

FOREIGN PRODUCERS'/EXPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE
SUPERALLOY DEGASSED CHROMIUM FROM JAPAN

Return completed questionnaire to:

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Office of Investigations, Room 615
500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20436

So as to be received by the Commission by no later than September 12, 2005

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its antidumping investigation concerning superalloy degassed chromium from Japan (Inv. No. 731-TA-1090 (Final)). The information requested in the questionnaire is requested under the authority of the Tariff Act of 1930, title VII.

Name of firm _____

Address _____

World Wide Web address _____

Has your firm produced or exported superalloy degassed chromium (as defined in the instruction booklet) at any time since January 1, 2002?

NO (Sign the certification below and promptly return only this page of the questionnaire to the Commission)

YES (Read the instruction booklet carefully, complete all parts of the questionnaire, sign the certification, and return the entire questionnaire to the Commission)

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 signing 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 investigation in any other import-injury investigations conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise. (If you do not consent to such use, please note the certification accordingly.)

I acknowledge that information submitted in this questionnaire response and throughout this investigation may be used by the Commission, its employees, and contract personnel who are acting in the capacity of Commission employees, for developing or maintaining the records of this investigation or related proceedings for which this information is submitted, or in internal audits and investigations relating to the programs and operations of the Commission pursuant to 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3. I understand that all contract personnel will sign non-disclosure agreements.

Name and Title of Authorized Official

Date

Signature of Authorized Official

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Phone Fax

E-mail address

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 15 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.

I-1a. Please report below the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of preparing the reply to this questionnaire and completing the form. _____ hours _____ dollars

I-1b. We are interested in any comments you may have for improving this questionnaire in general or the clarity of specific questions. Please attach such comments to your response or send them to the above address.

I-2. Provide the name and address of establishment(s) covered by this questionnaire (see page 3 of the instruction booklet for reporting guidelines). If your firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol.

I-3. Please provide the names, street addresses (not P.O. boxes), telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses of the **FIVE** largest U.S. importers of your firm's superalloy degassed chromium in 2004.

I-4. Does your firm or any related firm produce, have the capability to produce, or have any plans to produce superalloy degassed chromium in the United States or other countries?

No Yes--Please name the firm(s) and country(ies) below and, if U.S. producer(s), ensure that they complete the Commission's producer questionnaire (contact Megan Spellacy--202-205-3190 or via E-Mail megan.spellacy@usitc.gov-- for copies of that questionnaire).

PART I.--GENERAL QUESTIONS--Continued

I-5. Does your firm or any related firm import or have any plans to import superalloy degassed chromium into the United States?

No

Yes--Please name the firm(s) below and ensure that they complete the Commission's importer questionnaire (contact Megan Spellacy--202-205-3190 or via E-Mail megan.spellacy@usitc.gov-- for copies of that questionnaire).

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

II-1. Does your firm have any plans to add, expand, curtail, or shut down production capacity and/or production of superalloy degassed chromium in Japan?

No

Yes--Please describe those plans, including planned dates and capacity/production quantities involved, and the reason(s) for such change(s). If the plans are to add or expand capacity or production, list (in descending order of importance) the markets (countries) to which such additional capacity or production would be directed.

Furthermore, if you had any plans to add or expand your production capacity at any time since January 1, 2002, but those plans were withdrawn, please describe those plans, provide any business plan or documents pertaining to these plans, identify any existing equipment that was to be used or converted in connection with these plans, and explain why the plans were withdrawn.

II-2. What percentage of your firm's total sales in its most recent fiscal year was represented by sales of superalloy degassed chromium?

_____ Percent

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION--Continued

II-3. Does your firm produce products other than superalloy degassed chromium on the same equipment and machinery used in the production of superalloy degassed chromium?

No Yes--List the following information.

Basis for allocation of capacity data (e.g., sales): _____

Products produced on same equipment and share of total production in 2004 (in percent):

<u>Product</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Superalloy degassed chromium	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

II-4. Please describe the relative advantages and disadvantages of each superalloy degassed chromium production method (i.e., electrolytic, silicothermic, and aluminothermic).

