

FOREIGN PRODUCERS'/EXPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

THERMAL PAPER FROM GERMANY, JAPAN, KOREA, AND SPAIN

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by **July 8, 2021**
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 antidumping investigations concerning thermal paper from Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain (Inv. Nos. 731-TA-1546-1549 (Final)). The information requested in the questionnaire is requested under the authority of the Tariff Act of 1930, title VII.

Name of firm _____			
Address _____			
Website _____			
Has your firm produced or exported thermal paper (as defined on next page) 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)		
Data reported in this questionnaire relate to (Check one):			
<input type="checkbox"/> Germany	<input type="checkbox"/> Japan	<input type="checkbox"/> Korea	<input type="checkbox"/> Spain
Return questionnaire via the Commission <i>Drop Box</i> by clicking on the following link: https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/ . (PIN: PAPER)			

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

Phone

Email address

PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

Background. --This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed on October 7, 2021, by Appvion Operations, Inc. (Appleton, Wisconsin) and Domtar Corporation (Fort Mill, South Carolina). 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 dumping. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at https://www.usitc.gov/investigations/title_7/2021/thermal_paper_germany_japan_korea_and_spain/final.htm.

Thermal paper covered by these investigations is thermal paper in the form of "jumbo rolls" and certain "converted rolls." Jumbo rolls are defined as rolls with a nominal width of 4.5 inches (11.43 centimeters) or more, a nominal weight of 65 pounds (29.4835 kg) or more, and a nominal diameter of 20 inches (50.8 centimeters) or more ("jumbo rolls"). All jumbo rolls are included in the scope regardless of the basis weight of the paper. Also included in the scope are "converted rolls" with a width of less than 4.5 inches (11.43 centimeters), and with a basis weight of 70 grams per square meter ("g/m²") or less. The scope covers jumbo rolls and converted rolls of thermal paper with or without a base coat (typically made of clay and/or latex, and/or like materials) on one or both sides; with thermal active coating(s) (typically made of sensitizer, dye, and co-reactant, and/or like materials) on one or both sides; with or without a top coat (typically made of pigments, polyvinyl alcohol, and/or like materials). The scope of these investigations covers imports of converted rolls from third countries that are manufactured from jumbo rolls produced in the subject countries.

Thermal paper is currently imported under statistical reporting numbers 4811.90.8030 (jumbo rolls) and 4811.90.9030 (converted rolls) of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). The HTSUS provisions are for convenience and customs purposes; the written description of the scope is dispositive.

Reporting of information. — This questionnaire collects data regarding imports of thermal paper, both in jumbo roll form and converted, as well as lightweight and heavyweight.

"Lightweight" – Products with a basis weight of 70 g/m² or less

"Heavyweight" – Products with a basis weight of greater than 70 g/m²

Reporting of information (continued). --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, purchaser and/or foreign producer 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.

Valid number error messages.--If you are completing this form in a country that uses periods (".") to delineate multiples of 1000 (e.g., one million would appear as \$1.000.000 rather than \$1,000,000), you may be unable to enter in numbers greater than 999 in numeric form fields. The solution to this data entry issue is to temporarily change your operating system's number formatting to be consistent with the U.S. number formatting system while you complete this form. Detailed instructions on how to resolve this issue is provided at the end of this questionnaire and is available upon request from Ahdia Bavari (202-205-3191, ahdia.bavari@usitc.gov).

I-1. **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 20 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-2. **Establishments covered.**--Provide the name and address of establishment(s) covered by this questionnaire.

"Establishment"--Each facility of a firm in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain involved in the production or export of thermal paper, including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities. Firms operating more than one establishment in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain should combine the data for all establishments into a single report.

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I-3. **Related producers.**--Does your firm or any related firm produce, have the capability to produce, or have any plans to produce thermal paper in the United States or other countries?

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

I-4. **Related U.S. importers.**--Does your firm or any related firm import or have any plans to import thermal paper into the United States?

No	Yes	If yes, please name the firm(s) below and ensure that they complete the Commission's importer questionnaire.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

I-5. **Stock symbol information.**-- If your firm or any of the entities reported in questions I-2 through I-4 are publicly traded in the United States, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol (including American Depositary Receipts, if applicable): _____.

