U.S. PRODUCERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

SILICON METAL FROM BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA, ICELAND, KAZAKHSTAN, AND MALAYSIA

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by <u>January 8, 2021</u>. See last page for filing instructions.

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its countervailing duty investigation concerning silicon metal from Kazakhstan and the antidumping duty investigations concerning silicon metal from Bosnia-Herzegovina, Iceland, and Malaysia (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-652 and 731-TA-1524-1526 (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 fi	irm			
Address				
City		State	_ Zip Code	
Website				
Has your fire	m produced silicon metal (as defined on	next page) at a	any time since January 1, 2018	?
NO NO	(Sign the certification below and promptly return only this page of the questionnaire to the Commission)			
YES	(Complete all parts of the questionnaire, and return the entire questionnaire to the Commission)			
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CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information herein supplied in response to this questionnaire is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and understand that the information submitted is subject to audit and verification by the Commission. By means of this certification I also grant consent for the Commission, and its employees and contract personnel, to use the information provided in this questionnaire and throughout this proceeding in any other import-injury proceedings conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that information submitted in response to this request for information and throughout this proceeding or other proceedings may be disclosed to and used: (i) by the Commission, its employees and Offices, and contract personnel (a) for developing or maintaining the records of this or a related proceeding, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, reviews, and evaluations relating to the programs, personnel, and operations of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3; or (ii) by U.S. government employees and contract personnel, solely for cybersecurity purposes. I understand that all contract personnel will sign appropriate nondisclosure agreements.

Name of Authorized Official	Title of Authorized Official	Date	

Signature

Email address

PART I. — GENERAL INFORMATION

Background.--This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed on June 30, 2020, by Globe Specialty Metals, Inc., Beverly, Ohio, and Mississippi Silicon LLC, Burnsville, Mississippi. Countervailing/antidumping duties may be assessed on the subject imports as a result of these proceedings if the Commission makes an affirmative determination of injury, threat, or material retardation, and if the U.S. Department of Commerce ("Commerce") makes an affirmative determination pertinent to this proceeding are available at:

https://usitc.gov/investigations/701731/2020/silicon metal bosnia and herzegovina iceland/final.htm

<u>Silicon metal</u> covered by these investigations is all forms and sizes of silicon metal, including silicon metal powder. Silicon metal contains at least 85.00 percent but less than 99.99 percent silicon, and less than 4.00 percent iron, by actual weight. Semiconductor grade silicon (merchandise containing at least 99.99 percent silicon by actual weight and classifiable under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) statistical reporting number 2804.61.0000) is excluded from the scope of this investigation.

Silicon metal is currently classifiable under statistical reporting numbers 2804.69.1000 and 2804.69.5000 of the HTSUS. While the HTSUS numbers are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope remains dispositive.

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

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

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

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

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

I-1a. **OMB statistics**.--Please report below the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of completing this questionnaire.

Hours	Dollars	

The questions in this questionnaire have been reviewed with market participants to ensure that issues of concern are adequately addressed and that data requests are sufficient, meaningful, and as limited as possible. Public reporting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average 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. <u>TAA information release</u>.--In 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?

Yes	🗌 No
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I-2a. <u>Establishments covered</u>.--Provide 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 silicon metal, 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				
4				
5				
6				
¹ Additional discussion on establishments consolidated in this questionnaire:				

- I-2b. <u>Stock symbol information.</u>-- If your firm or parent firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol: _____.
- I-2c. **External counsel.**-- If your firm or parent firm is represented by external counsel in relation to this proceeding, please specify the name of the law firm and the lead attorney(s).

Law firm:	
Lead attorney(s):	

I-3. **Petitioner status.**--Is your firm a petitioner in this proceeding or a member firm of the petitioning entity?

No	Yes	

Country	Investigation type	Support	Oppose	Take no position
Bosnia-Herzegovina	AD			
Iceland	AD			
Kazakhstan	CVD			
Malaysia	AD			

I-4. <u>Petition support</u>.--Does your firm support or oppose the petition?

I-5. **Ownership**.--Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm?

