# PURCHASERS' QUESTIONNAIRE CERTAIN POLYESTER STAPLE FIBER FROM KOREA AND TAIWAN

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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 antidumping review investigations concerning certain polyester staple fiber from Korea and Taiwan (Inv. Nos. 731-TA-825-826 (Review)). The information requested in the questionnaire is requested under the authority of the Tariff Act of 1930, title VII. This report is mandatory and failure to reply as directed can result in a subpoena or other order to compel the submission of records or information in your possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)). Further information on this questionnaire can be obtained from Nancy Bryan, Economist (202-205-2088).

| Name of  | irm   |   |   |
|--|---|---|---|
| Address  |   |   |   |
| City   |   | State Zi  | ip code   |
| World W  | Vide Web address  |   |   |
|  | firm purchased certain polyester staple fibe at any time since January 1, 2000?   | er (as defined in the instruction booklet)  | from any source (domestic   |
| $\square_{NO}$   | (Sign the certification below and prompt  | tly return only this page of the question   | naire to the Commission)  |
| YES  | (Read the instruction booklet carefully, or return the entire questionnaire to the Con  |   | sign the certification, and   |
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| elief and unders y signing this ce rovided in this q ommission on to acknowledge the s employees, an | nformation herein supplied in response to stand that the information submitted is suffertification I also grant consent for the Conquestionnaire and throughout these revies the same or similar merchandise. (If you do not not submitted in this questionnaid contract personnel who are acting in the eviews or related proceedings for which this | bject to audit and verification by the Conmission, and its employees and contra ws in any other import-injury investig do not consent to such use, please note tire response and throughout these revidue capacity of Commission employees, | ommission.  out personnel, to use the information ations or reviews conducted by the the certification accordingly.)  ews may be used by the Commission for developing or maintaining the |
| o the programs a<br>on-disclosure ag   | nd operations of the Commission pursuan<br>greements.   | t to 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3. I understand  | that all contract personnel will sig  |
| ame and Title  | of Authorized Official  | Date  |   |
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| ignature of Au   | uthorized Official  | Phone   | Fax   |

#### PART I.--GENERAL QUESTIONS

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 20 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering the data needed, and completing and reviewing the questionnaire. Send comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20436.

|                       | he actual number of hours required a naire and completing the form.  | and the cost to your firm | of preparing the  |
|-----------------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 2 1                 | 1 0  | hours                     | dollars           |
|                       | any comments you may have for impequestions. Please attach such comm   |                           |                   |
|                       | d address of establishment(s) covered or reporting guidelines). If your firm rading symbol.                            |                           |                   |
|                       |  |                           |                   |
|                       |  |                           |                   |
| Is your firm owned,   | in whole or in part, by any other firm   | n?                        |                   |
|                       |  |                           |                   |
| LINO LI               | YesList the following information.   | Extent                    | of                |
| Firm name             | Address  | owners                    | <u>hip</u>        |
|                       |  |                           |                   |
|                       | <u> </u>   |                           |                   |
| importing certain pol | any related firms, either domestic or<br>yester staple fiber from Korea or Ta<br>certain polyester staple fiber from I | iwan into the United Sta  | ites or which are |
| □ <sub>No</sub> □     | YesList the following information.   |                           |                   |
| Firm name             | Address  | <u>Affiliat</u>           | <u>ion</u>        |
|                       |  |                           |                   |
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Purchasers' Questionnaire - Polyester Staple Fiber (731-TA-825-826 (Review))

#### PART I.--GENERAL QUESTIONS--Continued

| Firm name                                     | <u>Address</u>   | <u>Affiliation</u>  |
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| company or any relate                         | tionnaire we request a copy of your d firm have a business plan or any pected future market conditions for | internal documents that describ                                 |
| company or any related discuss, or analyze ex | d firm have a business plan or any   | internal documents that describ certain polyester staple fiber? |

### PART II.--PURCHASES

II-1. Report, as indicated below, your firm's purchases (either directly or through a sales agent or broker) of certain polyester staple fiber. Report based on delivery date, not order date.