I-6. **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-7. **U.S. importers.**--Please provide the names, contacts, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses of the **FIVE** largest U.S. importers of your firm's thermal paper in 2020.

	Importer's name	Contact person	Email	Telephone	Share of your firm's 2020 U.S. exports (%)
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					

I-8. **Production type.**—Please indicate below the types of thermal paper your firm produces.

Production type	<i>(check as appropriate)</i>
Lightweight jumbo rolls of thermal paper	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heavyweight jumbo rolls of thermal paper	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lightweight converted thermal paper	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heavyweight converted thermal paper	<input type="checkbox"/>

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Ahdia Bavari (202-205-3191, ahdia.bavari@usitc.gov). **Supply all data requested on a calendar-year basis.**

- II-1. **Contact information.**--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. **Changes in operations.**--Please indicate whether your firm has experienced any of the following changes in relation to the production of thermal paper since January 1, 2018.

<i>(check as many as appropriate)</i>		<i>(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)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	plant openings	
<input type="checkbox"/>	plant closings	
<input type="checkbox"/>	relocations	
<input type="checkbox"/>	expansions	
<input type="checkbox"/>	acquisitions	
<input type="checkbox"/>	consolidations	
<input type="checkbox"/>	prolonged shutdowns or production curtailments	
<input type="checkbox"/>	revised labor agreements	
<input type="checkbox"/>	other (e.g., technology)	

- II-2b. **COVID-19 pandemic.**—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 chain arrangements, production, and shipments (including exports to the United States) relating to thermal paper?

No	Yes	If yes, describe these changes including a separate discussion of the (a) supply chain impact and (b) production and sales (including exports to the United States) impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- II-2c. **Anticipated changes in operations.**--Does your firm anticipate any changes in the character of its operations or organization (as noted above) relating to the production of thermal paper in the future?

No	Yes	If yes, supply details as to the time, nature, and significance of such changes and provide underlying assumptions.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

II-3a. **Production using same machinery: Jumbo roll machinery.**—

Jumbo roll machinery

Quantity (in short tons)					
Item	Calendar year			January-March	
	2018	2019	2020	2020	2021
Overall production capacity on coating/jumbo roll machinery¹					
Production of: Lightweight thermal paper (i.e., jumbo rolls with a basis weight of 70 g/m ² or less) ²	0	0	0	0	0
Heavyweight thermal paper (i.e., jumbo rolls with a basis weight greater than 70 g/m ²) ²	0	0	0	0	0
Other products ³					
Total production using same machinery or workers	0	0	0	0	0
¹ Data reported for capacity (first line) should be greater than data reported for total production (last line). ² Data entered for production of lightweight and heavyweight thermal paper will populate here once reported in questions II-8 and II-9. ³ Please identify these products: _____.					

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

Hours per week	Weeks per year

II-3c. **Capacity calculation.**--Please describe the methodology used to calculate overall jumbo roll 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 jumbo roll production capacity.

II-3e. **Product shifting: Jumbo machinery.**—

- (i) Is your firm able to switch production (capacity) between types of thermal paper, between thermal paper and other products using the same jumbo machinery equipment and/or labor?

Between products	No	Yes	If yes—(i.e., have produced other products or are able to produce other products), please identify other actual or potential products.
Lightweight jumbo thermal paper and heavyweight jumbo thermal paper	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Jumbo thermal paper (any basis weight) and other, out-of-scope products	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- (ii) Please describe the factors that affect your firm's ability to shift jumbo machinery production capacity between products (e.g., time, cost, relative price change, etc.), and the degree to which these factors enhance or constrain such shifts.

II-4a. **Production using same machinery: Conversion machinery.**--Please report your firm's production of products using the same equipment, machinery, or employees as used to produce converted rolls of thermal paper, and the combined production capacity on this shared equipment, machinery, or employees in the periods indicated.

Note: Unlike question II-10 below, jumbo roll producers that also convert (cut, slit) their internally produced jumbo rolls should report their conversion capacity and production here. In other words, the focus here is on conversions activities whether your firm is a jumbo roll producer or an independent converter.