🗌 No

Yes--List the following information, relating to the ultimate parent/owner.

Firm name	Country	Extent of ownership (<i>percent</i>)

- I-6. **Related importers/exporters**.--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in importing silicon metal from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Kazakhstan, and Malaysia into the United States or that are engaged in exporting silicon metal from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Kazakhstan, and Malaysia to the United States?
 - No

Yes--List the following information.

Firm name	Country	Affiliation

I-7. **<u>Related producers</u>**.--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that are engaged in the production of silicon metal?

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🗌 No
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Yes--List 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 Lawrence Jones (202-205-3358, <u>lawrence.jones@usitc.gov</u>). **Supply all data requested on a** <u>calendar-year</u> basis.

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

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	

II-2a. <u>Changes in operations</u>.--Please indicate whether your firm has experienced any of the following changes in relation to the production of silicon metal since January 1, 2018.

(chec	k as many as appropriate)	(If checked, please describe the nature, date(s), and significance of any such reported changes as well as the business reasons for them; leave completely 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. **<u>COVID-19 pandemic.--</u>** 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, employment, and sales relating to silicon metal?

No	Yes	If yes, describe these changes including a separate discussion of the (a) supply chain impact, (b) production and sales 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 silicon metal, 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.

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II-3a. Production using same machinery.—

Quantity (short tons)				
	Calendar year			
Item	2018	2019	2020	
Overall production capacity ¹				
Production of: Silicon metal on a contained silicon basis ²				
Weight of other elements				
Silicon metal on a total weight basis	0	0	0	
Out-of-scope products: Ferrosilicon				
All other products ³				
Total production using same machinery or workers				
 ¹ Data reported for capacity (first line) should ² Data entered for production of silicon meta ³ Please identify these products: 				

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

Hours per week	Weeks per year

- II-3c. **Capacity calculation.--**Please describe the methodology used to calculate overall production capacity reported in II-3a, and explain any changes in reported capacity.
- II-3d. **Production constraints**.--Please describe the constraint(s) that set the limit(s) on your firm's production capacity.

II-4. <u>Product shifting</u>.—

(a) Is your firm able to switch production (capacity) between silicon metal and other products using the same equipment and/or labor?

No	Yes	If yes—(i.e., have produced other products or are able to produce other products) Please identify other actual or potential products.

- (b) Please describe the factors that affect your firm's ability to shift production capacity between products (e.g., time, cost, relative price change, etc.), and the degree to which these factors enhance or constrain such shifts.
- (c) Did your firm at any time since January 1, 2018 switch production on the same furnaces from silicon metal production to ferrosilicon production, or the reverse?

No	Yes	If yes —Please disucss each instance of your firms;s retooling of any furance between silcion metal and ferrosilicon production since January 1, 2018 include in this discussion the specific month and year of the retooling and the amount of capacity that was added or removed from silicon metal production.

- II-4d. **Details of product shifting**.—Did your firm at any time since January 1, 2018 switch productiion on the same furnaces from silicon metal production to ferrosilicon production, or the reverse?
 - No Yes-- then for each instance of a shift please answer the following questions: (1) identify the specific month and year when the capacity was shifted ("period"); (2) identify whether the shift was from silicon metal to ferrosilicon or from ferrosilicon to silicon metal ("direction"), (3) identify the capacity of the furnaces shifted ("capacity"); (4) identify how many days it took to make the transition ("days"); (5) identify the cost of the shift in U.S. dollars ("cost"), and (6) provide a detailed explanation of the reason or purpose of the capacity shift ("reason").

ltem	First (1) shift	Second (2) shift
Period		
Direction		
Capacity		
Days		
Costs		
Reason		

ltem	Third (3) shift	Fourth (4) shift
Period		
Direction		
Capacity		
Days		
Costs		
Reason		

ltem	Fifth (5) shift	Sixth (6) shift
Period		
Direction		
Capacity		
Days		
Costs		
Reason		

Additional shifts

II-5. **Tolling**.--Since January 1, 2018, has your firm been involved in a toll agreement regarding the production of silicon metal?

