U.S. PURCHASERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

INVESTIGATION TITLE

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by <u>DATE</u>

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The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its review of the countervailing duty/antidumping duty order concerning #abbrproduct from #ctrysubs (inv. No. 701/731-TA-xxx (Review)). 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 ECONOMIST (202-205-xxxx, NAME@usitc.gov).

Name of firm

City									
G.C.,			State		Zip Co	de			
Website _									
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PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

Background.—On Date, the Department of Commerce ("Commerce")/the Treasury issued a countervailing duty order/an antidumping duty order/suspended an investigation on imports of #abbrproduct from #ctrysubs. On Date, the Commission instituted a review pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)) (the Act) to determine whether revocation of the order/termination of the suspended investigation would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to the domestic industry within a reasonably foreseeable time. If both the Commission and Commerce make an affirmative determination, the order/suspension agreement will remain in place. If either the Commission or Commerce makes a negative determination, Commerce will revoke the order/terminate the suspension agreement. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at LINK.

#abbrproduct covered by these investigations is . . . COMMERCE SCOPE LANGAUGE

#abbrproduct is/are currently imported under statistical reporting numbers XXXX.XXXXX of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). It/They may also be imported under HTSUS statistical reporting number XXXX.XXXXXX. The HTSUS provisions are for convenience and customs purposes; the written description of the scope is dispositive.

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

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 in connection with this proceeding (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 of your 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.

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produce #	#abbrpro	_	nim nave any related iin	ms, either domestic or foreign, th
☐ No		YesList th	e following information.	
Firm nam	ne and co	untry	Country	Affiliation
		•		nave a business plan or any interr narket conditions for #abbrprodu
		escribe, discu	uss, or analyze expected n	narket conditions for #abbrprodu

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. Purchases.—

(a) Please estimate your firm's total U.S. purchases of #abbrproduct in #termyear. (Do not include imports for which your firm was the importer of record; such imports should be reported in your U.S. importer's questionnaire.)

Quantity (#units)	

(b) Estimate the percentage of the quantity of your firm's purchases of #abbrproduct in #termyear that were produced in each of the specified countries.

#abbrproduct produced in:	Share of quantity of #termyear purchases
United States	%
#ctrysubA	%
#ctrysubB	%
#ctrysubC	%
All other countries:1	%
Sources unknown	%
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %
¹ Please identify these countries:	

II-2.	<u>Purchas</u>	ases before and after order. (This q only for first reviews)						
	(a)	Did your firm purchase #abbrproduct from #ctrysubs before #bopyear?						
		☐ Noskip to (c) ☐ Yes						
		If yes, has your pattern of purchasing #abbrproduct from #ctrysubs changed si #bopyear?						
			No, our pattern of purchasing is essentially unchanged.					
			Yes, we discontinued purchases from #ctrysubs because of the order.					
			Yes, we reduced purchases from #ctrysubs because of the order.					
		Yes, but we changed the pattern of purchases from #ctrysubs for re than the order (please explain below).						
		-	ur pattern of purchasing #abbrproduct from nonsubject foreign sources (i.e., ies other than #ctrysubs) changed since #bopyear?					
			We did not purchase from nonsubject foreign sources before or after the order.					
	No, our pattern of purchasing is essentially unchanged.							
	Yes, we increased purchases from nonsubject foreign sources because order.							
			Yes, but we changed our pattern of purchases from nonsubject foreign sources for reasons other than the order (please explain below).					

II-3.	Changes in purchasing patternsPlease indicate how the shares of your firm's purchases of
	#abbrproduct from different sources have changed since January 1. #bopyear.

Source of purchases	Did not purchase	Decreased	Increased	Constant	Fluctuated	Explanation for trend
United States						
#ctrysubA						
#ctrysubB						
#ctrysubC						
All other countries						
Sources unknown						

II-4. <u>Country knowledge.</u>--Please indicate the countries of origin with which your firm has experience or information in the #abbrproduct market.

United States	#ctrysubA	#ctrysubB	#ctrysubC	Other countries	Other countries (specify)

II-5. <u>Supplier identification</u>.--Please list your firm's <u>FIVE</u> largest suppliers for #abbrproduct since January 1, #bopyear. Also, provide the share of the quantity of your firm's total purchases of #abbrproduct that each of these suppliers accounted for in #termyear.

No.	Supplier's name	City and state	Share of quantity of #termyear 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 #abbrproduct
	(check all that apply)?

End user (type 1)	End user (type 2)	Distributor	Other	Describe other

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

III-2.	Competition for salesDo you compete for sales to your customers with the manufacturers or
	importers from which you purchase #abbrproduct?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe.

