

U.S. PURCHASERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

CHASSIS AND SUBASSEMBLIES FROM CHINA

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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 countervailing duty and antidumping investigations concerning certain chassis and subassemblies thereof ("chassis") from China (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-657 and 731-TA-1537 (Final)). The information requested in the questionnaire is requested under the authority of the Tariff Act of 1930, title VII. This report is mandatory and failure to reply as directed can result in a subpoena or other order to compel the submission of records or information in your possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)). Further information on this questionnaire can be obtained from John Benedetto (202-205-3270, john.benedetto@usitc.gov).

Name of firm _____		
Address _____		
City _____	State _____	Zip Code _____
Website _____		
Has your firm purchased, or imported for its own use or retail sale, chassis or in-scope subassemblies (as defined on next page) from <u>any</u> source (domestic or foreign) at any time since January 1, 2018?		
<input type="checkbox"/> NO	(Sign the certification below and promptly return only this page of the questionnaire to the Commission)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 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 submitting 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

Phone

Email address

PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

Background.-- This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed on July 30, 2020, by the Coalition of American Chassis Manufacturers, consisting of Cheetah Chassis Corporation, Fairless Hills, Pennsylvania, Hercules Enterprises, LLC, Hillsborough, New Jersey, Pitts Enterprises, Inc., Pittsview, Alabama, Pratt Industries, Inc., Bridgman, Michigan, and Stoughton Trailers, LLC, Stoughton, Wisconsin. Countervailing and/or antidumping duties may be assessed on the subject imports as a result of these proceedings if the Commission makes an affirmative determination of injury, threat, or material retardation, and if the U.S. Department of Commerce ("Commerce") makes an affirmative determination of subsidization and/or dumping. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at LINK.

Chassis covered by these investigations are chassis and subassemblies thereof, whether finished or unfinished, whether assembled or unassembled, whether coated or uncoated, regardless of the number of axles, for carriage of containers, or other payloads (including self-supporting payloads) for road, marine roll-on/roll-off (RORO) and/or rail transport. Chassis are typically, but are not limited to, rectangular framed trailers with a suspension and axle system, wheels and tires, brakes, a lighting and electrical system, a coupling for towing behind a truck tractor, and a locking system or systems to secure the shipping container or containers to the chassis using twistlocks, slide pins or similar attachment devices to engage the corner fittings on the container or other payload.

Subject merchandise includes, but is not limited to, the following subassemblies:

- Chassis frames, or sections of chassis frames, including kingpins or kingpin assemblies, bolsters consisting of transverse beams with locking or support mechanisms, goosenecks, drop assemblies, extension mechanisms and/or rear impact guards;
- Running gear assemblies or axle assemblies for connection to the chassis frame, whether fixed in nature or capable of sliding fore and aft or lifting up and lowering down, which may or may not include suspension(s) (mechanical or pneumatic), wheel end components, slack adjusters, axles, brake chambers, locking pins, and tires and wheels;
- Landing gear (legs) or landing gear assemblies, for connection to the chassis frame, capable of supporting the chassis when it is not engaged to a tractor; and
- Assemblies and/or components that connect to the chassis frame or a section of the chassis frame, such as, but not limited to, pintle hooks or B-trains (which include a fifth wheel), which are capable of connecting a chassis to a converter dolly or another chassis.

Importation of any of these subassemblies, whether assembled or unassembled, constitutes an unfinished chassis for purposes of this investigation.

Subject merchandise also includes chassis, whether finished or unfinished, entered with or for further assembly with components such as, but not limited to: Hub and drum assemblies, brake assemblies (either drum or disc), axles, brake chambers, suspensions and suspension components, wheel end components, landing gear legs, spoke or disc wheels, tires, brake control systems, electrical harnesses and lighting systems.

Processing of finished and unfinished chassis and components such as trimming, cutting, grinding, notching, punching, drilling, painting, coating, staining, finishing, assembly, or any other processing either in the country of manufacture of the in-scope product or in a third country does not remove the

product from the scope. Inclusion of other components not identified as comprising the finished or unfinished chassis does not remove the product from the scope.