"Toll agreement"--Agreement between two firms whereby the first firm furnishes the raw materials and the second firm uses the raw materials to produce a product that it then returns to the first firm with a charge for processing costs, overhead, etc.

No	Yes	If yesPlease describe the toll arrangement(s) and name the firm(s) involved.

II-6. Foreign trade zones.--

(a) <u>**Firm's FTZ operations**</u>.--Does your firm produce silicon metal in and/or admit silicon metal 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	If yesDescribe the nature of your firm's operations in FTZs and identify the specific FTZ site(s).

(b) <u>Other firms' FTZ operations</u>.--To your knowledge, do any firms in the United States import silicon metal into a foreign trade zone (FTZ) for use in distribution of silicon metal and/or the production of downstream articles?

No	Yes	If yesIdentify the firms and the FTZs.

II-7. **Production, shipment, and inventory data**.--Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of silicon metal 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 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

	Calendar year		
Item	2018	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)			
Value ² (G)			
Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H) Value ² (I)			
Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J)			
Value (K)			
End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L)			
¹ The production capacity reported is based on oper the methodology used to calculate production capacity ² Internal consumption and transfers to related firm different basis for valuing these transactions in your re However, the data provided above in this table ³ Identify your firm's principal export markets:	y, and explain any o s must be valued a cords, please spec	changes in reported cap t fair market value. If y ify that basis (e.g., cost	oacity our firm uses a

<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		
Reconciliation	2018	2019	2020
B + C - D - F - H - J - L = should equal zero ("0") or provide an explanation. ¹	0	0	0
¹ Explanation if the calculated fields above are retu accurate:	urning values other tha	an zero (i.e., "0") but	t are nonetheless

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.

Quantity (<i>in short tons contained silicon</i>) and value (in \$1,000)				
	Calendar year			
Item	2018	2019	2020	
U.S. shipments:				
to Distributors:				
Quantity (M)				
Value (N)				
to Polysilicon and chemical producers:				
Quantity (O)				
Value (P)				
to Primary aluminum producers:				
Quantity (Q)				
Value (R)				
to Secondary aluminum producers:				
Quantity (S)				
Value (T)				
to All other end users ¹ :				
Quantity (U)				
Value (V)				

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

	Calendar year		
Reconciliation	2018	2019	2020
Quantity: $M + O + Q + S + U - D - F - H = zero$ ("0"), if not revise.	0	0	0
Value: N + P + R + T + V – E – G – I = zero ("0"), if			
not revise.	0	0	0

II-9a. U.S. shipments by product type.--Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e. inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) by product type in the specified periods.

<u>High purity grade silicon metal</u>.--Silicon metal with a silicon (Si) content greater than or equal to 99.1, iron (Fe) content less than or equal to 0.30, aluminum (Al) content less than or equal to 0.30, calcium (Ca) content less than or equal to 0.05, titanium (Ti) content less than or equal to 0.05, and a carbon (C) content less than or equal to 0.15.

<u>Metallurgical grade silicon metal</u>.--Silicon metal that does not meet either the definition of (a) high purity grade silicon metal (defined above).

Quantity (in short tons contained silicon) and value (in \$1,000)				
	Calendar year			
ltem	2018	2019	2020	
U.S. shipments High purity grade silicon metal <i>Quantity</i> (W)				
Value (X)				
Metallurgical grade silicon metal <i>Quantity</i> (Y)				
Value (Z)				

<u>RECONCILIATION OF US SHIPMENTS BY PRODUCT TYPE</u>.--Please ensure that the quantities and values reported for U.S. shipments by product type (i.e., lines W through Z) in each time period equal the quantities and values reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines D through I) in question II-7 in each time period. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "O"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

	Calendar year		
Reconciliation	2018	2019	2020
Quantity: $W + Y - D - F - H = zero ("0")$, if not			
revise.	0	0	0
Value: $X + Z - E - G - I = zero ("0"), if not$			
revise.	0	0	0

II-9b. **Customer requirements**.—What are the customer(s) requirements for high purity silicon metal?