III-3.	Types of customersWhat are the major types of consumers to which you sell #abbrprod	duct?

	nges in end uses	No	Yes			Explain	
	Changes since January 1, #bopyear						
Anti	cipated changes						
<u>Dem</u>	and for end-use	oroduct	<u>:s</u>				
(a) Has the deman since January 1		-		m's fi	inal products inc	orporating #abbrprodu	ct changed
	Increased	No	chang	ge	Decreased	Fluctuated	
(b)	(b) Has this had an		effect on your firm's demand for #abbrproduct?				
	No Y	'es				Explain	
			•		•	er or types of products Do you anticipate any	
Cha	nges in substitut	es No	Yes			Explain	
Cna		l					
Chai	nges since Januar oopyear	у Ц					

III-7. <u>Demand trends.</u>--Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for #abbrproduct has changed since January 1, #bopyear, and how you anticipate demand will change in the future. Explain any trends and describe the principal factors that have affected, and that you anticipate will affect, these changes in demand.

Market	Overall increase	No change	Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explanation and factors	
	Demand since January 1, #bopyear					
Within the United States						
Outside the United States						
	Anticipated future demand					
Within the United States						
Outside the United States						

- III-8. Market studies.--Please provide as a separate attachment to this request any studies, surveys, etc. that you are aware of that quantify and/or otherwise discuss #abbrproduct supply (including production capacity and capacity utilization) and demand in (1) the United States, (2) each of the other major producing/consuming countries, including #ctrysubs, and (3) the world as a whole. Of particular interest is such data from #bopyear to the present and forecasts for the future.
- III-9. <u>Country preferences.</u>--Do you or your customers ever specifically order #abbrproduct from one country in particular over other possible sources of supply?

No	Yes	If yes, identify the countries and explain.

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III-10.	Importance of purchasing domestic productPlease fill out the table below, estimating the
	percentage of your firm's total #termyear purchases of #abbrproduct that required
	#abbroroduct produced in the United States.

	Estimated percentage of your firm's total #termyear purchases of #abbrproduct
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-11. Conditions of competition.--

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

Check all th	at apply.	Please describe.
	No	Skip to question III-12.
	Yes-Business cycles (e.g. seasonal business)	
	Yes-Other distinctive conditions of competition	

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

No	Yes	If yes, describe.

III-12.	Decisions based on producer and country-of-originHow often does your firm, and if you					
	know, do your customers, make purchasing decisions involving #abbrproduct based on its					
	producer or country of origin?					

	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-13. <u>Availability of supply</u>.--Has the availability of #abbrproduct in the U.S. market changed since January 1, #bopyear? Do you anticipate any future changes?

Availability in the U.S.			Please explain, noting the countries and reasons for the			
market	No	Yes	changes.			
Changes since January 1, ‡	Changes since January 1, #bopyear:					
U.Sproduced product						
Imports from #ctrysubs						
Imports from all other countries						
Anticipated changes:						
U.Sproduced product						
Imports from #ctrysubs						
Imports from all other countries						

III-15. <u>Availability of specific product types</u>.--Are certain grades/types/sizes of #abbrproduct only available from certain country sources?

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

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III-16.	#abbrpi "contro	Supply constraintsHas any firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply your firm with #abbrproduct since January 1, #bopyear (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	Ye	s If	yes,	please desc	cribe.				
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III-17.	<u>Purchas</u>	sing freq	uency.							
	(a)	How fre	quently	y do	you make p	ourchases of #	‡abbrproduc	t (check o	one)?	
		Daily	Week	dy	Monthly	Quarterly	Annually	Other	If other, specify	
	(b)	Do you	expect	this	purchasing	frequency to	change in th	ie next tw	vo years?	
		No	Yes	If	yes, explain	1.				
III-18.	Raw ma	aterial p	rices.—	-						
	(a)	(a) Is your firm familiar with the prices for raw materials used in the production of #abbrproduct?								
		N	0	Υ	'es – please	answer (b)	7			
]				
		(b) Has information on raw material prices affected your firm's negotiations or contracts to purchase #abbrproduct since #bopyear?								
		No	Yes	Expl	ain					

III-19. Number of suppliers contacted.--How many suppliers do you generally contact before making a

purchase? Between _____ and _____ firms.

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III-20.		<u>r negotia</u> n supplie			our firm's purchases of #abbrproduct usually involve negot aser?	iations	
	No	Yes	-	-	lain the factors you generally negotiate and note whether es competing prices during negotiations.	your	
III-21.	<u>Change</u>	in suppl	i <u>ers</u> Ha	as yo	our firm changed suppliers since January 1, #bopyear?		
	No	Yes	_	-	ase list the supplier(s), whether the firm was added or dropeasons for the change.	pped,	
III-22.	New su	ppliers					
	(a) Are you aware of any new suppliers, either foreign or domestic, that have entermarket since January 1, #bopyear?						
		No	Yes	If y	es, please identify the firms.		
	(b)	Do you e	expect n	ew i	#abbrproduct suppliers to enter the U.S. market?		
		No	Yes	If y	es, please explain.		
III-23.	 Supplier qualification Do you require your suppliers to be or to become certified or qual to sell #abbrproduct to your firm? If yes, provide the following information. The number of days to qualify a new supplier. 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.). 						
	No	Yes	Num of da		Process and factors		

III-24.	Failure to certifySince January 1, #bopyear, have any domestic or foreign producers failed in
	their attempts to certify or qualify their #abbrproduct with your firm or have any producers lost
	their approved status?