|                          |                           | Calendar year        |            |      |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|------------|------|
| Item                     | 2002                      | 2003                 | 2004       | 2005 |
| PURCHASES OF certain pol | yester staple fiber PRODU | JCED IN THE UNITED S | TATES:     | •    |
| Quantity                 |                           |                      |            |      |
| Value                    |                           |                      |            |      |
| PURCHASES OF certain pol | yester staple fiber PRODU | JCED IN KOREA:       |            | •    |
| Quantity                 |                           |                      |            |      |
| Value                    |                           |                      |            |      |
| PURCHASES OF certain pol | yester staple fiber PRODU | JCED IN TAIWAN:      |            |      |
| Quantity                 |                           |                      |            |      |
| Value                    |                           |                      |            |      |
| PURCHASES OF certain pol | yester staple fiber PRODU | JCED IN ALL OTHER CO | DUNTRIES:1 |      |
| Quantity                 |                           |                      |            |      |
| Value                    |                           |                      |            |      |

## PART II.--PURCHASES--Continued

| II-2. | If the relative levels of your firm's purchases of certain polyester staple fiber from different   |
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|       | sources (both domestic and foreign) have changed since January 1, 2000 (the year the               |
|       | antidumping duty orders under review became effective), please list the country, state whether the |
|       | relative share from that country has increased or decreased, and state the reason.                 |

|     | Country   | Increase/decrease                                | Reason   |  |
|-----|---|--|--|--|
|     |   |  |  |  |
|     |   |  |  |  |
|     |   |  |  |  |
| (a) | Did your fire<br>January 1, 2   |  | yester staple fiber from Korea and/or Taiwan befor                                     |  |
|     | ☐ NoSkij  | o to (c)   | $ bracket{Yes}$  |  |
| (b) | If yes, has your pattern of purchasing certain polyester staple fiber from Korea and/or Taiwan changed since January 1, 2000? |  |  |  |
|     | No, our pattern of purchasing is essentially unchanged.   |  |  |  |
|     | Yes, we discontinued purchases from Korea and/or Taiwan because of the orders.  |  |  |  |
|     | Yes, we reduced purchases from Korea and/or Taiwan because of the orders.   |  |  |  |
|     |   | we changed the pattern<br>the orders (please exp | n of purchases from Korea and/or Taiwan for reasolain below).                          |  |
|     |   |  |  |  |
| (c) |   |  | tain polyester staple fiber from nonsubject foreign 000 (please check all that apply). |  |
|     | We did not purchase from nonsubject foreign sources before or after the orders.   |  |  |  |
|     | No, our pattern of purchasing is essentially unchanged.   |  |  |  |
|     | Yes, we   | increased purchases fro                          | om nonsubject countries because of the orders.   |  |
|     |   |  |  |  |

| (check all that apply, noting the  |  |
|--|--|
| END USER (   |  |
| DISTRIBUTOR (  |  |
|  |  |
| • •  | or reseller of certain polyester staple fiber, what are the major u sell certain polyester staple fiber?   |
| (b) Do you compete for sales to you purchase certain polyester s   | your customers with the manufacturers or importers from whataple fiber?  |
|  |  |
| TC C   |  |
| polyester staple fiber consumed.   |  |
| polyester staple fiber consumed, polyester staple fiber as a compocost is accounted for by certain product you produce         | , the top 3 products for which your firm purchases certain onent part or input. Please indicate what percentage of the to polyester staple fiber.  Percent of cost accounted for by certain polyester staple fiber   |
| polyester staple fiber consumed, polyester staple fiber as a compocost is accounted for by certain product you produce  1      | , the top 3 products for which your firm purchases certain onent part or input. Please indicate what percentage of the to polyester staple fiber.  Percent of cost accounted for by  certain polyester staple fiber  1   |
| polyester staple fiber consumed, polyester staple fiber as a compocost is accounted for by certain product you produce  1      | , the top 3 products for which your firm purchases certain onent part or input. Please indicate what percentage of the to polyester staple fiber.  Percent of cost accounted for by  certain polyester staple fiber  1  2  |
| polyester staple fiber consumed, polyester staple fiber as a compocost is accounted for by certain product you produce  1      | tain polyester staple fiber, has the demand for your firm' polyester staple fiber certain polyester staple fiber.  |
| polyester staple fiber consumed, polyester staple fiber as a composite cost is accounted for by certain product you produce  1 | tain polyester staple fiber, has the demand for your firm's polyester staple fiber.  Percan polyester staple fiber  1 2 3  f certain polyester staple fiber, has the demand for your firm's tain polyester staple fiber changed since January 1, 2000?   |
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| Have there 2000?             | been any changes in the end uses of ce                                   | ertain polyester staple fiber since January 1,   |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| No                           | YesDiscuss the changes, not  | ting the time period in which they occurred.   |
|                              |  |  |
| Do you ant future?           | icipate any changes in terms of the end                                  | d uses of certain polyester staple fiber in the  |
| □No                          | underlying assumptions,  | ntify the time period. Provide any, along with relevant portions of business plaumentation, that address this issue. |
|                              |  |  |
| (a) Please l<br>staple fiber |  | s that may be substituted for certain polyeste   |
| (1)                          | (2)  | (3)  |
|                              | h possible substitute product, please giver are substitutes.             | ve examples of applications and end uses for   |
|                              |  |  |
| (c) Have cl<br>fiber?        | nanges in the prices of these products at                                | ffected the price for certain polyester staple   |
| No                           | Yes–Please explain.  |  |
|                              |  |  |
|                              | been any changes in the number or typ taple fiber since January 1, 2000? | pes of products that can be substituted for cer  |
| No                           | YesPlease explain.   |  |
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|                              |  |  |