II-10. <u>Employment data</u>.--Report your firm's employment-related data related to the production of silicon metal 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.

"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 years		
Item	2018	2019	2020
Average number of PRWs (number)			
Hours worked by PRWs (1,000 hours)			
Wages paid to PRWs (\$1,000)			

Explanation of trends:

II-11. <u>Related firms</u>.--If your firm reported transfers to related firms in question II-7, please identify the firm(s) and indicate the nature of the relationship between your firm and the related firms (e.g., joint venture, wholly owned subsidiary), whether the transfers were priced at market value or by a non-market formula, whether your firm retained marketing rights to all transfers, and whether the related firms also processed inputs from sources other than your firm.

II-12. <u>Purchases</u>.--Has your firm purchased silicon metal produced in the United States or in other countries since January 1, 2018? (Do not include imports for which your firm was the importer of record. These should be reported in an importer questionnaire.)

"Purchase" – A transaction to buy product from a U.S. corporate entity such as another U.S. producer, a U.S. distributor, or a U.S. firm that has directly imported the product.

"Import" –A transaction to buy from a foreign supplier where your firm is the importer of record.

No	Yes	If yesReport such purchases in the table below and explain the reasons for your firms' purchases.

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

Quantity (<i>in sho</i>	ort tons containe	ed silicon)	
	Calendar year		
ltem	2018	2019	2020
Purchases from U.S. importers ¹ of silicon			
metal from—			
Bosnia-Herzegovina			
Iceland			
Kazakhstan			
Malaysia			
All other sources			
Purchases from domestic producers ²			
Purchases from other sources ³			
¹ Please list the name of the importer(s) from w suppliers differ by source, please identify the source			your firm's import

² Please list the name of the U.S. producer(s) from which your firm purchased this product: _____.

³ Please list the name of the firm(s) from which your firm purchased this product: _____

II-13. Imports.--Since January 1, 2018, has your firm imported silicon metal?

No	Yes	
		If yes <u>COMPLETE AND RETURN A U.S. IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE</u>

II-14. <u>Captive production use</u>.--Please report the share of your firm's 2020 internal consumption and/or transfers to related firms for the uses identified below. These data should reconcile with the 2019 quantities reported in question II-7 (lines F and H).

Products	Internal consumption 2020 (units)	Transfers to related firms 2020 (units)	
Sold as is (Re-entry into merchant market)	NA		
Used in the production of downstream products ¹			
Other dispositions ²			
¹ Please describe the downstream products produced (either by your own firm in the case of internal consumption or your related firm(s) in the case of transfers): ² Please the disposition (e.g., destruction, loss or theft, et cetera):			

<u>RECONCILIATION OF CAPTIVE PRODUCTION USE</u>.--The sum of the data reported above should be equal to the data reported in lines F and H of question II-7 in 2020.

Reconciliation	Calendar year 2020
Internal consumption (line F in II-7) reconciliation.	0
Transfers to related parties (line H in II-7) reconciliation.	0

Note.--Please work to the best of your ability with any related firm(s) to provide these data if your firm reported "transfers to related firms".

- II-15. <u>Silicon metal's share of the downstream product(s) produced</u>.--If your firm reported that your firm's silicon metal was used in the production of downstream products in question II-14, please provide the following data on the share that silicon metal accounts for of the downstream product(s).
 - a) The 1st largest (based on total silicon metal used) downstream product produced (by your firm or a related firm) is: _____. This product accounted for approximately what percentage of the data "used in the production of downstream products" reported in question II-14 above: _____ percent.

Material inputs used in this downstream product's production	Share of <u>value</u> (percent)	Share of <u>quantity</u> based on short tons (percent)
Silicon metal		
All other material inputs		
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0	0.0

b) The 2nd largest (based on total silicon metal used) downstream product produced (by your firm or a related firm) is: _____. This product accounted for approximately what percentage of the data "used in the production of downstream products" reported in question II-14 above: _____percent.