This scope excludes dry van trailers, refrigerated van trailers and flatbed trailers. Dry van trailers are trailers with a wholly enclosed cargo space comprised of fixed sides, nose, floor and roof, with articulated panels (doors) across the rear and occasionally at selected places on the sides, with the cargo space being permanently incorporated in the trailer itself. Refrigerated van trailers are trailers with a wholly enclosed cargo space comprised of fixed sides, nose, floor and roof, with articulated panels (doors) across the rear and occasionally at selected places on the sides, with the cargo space being permanently incorporated in the trailer and being insulated, possessing specific thermal properties intended for use with self-contained refrigeration systems. Flatbed (or platform) trailers consist of load-carrying main frames and a solid, flat or stepped loading deck or floor permanently incorporated with and supported by frame rails and cross members.

The finished and unfinished chassis subject to this investigation are typically classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) at subheadings 8716.39.00 or 8716.90.50 (statistical reporting numbers 8716.39.0090 or 8716.90.5060). Imports of finished and unfinished chassis may also be reported under HTSUS statistical reporting number 8716.90.5010. While the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise under investigation is dispositive.

Purchaser.--Any firm engaged, either directly or through a parent company or subsidiary, in purchasing chassis from another firm that produces, imports, or otherwise distributes chassis.

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

Confidentiality.--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.

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.

I-1a. **Establishments covered.**--Provide the name and address of your U.S. establishment(s) covered by this questionnaire, if different from that listed on the cover page. **Firms operating more than one establishment should combine the data for all establishments into a single response.**

"Establishment"--Each facility of a firm involved in the purchase of chassis, including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.

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I-1b. **Stock symbol information.**-- If your firm or parent firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol: _____.

I-1c. **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-2. **Ownership.**--Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm?

No Yes--List the following information, relating to the ultimate parent/owner.

Firm name	Country	Extent of ownership (percent)

I-3. **Related importers/exporters.**--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, which import chassis into the United States or which export chassis to the United States?

No Yes--List the following information.

Firm name	Country	Affiliation

I-4. **Related producers.**--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, which produce chassis?

No Yes--List the following information.

Firm name	Country	Affiliation

PART II.--PURCHASES

Contact information.--Please identify the responsible individual and the manner by which Commission staff may contact that individual regarding the confidential information submitted in this questionnaire.

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	

II-1. **Purchases and imports.**--Report separately your firm's domestic purchases and imports of chassis.

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

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

Item	2018	2019	2020
	Quantity (in units)		
Purchases of chassis produced in—			
United States			
China			
All other countries ¹			
Sources unknown ²			
Total purchases	0	0	0
Imports of chassis from—			
China			
All other countries ¹			
Total imports ³	0	0	0
¹ Please identify these countries: _____. ² Please indicate the firm(s) from which you purchased this merchandise: _____. ³ If your firm imported chassis at any time since January 1, 2018, please also complete and return a U.S. importers' questionnaire in this proceeding.			

II-2. **Changes in purchasing patterns.**--Please indicate how the shares of your firm's purchases of chassis from different sources have changed since January 1, 2018.

Source of purchases	Did not purchase	Decreased	Increased	Constant	Fluctuated	Explanation for trend
United States	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
China	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
All other countries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sources unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

II-3. **Country knowledge.**--Please indicate the countries of origin with which your firm has experience or information in the chassis market.

United States	China	Other countries	Other countries (specify)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

II-4. **Supplier identification.**--Please list your firm's **FIVE** largest suppliers for chassis since January 1, 2018. Also, provide the share of the quantity of your firm's total purchases of chassis that each of these suppliers accounted for in 2020.

No.	Supplier's name	City and state	Share of quantity of 2020 purchases
1			%
2			%
3			%
4			%
5			%

PART III.--MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES

III-1. **Firm type.**--Which of the following best describes your firm as a purchaser of chassis (check all that apply)?

End user/ trucking	Leasing firm (leases chassis)	Distributor/ dealer	Other	Describe other
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

If your firm is a distributor and/or dealer of chassis, please answer questions III-2 through III-3.