| III-9.  | Do you anticipate any changes in terms of the substitutability of other products for certain polyester staple fiber in the future?  |
|---------|---|
|         | No YesPlease describe. Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.   |
|         |   |
| III-10. | How has demand within the United States (and outside the United States, if known) for certain polyester staple fiber changed since January 1, 2000?   |
|         | Increased Unchanged Decreased   |
|         | Other (describe)  |
|         | What were the principal factors affecting changes in demand?  |
|         |   |
|         |   |
| III-11. | Do you anticipate any future changes in certain polyester staple fiber demand in the United States and, if known, the rest of the world?  |
|         | No YesPlease describe and identify the time period. Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.  |
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| III-12. | Please provide as separate attachments to this request any studies, surveys, etc., that you are aware of that quantify and/or otherwise discuss certain polyester staple fiber demand and/or factors affecting certain polyester staple fiber demand in the (1) United States, (2) each of the major producing/consuming countries, including those subject to this review, and (3) the world as a whole. Of particular interest is such data on an annual basis from 2000 to the present and forecasts of these demand data. |

| III-13. | Have any changes occurred in any factors affecting supply (e.g., changes in availability or prices of raw materials, energy or labor; transportation conditions; production capacity and/or methods of production; technology; export markets; or alternative production opportunities) that affected the availability of U.Sproduced certain polyester staple fiber in the U.S. market since January 1, 2000? |
|---------|--|
|         | No YesPlease note the time period(s) of any such changes, the factors(s) involved, and the impact such changes had on your shipment volumes and prices.  |
|         |  |
| III-14. | Have any suppliers (U.S. or foreign) refused, declined, or been unable to supply certain polyester staple fiber since January 1, 2000? (Examples include being placed on allocation or "controlled order entry," supplier(s) declining to accept new customers or renew existing customers, delivering less than the quantity promised, been unable to meet timely shipment commitments, etc.)                 |
|         | No YesPlease note and document the time period(s) (i.e., month and year), country of origin, and supplier that refused, declined, or was unable to supply; amount and type of product involved; the effect on your operations.   |
| III-15. | Is buying a product that is produced in the United States an important factor in your firm's purchases of certain polyester staple fiber (please check ALL that apply)?  No  |
|         | YesPurchases of domestic product are required by law or regulation (for example, government purchases under "Buy American" provisions). This involves percent of all purchases of certain polyester staple fiber.  |
|         | YesPurchases of domestic product are not required by law or regulation, but are by your customers. This involves percent of all purchases of certain polyester staple fiber.   |
|         | YesPurchases of domestic product are required for other reasons (please specify these reasons below). This involves percent of all purchases of certain polyester staple fiber.  |
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| III-16. | (a) Is the certain polyester staple fiber market subject to business cycles or conditions of competition (e.g. allegations of violations of U.S. antitrust laws) distinctive to certain polyester staple fiber? |
|---------|---|
|         | No YesPlease explain and provide estimates of the duration of any business cycle/condition of competition.  |
|         |   |
|         | (b) Has the emergence of new markets for certain polyester staple fiber since January 1, 2000 affected the business cycles or conditions of competition distinctive to certain polyester staple fiber?          |
|         | No YesPlease explain any such changes.  |
|         |   |
| III-17. | Who are your major competitors?   |
|         |   |
|         |   |
| III-18. | Does your firm, and to the extent that you know, do your customers make purchasing decisions involving certain polyester staple fiber based on the producer of the certain polyester staple fiber you purchase? |
|         | Your firm:  |
|         | Your customers:   |
|         | If at least sometimes, please discuss how your firm or your customers determine the producer and why this information is important.   |
|         | Your firm:  |
|         |   |
|         | Your customers:   |
|         |   |