No	If yes, please identify these firms, the countries where they are located, and the reasons why they failed the certification/qualification.

III-25.	Major purchasing factorsPlease list, in order of their importance, the three major factors your
	firm considers in deciding from whom to purchase #abbrproduct (examples include availability,
	extension of credit, contracts, price, quality, range of supplier's product line, traditional supplier,
	etc.).

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

III-26. <u>Purchasing factors.</u>--Please rate the importance of the following factors in your firm's purchasing decisions for #abbrproduct.

Factor	Very important	Somewhat important	Not important
Availability			
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			

8.			often does #abbr your uses or your		•	ountries meet	: minimu		
	Source		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Rarely or never	Don't know		
	United States								
	#ctrysubA								
	#ctrysubB								
	#ctrysubC								
	Other:								
9.	<u>Frequency of decisions based on price</u> How often does your firm purchase the #abbrproduct that is offered at the lowest price?								
	Alway	s	Usually	S	ometimes	Never			
	Price leadersA 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 #abbrproduct market since January 1, #bopyear.								

II-31.	Change	Changes in U.S. industry						
	(a)	Please identify and discuss any improvements/changes in the U.S. #abbrproduct industry since January 1, #bopyear and explain the factors, including the order(s) under review, that were responsible for each improvement/change.						
	(b)	Please discuss any improvements/changes that you anticipate in the future in the U.S. #abbrproduct industry. Identify the time period and causes for these improvements/changes.						

III-32. Effect of revocation of orders.--What do you think will be the effects on your firm and on the U.S. market of any revocation of the countervailing duty order/antidumping duty order on imports of #abbrproduct from #ctrysubs?

PART IV.--PRODUCT COMPARISIONS

IV-1. <u>Interchangeability.--</u>Is #abbrproduct 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	#ctrysubA	#ctrysubB	#ctrysubC	Other countries
United States				
#ctrysubA				
#ctrysubB				
#ctrysubC				
For any country-pair producing #abbrproduct which is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>never</i> interchangeable,				

For any country-pair producing #abbrproduct which is *sometimes* or *never* interchangeable, please identify the country-pair and explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use:

IV-2. <u>Factors other than price.</u>--Are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, *etc.*) between #abbrproduct 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	#ctrysubA	#ctrysubB	#ctrysubC	Other countries
United States				
#ctrysubA				
#ctrysubB				
#ctrysubC				

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

IV-3. <u>Factor country comparisons.</u>--For the factors listed below, please rate how #abbrproduct produced in each country you identified in your response to question <u>II-4</u> compares with #abbrproduct produced in each of the other countries you identified. <u>Duplicate</u> (copy and paste) this table to account for a reasonable number of country comparisons given the number of countries subject to the review and delete this note.

If you are unfamiliar with the product from a particular country, please leave the boxes for those country comparisons blank.

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Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability									
Delivery terms									
Delivery time									
Discounts offered									
Minimum quantity requirements									
Packaging									
Payment terms									
Price ¹									
Product consistency									
Product range									
Quality meets industry standards									
Quality exceeds industry standards									
Reliability of supply									
Technical support/service									
U.S. transportation costs ¹									
¹ A rating of superior on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower									

¹ A rating of superior on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

IV-3. **Continued.**

If you are unfamiliar with the product from a particular country, please leave the boxes for those country comparisons blank.

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Factor	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability									
Delivery terms									
Delivery time									
Discounts offered									
Minimum quantity requirements									
Packaging									
Payment terms									
Price ¹									
Product consistency									
Product range									
Quality meets industry standards									
Quality exceeds industry standards									
Reliability of supply									
Technical support/service									
U.S. transportation costs ¹									

¹ A rating of superior on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

IV-4.	Change	in price

(a)	Since January 1,	#bopyear, ha	as there been a	a change in the	e price of	#abbrproduct?
(/					-	

Source	Yes (also respond to question part (b))	No (If "No" for all countries, skip to next question)
United States		
#ctrysubA		
#ctrysubB		

(b) If your firm responded "yes" to any of the above countries, please describe how the price of U.S.-produced #abbrproduct has changed relative to the price of imported #abbrproduct from #ctrysubs.

Country	Prices changed by the same percent	Price of U.Sproduced #abbrproduct is now relatively higher	Price of U.Sproduced #abbrproduct is now relatively lower
#ctrysubA			
#ctrysubB			

PART V.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

V-1.	Other explanationsIf 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 40 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering data, and completing and reviewing the questionnaire.

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

HOW TO FILE YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE

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

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: XXXX

• E-mail.—E-mail the MS Word questionnaire to NAME@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.

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<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.