III-2. **Competition for sales.**--Does your firm compete for sales to customers with the manufacturers or importers from which your firm purchases chassis?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-3. **Types of customers.**--What are the major types of consumers to which your firm sells chassis?

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III-4. **End uses.**--List the top 3 products or services your firm provides using chassis (for example, intermodal transport services) and estimate the percent of your total production cost that is accounted for by chassis and by other inputs (such as labor, energy, and other raw materials).

Product(s) or services your firm produces	Share of total cost in each of the product(s) or services your firm produces accounted for by				Total (should sum to 100.0% across)
	Chassis		Other inputs		
	%	+	%	=	0.0 %
	%	+	%	=	0.0 %
	%	+	%	=	0.0 %

III-5. **Demand for end-use products and services.**--

(a) Has the demand for your firm's final products and services (e.g., intermodal transport services) incorporating chassis changed since January 1, 2018?

Increased	No change	Decreased	Fluctuated	Explain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

No	Yes	Explain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-6. **Chassis owned.**-- Please report the total number of complete chassis your firm owned in the specified periods. If your firm is a dealer or distributor, report the total unsold inventories. If your firm is an end user, report the total fleet whether actively in use or in inventory. If your firm has leasing operations, report the total number of chassis inclusive of chassis actively being leased out, available for lease, or in inventory.

(a) Please indicate the number of registered chassis owned by your firm during 2018-2020.

Item	As of December 31, 2018	As of December 31, 2019	As of December 31, 2020
	Quantity (in units)		
Marine chassis			
Domestic chassis			
All other chassis ¹			
Total fleet	0	0	0
¹ Please identify these chassis: _____.			

(b) Please indicate the number of unregistered chassis owned by your firm during 2018-2020.

Item	As of December 31, 2018	As of December 31, 2019	As of December 31, 2020
	Quantity (in units)		
Marine chassis			
Domestic chassis			
All other chassis ¹			
Total fleet	0	0	0
¹ Please identify these chassis: _____.			

(c) What was the average age of the chassis in your fleet during 2018-2020?

Number of years	Any additional comments.

(d) Was the average age different in 2018 than in other years? Please describe.

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III-7. **Maintenance of chassis fleet.**—

(a) Does your firm purchase chassis in advance of needing them?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe why your firm does so.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(b) How long does your firm generally use a chassis before replacing it?

Number of years	Any additional comments.

(c) What was the approximate share of your firm's chassis in operation during 2018-2020?

Approximate share of fleet in operational use (percent)	Was this share different in 2018 than in other years? Please describe.

(d) Does your firm sometimes repair inoperable chassis or always replace them?

Always replace	Sometimes repair	If sometimes repair, please describe how often you do so and what repair entails.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(e) Did your firm's normal pattern of maintenance/repair vs. replacement change in 2018?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe what happened differently.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-8. **Substitutes.**--Can other products be substituted for chassis?

No Yes--Please fill out the table.

	Substitute	End use in which this substitute is used	Have changes in the price of this substitute affected the price for chassis?		
			No	Yes	Explanation
1.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3.			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-9. **Demand trends.**--Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for chassis 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	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Outside the United States	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-10. **Country preferences.**--Do you or your customers ever specifically order chassis from one country in particular over other possible sources of supply?

No	Yes	If yes, identify the countries and explain any preferences.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-11. **Importance of purchasing domestic product.**--Please fill out the table below, estimating the percentage of your firm's total 2020 purchases of chassis that required chassis produced in the United States.

	Estimated percentage of your firm's total 2020 purchases of chassis
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-12. **Conditions of competition.**--

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

Check all that apply.	Please describe.
<input type="checkbox"/> No	Skip to question III-13.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes-Business cycles (e.g. seasonal business)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes-Other distinctive conditions of competition	

(b) Have there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of competition for chassis since January 1, 2018?

No	Yes	If yes, describe.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-13. **Decisions based on producer and country-of-origin.**--How often does your firm, and if known, do your customers, make purchasing decisions involving chassis based on its producer or country of origin?