II-5. Has your firm maintained any inventories of superalloy degassed chromium in the United States (not including inventories held by firms identified in questions I-3, I-4, or I-5 above¹) since 2002?

No Yes--Report the quantity (in **1,000 pounds**) of such **end-of-period** inventories below.

<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>January-June</u>	
			<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

¹ Such firms will report inventories in the Commission's importer or producer questionnaire.

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION--Continued

II-6. Does your firm sell superalloy degassed chromium over the internet?

- No Yes--Please describe, noting the estimated percentage of your firm's total sales of superalloy degassed chromium in 2004 accounted for by internet sales.

II-7. Is the superalloy degassed chromium exported by your firm subject to antidumping findings or remedies in any WTO-member countries?

- No Yes--List the products(s), countries affected, and the date of such findings/remedies.

<i>Product</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Date</i>
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II-8. Please explain the basis for your projections in questions II-9 and II-10.

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION--Continued

II-9. Please report production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories of superalloy degassed chromium produced by your firm in Japan during the specified periods.

Item	Actual experience					Projections	
	2002	2003	2004	January-June		2005	2006
				2004	2005		
BEGINNING-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES²							
PRODUCTION³							
SHIPMENTS:							
Internal consumption/transfers-- <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
Home market sales-- <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
Exports to--							
United States⁴ <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
All other export markets⁵ <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
Total exports <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
Total shipments <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
END-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES							

¹ The production capacity (see definitions in instruction booklet) reported is based on operating _____ hours per week, _____ weeks per year. Please describe the methodology used to calculate production capacity, and explain any changes in reported capacity (use additional pages as necessary).

² Reconciliation of data.--Please note that the quantities reported above should reconcile as follows: beginning-of-period inventories, plus production, less total shipments, equals end-of-period inventories. Do the data reported reconcile?

Yes No--Please explain: _____

³ Please estimate the percentage of total production of superalloy degassed chromium in Japan accounted for by your firm's production in 2004.
_____ Percent

⁴ Please estimate the percentage of total exports to the United States of superalloy degassed chromium from Japan accounted for by your firm's exports in 2004.
_____ Percent

⁵ Identify principal *other* export markets. _____

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION--Continued

II-10. Please report production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories of vacuum melt grade chromium produced by your firm in Japan during the specified periods.

Item	Actual experience					Projections	
	2002	2003	2004	January-June		2005	2006
				2004	2005		
BEGINNING-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES²							
PRODUCTION³							
SHIPMENTS:							
Internal consumption/transfers-- <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
Home market sales-- <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
Exports to--							
United States⁴ <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
All other export markets⁵ <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
Total exports <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
Total shipments <i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>							
<i>Value (1,000 US dollars)</i>							
END-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES							

¹ The production capacity (see definitions in instruction booklet) reported is based on operating _____ hours per week, _____ weeks per year. Please describe the methodology used to calculate production capacity, and explain any changes in reported capacity (use additional pages as necessary).

² Reconciliation of data.--Please note that the quantities reported above should reconcile as follows: beginning-of-period inventories, plus production, less total shipments, equals end-of-period inventories. Do the data reported reconcile?

Yes No--Please explain: _____

³ Please estimate the percentage of total production of vacuum melt grade chromium in Japan accounted for by your firm's production in 2004.
_____ Percent

⁴ Please estimate the percentage of total exports to the United States of vacuum melt grade chromium from Japan accounted for by your firm's exports in 2004.
_____ Percent

⁵ Identify principal *other* export markets. _____

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION--Continued

II-11. Comparability of superalloy degassed chromium and vacuum melt grade chromium.--Please describe the differences and similarities between superalloy degassed chromium and vacuum melt grade chromium in terms of the following factors: (a) **physical characteristics and uses**; (b) **interchangeability** – whether the two products are substitutable in specific, representative end uses, including an estimate of how often the products are actually used in the applications; (c) **channels of distribution**; (d) **manufacturing processes** – the extent to which the products share common manufacturing facilities, production processes, and production employees; and (e) **price**. Use additional pages as necessary.

(a) Physical characteristics and uses: _____

(b) Interchangeability: _____

(c) Channels of distribution: _____

(d) Manufacturing processes: _____

(e) Price: _____
