your firm had in providing the data in this section, including but not limited to technical issues
	with the MS Word questionnaire.

HOW TO FILE YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE

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

https://usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2020/ultra high molecular weight polyethyle ne korea/final.htm

Please do not attempt to modify the format or permissions of the questionnaire document. Please submit the completed questionnaire using one of the methods noted below. If your firm is unable to complete the MS Word questionnaire or cannot use one of the electronic methods of submission, please contact the Commission for further instructions.

• <u>Upload via Secure Drop Box</u>.—Upload the MS Word questionnaire along with a scanned copy of the signed certification page (page 1) through the Commission's secure upload facility:

Web address: https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/ Pin: UHMWPE

• E-mail.—E-mail the MS Word questionnaire to andres.andrade@usitc.gov; include a scanned copy of the signed certification page (page 1). Submitters are strongly encouraged to encrypt nonpublic documents that are electronically transmitted to the Commission to protect your sensitive information from unauthorized disclosure. The USITC secure drop-box system and the Electronic Document Information System (EDIS) use Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 140-2 cryptographic algorithms to encrypt data in transit. Submitting your nonpublic documents by a means that does not use these encryption algorithms (such as by email) may subject your firm's nonpublic information to unauthorized disclosure during transmission. If you choose a non-encrypted method of electronic transmission, the Commission warns you that the risk of such possible unauthorized disclosure is assumed by you and not by the Commission.

If your firm does not produce this product, please fill out page 1, print, sign, and submit a scanned copy to the Commission.

<u>Parties to this proceeding</u>.—If your firm is a party to this proceeding, it is required to serve a copy of the completed questionnaire on parties to the proceeding that are subject to administrative protective order (see 19 CFR § 207.7). A list of such parties may be obtained from the Commission's Secretary (202-205-1803). A certificate of service must accompany the completed questionnaire you submit (see 19 CFR § 207.7). Service of the questionnaire must be made in paper form.