Material inputs used in this downstream product's production	Share of <u>value</u> (percent)	Share of <u>quantity</u> based on short tons (percent)
Silicon metal		
All other material inputs		
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0	0.0

c) The 3rd largest (based on total silicon metal used) downstream product produced (by your firm or a related firm) is: _____. This product accounted for approximately what percentage of the data "used in the production of downstream products" reported in question II-14 above: _____percent.

Material inputs used in this downstream product's production	Share of <u>value</u> (percent)	Share of <u>quantity</u> based on short tons (percent)
Silicon metal		
All other material inputs		
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0	0.0

Note.--Please work to the best of your ability with any related firm(s) to provide these data if your firm reported "transfers to related firms".

II-16. <u>Other explanations</u>.--If 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 AUDITOR (202-xxx-xxxx, NAME@usitc.gov).

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

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	

- III-2. <u>Accounting system</u>.—Please provide the following information on your firm's financial accounting system.
 - 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:

Note.--Please note that we are requesting that firms report their financial data on a calendar year basis.

- B.1. Describe the lowest level of operations (e.g., plant, division, company-wide) for which financial statements are prepared that include silicon metal:
 - Does your firm prepare profit/loss statements for silicon metal:
 Yes
 No
 - 3. How often did your firm (or parent company) prepare financial statements (including annual reports, 10Ks)? Please check relevant items below.

audited,	🗌 una	udited,	annual reports,	10Ks,	10 C	Ìs,
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monthly, guarterly, semi-annually, annually
 Accounting basis: U.S. GAAP, IFRS, cash, tax, or other comprehensive basis of accounting (specify)

Note: As requested in Part I of this questionnaire, please keep all supporting documents/records used in the preparation of the financial data, as Commission staff may contact your firm regarding questions on the financial data. The Commission may also request that your company submit copies of the supporting documents/records (financial statements, including internal profit-and-loss statements for the division or product group that includes silicon metal, as well as specific statements and worksheets) used to compile these data.

III-3. <u>Cost accounting system</u>.--Briefly describe your firm's cost accounting system (e.g., standard cost, job order cost, etc.).

- III-4. <u>Allocation basis</u>.--Briefly describe your firm's allocation basis, if any, for COGS, SG&A, and interest expense and other income and expenses.
- III-5. **Product listing**.--Please list the products your firm produced in the facilities in which your firm produced silicon metal and provide the share of net sales accounted for by these products in 2020.

Products	Share of sales
Silicon metal	%
Ferrosilicon	%
	%
	%
	%

III-6. <u>Inputs from related suppliers</u>.--Does your firm purchase inputs (raw materials, labor, energy, or any services) used in the production of silicon metal 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-7a. Inputs from related suppliers detailed.--Please identify the inputs used in the production of silicon metal that your firm purchases from related suppliers and that are reflected in question III-9a. For "Share of total 2020 COGS" please report this information by relevant input. 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.

_		Share of total 2020
Input	Related supplier	COGS
		%
		%
		%
		20
		%
Input valuation a	as recorded in the firm's accounting book	s and records

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

Yes	No	If noIn the space below, please report the valuation basis of inputs purchased from related suppliers as reported in question III-9a.

III-8. **<u>Byproducts</u>**.—Does your firm have any byproduct sales revenue associated with its silicon metal operations? If yes, identify the relevant byproduct(s) in the space below. If no, please continue to question III-9a.

Yes 🗌	🗌 No			

III-9a. Total market operations on silicon metal.--Report the revenue and related cost information requested below on the silicon metal operations of your firm's U.S. establishment(s).¹ Do not report resales of products. Note that internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued at fair market value. Transfer values for silicon metal sales to a joint venture partner should reflect the relevant partner price. Input purchases from related suppliers should be consistent with and based on information in the firm's accounting books and records. Provide data for the specified calendar years.