Item	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	If at least sometimes, explain.
Decision based on producer					
Your firm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Your customers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Decision based on country of origin					
Your firm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Your customers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-14. **Availability of supply.**--Has the availability of chassis in the U.S. market changed since January 1, 2018?

Availability in the U.S. market			Please explain, noting the countries and reasons for the changes.
	No	Yes	
U.S.-produced product	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Subject imports	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Nonsubject imports	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-15. **Supply constraints.**—

(a) Has any firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply your firm with chassis 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.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(b) Since January 1, 2018, have U.S. producers been unable to bid on or supply your firm's orders of chassis due to order size?

No	Yes	If no, please describe why not.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(c) Since January 1, 2018, have suppliers of Chinese chassis been unable to bid on or supply your firm's orders of chassis due to order size?

No	Yes	If no, please describe why not.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-16. **Availability of specific product types.**—Are certain grades/types/sizes/modes of chassis only available from certain country sources?

No	Yes	If yes, please identify the countries and the grade/type/size/modes.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-17. **Purchasing frequency.**--

(a) How frequently does your firm make purchases of chassis (check one)?

Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly	Annually	Other	<i>If other, specify</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(b) Has this purchasing frequency changed since January 1, 2018?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-18. **Raw material prices.**—

(a) Is your firm familiar with the prices for raw materials used in the production of chassis?

No	Yes – please answer (b)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(b) Has information on raw material prices affected your firm's negotiations or contracts to purchase chassis since 2018?

No	Yes	Explain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-19. **Raw materials.**—

(a) How have chassis raw material costs changed since January 1, 2018?

Factor	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 chassis.
Cost of raw materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(b) How did the imposition of tariffs under section 232 on imported steel/aluminum products impact raw material costs for chassis?

Factor	Overall increase	No change	Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend
Cost of raw materials after section 232 tariffs imposed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(c) How did the imposition of tariffs under section 232 on imported steel/aluminum products impact your firm's sales price for chassis?

Factor	Overall Increase	No change	Overall Decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explanation
Prices for chassis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-20. **Number of suppliers contacted.**--How many suppliers does your firm generally contact before making a purchase? Between ____ and ____ firms

III-21. **Supplier negotiations.**--Do your firm's purchases of chassis usually involve negotiations between supplier and purchaser?

No	Yes	If yes, explain the factors your firm generally negotiates and note whether your firm quotes competing prices during negotiations.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-22. **Change in suppliers.**--Has your firm changed suppliers since January 1, 2018?

No	Yes	If yes, please list the supplier(s), whether the firm was added or dropped, and the reasons for the change.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-23. **New suppliers.**--Are you aware of any new suppliers, either foreign or domestic, that have entered the market since January 1, 2018?

No	Yes	If yes, please identify the firms.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-24. **Supplier qualification.**--Do you require your suppliers to be or to become certified or qualified to sell chassis 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., quality of product, reliability of supplier, etc.).

No	Yes	Number of days	Process and factors
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

III-25. **Failure to certify.**--Since January 1, 2018, have any domestic or foreign producers failed in their attempts to certify or qualify their chassis with your firm or have any producers lost their approved status?

No	Yes	If yes, please identify these firms, the countries where they are located, and the reasons why they failed the certification/qualification.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-26. **Major purchasing factors.**--Please list, in order of their importance, the main factors your firm considers in deciding from whom to purchase chassis (examples include availability, extension of credit, contracts, price, quality, range of supplier's product line, traditional supplier, U.S. transportation costs, etc.). For a list of some possible factors, please see the table listed in III-27 below.

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

III-27. **Purchasing factors.**--Please rate the importance of the following factors in your firm's purchasing decisions for chassis.