| Does your firm, and to the extent that you know, do your customers make purchasing decisions involving certain polyester staple fiber based on the country of origin of the certain polyester staple fiber you purchase? |
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| Your firm:   |
| Your customers:  |
| If at least sometimes, please discuss how your firm or your customers determine the source and why this information is important.  |
| Your firm:   |
| Your customers:  |
|  |
| (a) How frequently do you make purchases?  |
| Daily  |
| Other (specify)  |
| (b) Do you expect this purchasing pattern to change in the next two years?   |
| No YesHow and why do you expect these changes to occur?  |
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| How many suppliers do you generally contact before making a purchase?  |
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| III-22. | (a) Do purchases of certain polyester staple fiber usually involve negotiations between supplier and purchaser? |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
|         | No  | YesPlease describe these negotiations. In your response, please comment on whether purchasers generally quote competing prices as part of the negotiation process.                       |  |  |  |  |
|         |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|         |   | firm tend to vary its purchases from a given supplier within a specified time period ice offered for that period?  |  |  |  |  |
|         | No  | YesSpecify the time period.  |  |  |  |  |
|         |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| III-23. |   | ged suppliers in the last 4 years?   |  |  |  |  |
|         | ∐No   | YesPlease list the supplier or suppliers and indicate whether the firm was added or dropped as a supplier. Also give the reasons for the change and how frequently you change suppliers. |  |  |  |  |
|         |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| III-24. | (a) Are you aw in the last 4 year   | are of any new suppliers, either foreign or domestic, that have entered the market ars?  |  |  |  |  |
|         | □No   | YesPlease identify the firms and indicate how you become aware of them.  |  |  |  |  |
|         |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|         | (b) Do you exp  | ect new certain polyester staple fiber suppliers to enter the market in the future?  |  |  |  |  |
|         | No  | YesPlease provide details, noting the specific future time period in your response.  |  |  |  |  |
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| III-25. | Do you require your suppliers to become certified or prequalified with respect to the quality, chemistry, strength, or other performance characteristic of the certain polyester staple fiber they sell to your firm? |
|---------|---|
|         | No Yes—percent of purchases in 2004 Yes—all purchases   |
|         | Please provide a general description of the certification or qualification process and the time required.   |
|         |   |
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| III-26. | Briefly describe the factors that you consider when qualifying a new supplier (e.g., quality of product, reliability of supplier, etc.) and estimate the time it takes to certify or qualify a new supplier.          |
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| III-27. | Since January 1, 2000, have any domestic or foreign producers failed in their attempts to certify or qualify their certain polyester staple fiber with your firm or have any producers lost their approved status?    |
|         | No YesPlease identify these firms, the countries where they are located, and the reasons why they failed the certification/qualification process.   |
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III-28. (a) For the factors listed below, please rate each in terms of its importance in your purchase decision for certain polyester staple fiber.

|                                 | VERY<br>IMPORTANT | SOMEWHAT<br>IMPORTANT | NOT<br>IMPORTANT |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Availability                    |                   |                       |                  |
| Delivery terms                  |                   |                       |                  |
| Delivery time                   |                   |                       |                  |
| Discounts offered               |                   |                       |                  |
| Extension of credit             |                   |                       |                  |
| Price                           |                   |                       |                  |
| Minimum qty requirements        |                   |                       |                  |
| Packaging                       |                   |                       |                  |
| Product consistency             |                   |                       |                  |
| Quality meets industry standard | ds 🔲              |                       |                  |
| Quality exceeds industry stand  | ards 🔲            |                       |                  |
| Product range                   |                   |                       |                  |
| Reliability of supply           |                   |                       |                  |
| Technical support/service       |                   |                       |                  |
| U.S. transportation costs       |                   |                       |                  |
| Other (specify):                |                   |                       |                  |
|                                 |                   |                       |                  |
|                                 |                   |                       |                  |
|                                 |                   | П                     |                  |