Calendar year						
ltem	2018 2019 2020					
Net sales quantities: ²						
Commercial sales ("CS")						
Internal consumption ("IC")						
Transfers to related firms and joint venture partner ("Transfers")						
Total net sales quantities	0	0	C			
Net sales values: ² Commercial sales						
Internal consumption						
Transfers to related firms and joint venture partner						
Total net sales values	0	0	C			
Cost of goods sold (COGS): ³ Raw materials						
Electricity						
Direct labor						
Other factory costs						
Less: Byproduct revenue						
Total COGS	0	0	C			
Gross profit or (loss)	0	0	C			
Selling, general, and administrative (SG&A) expenses						
Operating income (loss)	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	C			
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>.

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>.

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

III-9b. Open market operations on silicon metal.--Report the revenue and related cost information requested below on the silicon metal operations of your firm's U.S. establishment(s).¹ Do not report resales of products. <u>Transfer values for silicon metal sales to a joint venture partner should reflect the relevant partner price</u>. Input purchases from related suppliers should be consistent with and based on information in the firm's accounting books and records. Provide data for the specified calendar years.

	Calendar year						
ltem	2018	2019	2020				
Commercial sales quantities: ²	0	0	0				
Commercial sales values: ²	0	0	0				
Cost of goods sold (COGS): ³ Raw materials							
Electricity							
Direct labor							
Other factory costs							
Less: Byproduct revenue							
Total COGS	0	0	0				
Gross profit or (loss)	0	0	0				
Selling, general, and administrative (SG&A) expenses							
Operating income (loss)	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				

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

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. Commercial sales quantities and values in this table will auto populate from the corresponding amounts reported in table III-9a.

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

III-9c. <u>Financial data reconciliation</u>.--The calculable line items, as applicable, from question III-9a and III-9b (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	Νο	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. **Raw materials**.--Please report the share of total raw material costs in 2020 (reported in III-9a) for the following raw material inputs:

		Procureme	ent method
Input	Share of total 2020 raw material costs (<i>percent</i>)	Primarily produced by your firm	Primarily purchased by your firm
Quartz			
Carbonaceous reductants (e.g., coal, charcoal, petroleum coke, other)			
Bulking agents (e.g., wood chips, other)			
Electrodes			
Other material inputs ¹			
Total (should sum to 100 percent)	0.0		
¹ Please indicate any other notable "other" raw materials not expressly identified above and provide the share of the total raw material costs that they account for:			

III-9e. <u>Effects on financial performance of COVID-19</u>-- Please explain how the COVID-19 pandemic has affected the financial performance of your firm's operations on silicon metal as reported in III-9a and III-9b.

III-10. Nonrecurring items (charges and gains) included in the subject product financial results.--For each calendar year 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 line item 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	
ltem	2018	2019	2020
		Value (<i>\$1,000</i>)	
Nonrecurring item 1			
Nonrecurring item 2			
Nonrecurring item 3			
Nonrecurring item 4			
Nonrecurring item 5			
Nonrecurring item 6	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
Nonrecurring item 1		
Nonrecurring item 2		
Nonrecurring item 3		
Nonrecurring item 4		
Nonrecurring item 5		
Nonrecurring item 6		
Nonrecurring item 7		

- III-11. <u>Classification of identified nonrecurring items (charges and gains) in the accounting books and 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.
- 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 silicon metal. If your firm does not maintain some or all of the specific asset information necessary to calculate total assets for silicon metal 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 as of the end of the specified calendar years.

Note: Total assets should reflect <u>net assets</u> after any accumulated depreciation and allowances deducted.

Total assets should be <u>allocated to the subject products</u> if these assets are also related to other products. Please provide a <u>brief explanation if there are any substantial changes</u> in total asset value during the period; e.g., due to asset write-offs, revaluation, and major purchases.

Value (<i>in \$1,000</i>)			
	Calendar year		
Item	2018	2019	2020
Total assets (net)			

III-12b. <u>Description of reported assets</u>.--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 expenses for silicon metal. Provide data for the specified calendar years.

Value (<i>in \$1,000</i>)			
	Calendar year		
Item	2018	2019	2020
Capital expenditures			
Research and development			
expenses			

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

III-14. Data consistency and reconciliation.--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. Please confirm that your firm reported these data on a calendar-year basis:

Yes	No	If no, please explain.