Factor	Very important	Somewhat important	Not important
Availability to supply small orders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Availability to supply large orders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brand of axles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brand of suspension	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Coating	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delivery terms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delivery time	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delivery to location of choice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Discounts offered	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Flat-rack system	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fleet uniformity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Innovation (develop new features)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Minimum quantity requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Packaging	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Payment terms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Price	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Product consistency and uniformity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Product range	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality meets industry standards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality exceeds industry standards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reliability of supply	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Technical support/service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
U.S. transportation costs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Warranty terms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

III-28. **Quality characteristics.**--What characteristics does your firm consider when evaluating the quality of chassis?

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III-29. **Minimum quality.**--How often does chassis from the following countries meet minimum quality specifications for your uses or your customers' uses?

Source	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Rarely or never	Don't know
United States	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
China	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

III-30. **Frequency of decisions based on price.**--How often does your firm purchase the chassis that is offered at the lowest price?

Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

III-31. **Price leaders.**--A price leader is defined as (1) one or more firms that initiate a price change, either upward or downward, that is followed by other firms, or (2) one or more firms that have a significant impact on prices. *A price leader is not necessarily the lowest-priced supplier.*

Please list the names of any firms you considered price leaders in the chassis market since January 1, 2018.

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

III-32. **Purchasing subject imports rather than domestic products.**—

(a) Since January 2018, did your firm import and/or purchase imports of chassis from China instead of purchasing U.S.-produced chassis?

Yes (also respond to parts (b) and (c))	No (If "No," skip to next question)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

Yes	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

Yes	If Yes, estimate the quantity of imports purchased and/or imported instead of domestic product since January 2018 (in units)	No	If No, please indicate the reason your firm imported and/or purchased imports instead of domestic product
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-33. **U.S. producers and import competition.**—

(a) Since January 1, 2018, in connection with a sale or offer to sell chassis to your firm, did U.S. producers reduce their prices of domestically produced chassis in order to compete with lower-priced imports of chassis from China?

Yes (also respond to question part (b))	No (If "No," skip to next question)	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(b) If your firm responded "yes," please provide an estimate of the reduction in U.S. producers' prices and any additional explanations.

Estimated reduction in U.S. prices (percent)	Additional explanation, including such information as timing (e.g., months/years), frequency of price reductions, or other market/competitive factors
%	

III-34. **Impact of section 301 tariffs.**-- Did the imposition of tariffs on Chinese-origin products under section 301 have an impact on the chassis market in the United States?

Yes — Please indicate the impact in the table below, indicating in particular the impact in 2018, if different from other years.	No	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Factor	Overall increase	No change	Overall decrease	Fluctuate with no clear trend	Explain, noting how the imposition of tariffs under section 301 affected each factor of the chassis market in the United States (or for the last row, your firm's purchasing pattern for chassis).
Supply of U.S.-produced chassis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Supply of chassis imported from China	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Supply of chassis imported from other countries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Prices for chassis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Overall U.S. demand for chassis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Raw material costs for chassis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Your firm's purchasing pattern for chassis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

PART IV.—PRODUCT COMPARISONS

IV-1. **Interchangeability.**--Are chassis 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 O 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

O = *no familiarity* with products from a specified country-pair

Country-pair	China	Other countries
United States		
China	X	
For any country-pair producing chassis that is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>never</i> interchangeable, identify the country-pair and explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use:		

IV-2. **Factors other than price.**--Are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, etc.) between chassis 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 O 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

O = *no familiarity* with products from a specified country-pair

Country-pair	China	Other countries
United States		
China	X	
For any country-pair for which factors other than price <i>always</i> or <i>frequently</i> are a significant factor in your firm's sales of chassis, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:		

Warranty terms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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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. "U.S. transportation costs" refers to inland freight costs to transport a chassis.

PART V.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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

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- V-2. **OMB statistics.**--Please report the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of completing this questionnaire.

Hours	Dollars

The questions in this questionnaire have been reviewed with market participants to ensure that issues of concern are adequately addressed and that data requests are sufficient, meaningful, and as limited as possible. Public reporting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average 25 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering data, and completing and reviewing the questionnaire.

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

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.

- **Upload via Secure Drop Box.**—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:** CHAS

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

If your firm does not purchase 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 your firm submits (see 19 CFR § 207.7). Service of the questionnaire must be made in paper form.