| III-28. | (b) Please list, in order of their importance, the three major factors generally considered by your firm in deciding from whom to purchase certain polyester staple fiber for any one order (examples include current availability, extension of credit, prearranged contracts, price, quality exceeding specifications or industry standards, range of supplier's product line, traditional supplier, etc.).  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|         | 2.         3.  |  |  |  |  |  |
|         | Other factors or comments:   |  |  |  |  |  |
| III-29. | What characteristics does your firm consider when determining the quality of certain polyester staple fiber?   |  |  |  |  |  |
|         |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| III-30. | How often does your firm purchase the certain polyester staple fiber that is offered at the lowest price?  |  |  |  |  |  |
|         | Always Usually Sometimes Never   |  |  |  |  |  |
| III-31. | Please list the names of any firms you considered price leaders in the certain polyester staple fiber market since January 1, 2000. 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 does not necessarily have to be the lowest priced supplier. For those firms identified as a price leader, please specify the time period in which a price change was communicated, whether the price change was upward or downward, and whether it covered a specific geographic region or a specific product type. |  |  |  |  |  |
|         |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| III-32. | Please describe how the above firm(s) exhibited price leadership, including the effect of allegations of violations of U.S. antitrust laws in the polyester staple fiber industry.   |  |  |  |  |  |
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| III-33. | How frequently does the price of the certain polyester staple fiber you are purchasing change?   |  |  |  |  |  |
|         |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| 111-34. | Does your firm purchase certain polyester staple fiber over the internet?   |
|---------|---|
|         | No YesPlease describe, noting the estimated percentage of your firm's total purchases of certain polyester staple fiber in 2004 accounted for by internet purchases.  |
|         |   |
| III-35. | (a) As an attachment to this questionnaire, please identify and discuss any improvements/changes in the U.S. certain polyester staple fiber industry since January 1, 2000 and explain fully, to the extent possible, the factor(s), including the orders under review, that was/(were) responsible for each improvement/change.  |
|         | (b) Please also discuss fully, to the extent possible, any improvements/changes that you anticipate in the future in the U.S. certain polyester staple fiber industry. Identify the specific future time period covered in your response, and discuss the factors that you believe would be responsible for each improvement/change.  |
| III-36. | What do you think will be the likely effects of any revocation of the antidumping duty orders for imports of certain polyester staple fiber from Korea and Taiwan? As appropriate, please discuss any potential effects of revocation of the antidumping duty orders on (1) the future activities of your firm and (2) the U.S. market as a whole. Please note the future time period to which you are referring. Attach additional pages if necessary. |
|         | (1) Activities of your firm:  |
|         |   |
|         | (2) Entire U.S. market:   |

## PART IV.--COMPARISONS BETWEEN IMPORTED AND U.S.-PRODUCED CERTAIN POLYESTER STAPLE FIBER

| IV-1.                              | V-1. Please indicate the countries of origin for certain polyester staple fiber for which your firm has actual marketing/pricing knowledge. |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
|                                    | United States   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | Korea   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | ☐ Taiwan  |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | Other countries (Please specify   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| interc<br>using<br>to ind<br>somet | changeably "A" to ind licate that the times intercent   | polyester staple fiber (i.e., can they physica icate that the products he products are <i>freque</i> changeable, "N" to indicative with products from the product | Illy be used in the sam<br>from a specified countly interchangeable,<br>acate that the products | ne applications)? Ple<br>ntry-pair are <i>always</i> :<br>"S" to indicate that the<br>are <i>never</i> interchang | ase indicate below,<br>interchangeable, "F"<br>ne products are |  |  |  |  |
| Cou                                | ntry-pair   | United States   | Korea   | Taiwan  | Other countries  |  |  |  |  |
| United                             | d States  |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Korea                              | ì   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Taiwa                              | Taiwan  |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |   | ntry-pair producing ce<br>please explain the fac  |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | (domestic   | or foreign, including   | both subject and none   | subject countries)?   | om only a single source  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | No YesPlease identify the source and the grade/type/size.   |   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |

#### PART IV.--COMPARISONS BETWEEN IMPORTED AND U.S.-PRODUCED CERTAIN POLYESTER STAPLE FIBER--Continued

IV-4. For the factors listed below, please rate how certain polyester staple fiber produced in each country you identified in your response to the first question in Part IV compares with certain polyester staple fiber produced in each of the other countries you identified (including the United States and both subject and nonsubject foreign countries). Copy this page as necessary to cover all possible country combinations and please attach any comments you care to make concerning your responses, especially in comparisons where you rate product from one country superior or inferior to product from another.

|                                    | compared to _ |                   |          |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|----------|
| (specify country)                  | _ · -         | (specify country) |          |
|                                    | SUPERIOR      | COMPARABLE        | INFERIOR |
| Availability                       |               |                   |          |
| Delivery terms                     | 🗆             |                   |          |
| Delivery time                      | 🗆             |                   |          |
| Discounts offered                  |               |                   |          |
| Extension of credit                |               |                   |          |
| Lower price                        |               |                   |          |
| Minimum qty requirements           |               |                   |          |
| Packaging                          |               |                   |          |
| Product consistency                | 🗆             |                   |          |
| Quality meets industry standards . |               |                   |          |
| Quality exceeds industry standards |               |                   |          |
| Product range                      | 🗆             |                   |          |
| Reliability of supply              |               |                   |          |
| Technical support/service          |               |                   |          |
| Lower U.S. transportation costs    | 🗆             |                   |          |
| Other (specify):                   |               |                   |          |
|                                    |               |                   |          |
|                                    | 🗆             |                   |          |

#### PART IV.--COMPARISONS BETWEEN IMPORTED AND U.S.-PRODUCED CERTAIN POLYESTER STAPLE FIBER--Continued

| If you purchased certain polyester staple fiber from one source although a comparable product was available from another source at a lower price, please explain your reasons for doing so (please specify by country, including the United States and both subject and nonsubject foreign countries). Possibilities might include transaction characteristics such as length of time to fill orders, minimum order size, reliability of supply, etc. |  |           |         |   |  |  |
|---|--|-----------|---------|---|--|--|
|   |  |           |         |   |  |  |
|   | does domestically<br>or your uses or yo  |           |         | ster staple fiber meet                      | t minimum quality                      |  |
| Always  | Usually                                  |           | metimes | Rarely or never                             |  |  |
|   | does imported sulfor your uses or your   |           |         | aple fiber meet mini                        | mum quality                            |  |
| Always  | Usually                                  |           | netimes | Rarely or never                             |  |  |
|   | does imported not<br>for your uses or ye |           |         | er staple fiber meet n                      | ninimum quality                        |  |
| Country   | \[ \square A                             | Always    | Usually | Sometimes                                   | Rarely or never                        |  |
| Country   |  | Always    | Usually | ☐ Sometimes                                 | Rarely or never                        |  |
| Country   |  | Always    | Usually | ☐ Sometimes                                 | Rarely or never                        |  |
| (a) Since January 1, 2000, has there been a change in the price of certain polyester staple fiber? so, has the price of U.Sproduced certain polyester staple fiber changed more or less than the price of imported certain polyester staple fiber from Korea and/or Taiwan?   |  |           |         |   |  |  |
| No change   | in price                                 |           |         |   |  |  |
|   | changed by the s                         | same amo  | unt     |   |  |  |
| Price of U.Sproduced certain polyester staple fiber has changed relative to the certain polyester staple fiber from Korea and/or Taiwan   |  |           |         |   |  |  |
| certain polyeste  |  | m Korea a |         | fiber has changed re<br>the price of U.Spro | elative to the price of oduced certain |  |
| Higher  | Lower                                    | J         |         |   |  |  |

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#### PART V.--SUPPLIER IDENTIFICATION

Please list the suppliers from which you have purchased certain polyester staple fiber since 2000 and approximate the percentage of your certain polyester staple fiber purchases each accounted for in 2004.

| No. | Firm name | Percentage of purchases | No. | Firm name | Percentage of purchases |
|-----|-----------|-------------------------|-----|-----------|-------------------------|
| 1   |           |                         | 6   |           |                         |
| 2   |           |                         | 7   |           |                         |
| 3   |           |                         | 8   |           |                         |
| 4   |           |                         | 9   |           |                         |
| 5   |           |                         | 10  |           |                         |