Please note the quantities and values reported in question III-9a should reconcile with the data reported in question II-7 (including export shipments) as long as they are reported on the same calendar year basis.

<u>RECONCILIATION OF TRADE VS FINANCIAL DATA</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 each time period. 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 years			
Reconciliation	2018	2019	2020	
Quantity: Trade data from question II-7 (lines D, F, H, and J) less financial total net sales quantity data from question III-9a, = zero ("0").	0	0	0	
Value: Trade data from question II-7 (lines E, G, I, and K) less financial total net sales value data from question III-9a, = zero ("0").	0	0	0	

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

Yes	No	If no, please explain.

If your responses to any of the items in questions III-15, III-16, and III-17 differ by country, please describe these differences and, as applicable, indicate which country or countries your response refers to in the relevant form fields.

III-15. <u>Effects of imports on investment</u>.--Since January 1, 2018, has your firm experienced any actual negative effects on its return on investment or the scale of capital investments as a result of imports of silicon metal from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Kazakhstan, and Malaysia?

No	Yes	
		If yes, my firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows.

(check	k 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	
	Other	

III-16. Effects of imports on growth and development.--Since January 1, 2018, 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 silicon metal from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Kazakhstan, and Malaysia?

No	Yes	
		If yes, my firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows.

(check	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	

III-17. <u>Anticipated effects of imports</u>.--Does your firm anticipate any negative effects due to imports of silicon metal from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Kazakhstan, and Malaysia?

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

III-18. <u>Other explanations</u>.--If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part III 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 Economist (202-xxx-xxxx, NAME@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, 2018 of the following products produced by your firm.
 - **Product 1.--** Sold to primary aluminum producers; silicon metal less than 99.99% pure that contains a minimum of 98.5% silicon, a maximum of 1.00% iron, a maximum of 0.07% calcium, and no restriction of the aluminum content.
 - Product 2.-- Sold to secondary aluminum producers; silicon metal less than 99.99% pure that contains a minimum of 97.0% silicon, a maximum of 2.00% iron, a maximum of 0.4% calcium, and no restriction of the aluminum content.
 - **Product 3.--** Sold to chemical and/or polysilicon manufacturers; silicon metal less than 99.99% pure that contains a minimum of 98.0% silicon, a maximum of 1.50% iron, a maximum of 0.2% calcium, and a maximum of 0.4% aluminum.

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

IV-2a. During January 2018-December 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. **Price data.-**-Report below the quarterly price data¹ for pricing products² produced and sold by your firm.

Report data in *short tons contained silicon* and *actual dollars* (not 1,000s).

	(Quantity i	n short tons co	ontained silicon,	value <i>in dolla</i>	rs)	
	Product 1		Prod	uct 2	Product 3	
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
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						
October-December						
¹ Net values (i.e., gross sa firm's U.S. point of shipment. F ² Pricing product definitio	Please subtract any	discounts, rebate	es, and returns from		-	
NoteIf your firm's product d description of your firm's prod	•	• •		•		provide a

Product 1:

Product 2:

Product 3:

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 (<i>not</i> \$1,000) and short tons contained silicon?	
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. **Pricing data methodology.--**Please describe the method and the kinds of documents/records that were used to compile your price data.

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

IV-3. **Price setting.--**How does your firm determine the prices that it charges for sales of silicon metal (*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.--**Please indicate and describe your firm's discount policies (*check all that apply*).

Quantity discounts	Annual total volume discounts	No discount policy	Other	Describe

IV-5. **Pricing terms.--**On what basis are your firm's prices of domestic silicon metal 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 silicon metal in 2018, 2019, and 2020 were on a (1) short-term contract basis, (2) annual contract basis, (3) long-term contract basis, and (4) spot sales basis?

	Type of sale					
Item	Short-term contracts (multiple deliveries for less than 12 months)	Annual contracts (multiple deliveries for 12 months)	Long-term contracts (multiple deliveries for more than 12 months)	Spot sales (for a single delivery)	Tota l (shoul sum to 100.0%	d o
Share of 2018 sales	%	%	%	%	0.0	%
Share of 2019 sales	%	%	%	%	0.0	%
Share of 2020 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 silicon metal (or check "not applicable" if your firm does not sell on a short-term, annual and/or long-term contract basis).

Typical sales contract provisions	ltem	Short-term contracts (multiple deliveries for less than 12 months)	Annual contracts (multiple deliveries for 12 months)	Long-term contracts (multiple deliveries for more than 12 months)	
Average contract duration	No. of days		365		
Price renegotiation	Yes				
(during contract period)	No				
	Quantity				
Fixed quantity and/or price	Price				
	Both				
Indexed to publicly	Yes				
available silicon metal prices ¹	No				
	Product 1				
Share of specific products with	Product 2				
indexed ¹ prices	Product 3				
(percent)	All other products				
Not applicab	Not applicable				
¹ 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 silicon metal?

Source	Share of 2020 sales	Lead time (Average number of days)
From inventory	%	
Produced to order	%	
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %	

IV-9. Shipping information.--

- (a) Who generally arranges the transportation to your firm's customers' locations? Your firm Purchaser (check one)
- (b) Indicate the approximate percentage of your firm's sales of silicon metal 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 silicon metal since January 1, 2018 (check all that apply)?

Geographic area	v 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 SouthwestAR, 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. <u>Inland transportation costs.</u>—What is the approximate percentage of the cost of U.S.-produced silicon metal that is accounted for by U.S. inland transportation costs? _____ percent

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

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

IV-13. Substitutes.--Can other products be substituted for silicon metal?

🗌 No

Yes--Please fill out the table.

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

IV-14. <u>Demand trends</u>.--Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for silicon metal has changed since January 1, 2018. Explain any trends and describe the principal factors that have affected these changes in demand.

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

IV-15. **Product changes.--**Have there been any significant changes in the product range, product mix, or marketing of silicon metal since January 1, 2018?

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

IV-16. Conditions of competition.--

(a) Is the silicon metal market subject to business cycles and/or other conditions of competition distinctive to silicon metal? If yes, describe.

Check all that apply.		Please describe.
	No	Skip to question IV-16.
	Yes-Business cycles (e.g. seasonal business)	
	Yes-Other distinctive conditions of competition	

(b) If yes, have there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of competition for silicon metal since January 1, 2018?

No	Yes	If yes, describe.

IV-17. Supply constraints.--Has your firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply silicon metal since January 1, 2018 (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 silicon metal raw material prices changed since January 1, 2018?

Raw material	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 silicon metal.
Quartz					
Carbonaceous reductants					
Bulking agents					
Other materials					

IV-19. **Interchangeability.--**Is silicon metal 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	Bosnia- Herzegovina	Iceland	Kazakhstan	Malaysia	Other countries	
United States						
Bosnia- Herzegovina						
Iceland		\searrow				
Kazakhstan		\searrow	\searrow			
Malaysia		\searrow	\searrow			
For any country-pair producing silicon metal which is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>never</i> interchangeable, please 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 silicon metal 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	Bosnia- Herzegovina	Iceland	Kazakhstan	Malaysia	Other countries		
United States							
Bosnia- Herzegovina							
Iceland							
Kazakhstan							
Malaysia							
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 purchases of silicon metal, 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 silicon metal since January 1, 2018. Indicate the share of the quantity of your firm's total shipments of silicon metal that each of these customers accounted for in 2020.

	Customer's name	City	State	Share of 2020 sales (%)
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				
9				
10				

IV-22. Competition from imports.--

(a) <u>Lost revenue</u>.--Since January 1, 2018: To avoid losing sales to competitors selling silicon metal from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Kazakhstan, and Malaysia, did your firm:

Item	No	Yes
Reduce prices		
Roll back announced price increases		

(b) <u>Lost sales</u>.--Since January 1, 2018: Did your firm lose sales of silicon metal to imports of this product from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Kazakhstan, and Malaysia?

No	Yes	

IV-23. <u>Other explanations</u>.--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:

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• <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:

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

Parties to this proceeding.—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.