"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).

"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.

Conversion (cutting, slitting) machinery

Quantity (in short tons)					
Item	Calendar year			January-March	
	2018	2019	2020	2020	2021
Overall production capacity on conversion (cutting, slitting) machinery¹					
Production of: <u>In-scope converted thermal paper</u> (i.e., converted rolls with a width of less than 4.5 inches and with a basis weight of 70 g/m ² or less)					
<u>Out-of-scope converted thermal paper</u> (i.e., converted rolls with a width greater than or equal to 4.5 inches and/or with a basis weight greater than 70 g/m ²)					
Other products ³					
Total production using same machinery or workers	0	0	0	0	0
¹ Data reported for capacity (first line) should be greater than data reported for total production (last line). ² If your firm is an independent converter, the data reported in this line should exactly equal the data reported for production in question II-10. If your firm is a jumbo roll manufacturer and converter, the data reported in this line should be equal or less than the total production reported in question II-3a. ³ Please identify these products: _____.					

- II-4b. **Operating parameters.**--The conversion (slitting, cutting) capacity reported in II-4a is based on the following operating parameters:

Hours per week	Weeks per year

- II-4c. **Capacity calculation.**--Please describe the methodology used to calculate overall conversion (slitting, cutting) capacity reported in II-4a, and explain any changes in reported capacity.

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- II-4d. **Conversion (slitting, cutting) constraints.**--Please describe the constraint(s) that set the limit(s) on your firm's conversion (slitting, cutting) capacity.

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- II-4e. **Product shifting: Conversion machinery.**—

- (i) Is your firm able to switch production (capacity) between types of thermal paper, between thermal paper and other products using the same conversion machinery equipment and/or labor?

Between products	No	Yes	If yes—(i.e., have produced other products or are able to produce other products) Please identify other actual or potential products.
Lightweight converted thermal paper and heavyweight converted thermal paper	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Converted thermal paper (any basis weight) and other, out-of-scope products	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- (ii) Please describe the factors that affect your firm's ability to shift conversion machinery production capacity between products (e.g., time, cost, relative price change, etc.), and the degree to which these factors enhance or constrain such shifts.

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- II-5. **Share of sales.**--What percentage of your firm's total sales in its most recent fiscal year was represented by sales of thermal paper? _____ percent.
- II-6a. **Firm's estimated share of production in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain.**--Please estimate the percentage of total production of thermal paper in the country specified on the certification page accounted for by your firm's production in 2020. _____ percent.
- II-6b. **Firm's estimated share of country's exports.**--Please estimate the percentage of total exports to the United States of thermal paper from the country specified on the certification page accounted for by your firm's exports in 2020. _____ percent.
- II-7. **Third country trade actions.**--Is the thermal paper exported by your firm subject to antidumping/countervailing duty/safeguard findings, remedies, or proceedings?

No	Yes	If yes--List the products(s), countries affected, and the date of such findings/remedies/proceedings.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- II-8. **Trade data.**--Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of thermal paper in your establishment(s) in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain during the specified periods. Do not include resales of thermal paper that your firm did not produce in this question; those data to the degree they are exported to the United States should only be reported in questions II-11 through II-13.

Do not submit data by manufacturing facility if they are in the same country. If your firm has multiple manufacturing establishments within one country, you are required to combine data for those establishments within one foreign producer questionnaire response.

Do not submit data on multiple countries combined. The establishments reported here should all be located in the country of the firm's address reported on the certification page. Multinational companies with production in multiple subject countries should submit separate foreign producer questionnaire responses for each subject country.

"Average production capacity" or "capacity" --The level of production that your establishment(s) could reasonably have expected to attain during the specified periods for all products manufactured in that establishment using the same manufacturing equipment. 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 establishment(s) in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain, including production consumed internally within your firm.

"Shipments" --Shipments of products produced in your establishment(s) in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain. Quantities reported should be net of returns.

"Home market commercial shipments" --Shipments, other than internal consumption and transfers to related firms, within Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain.

"Home market internal consumption/transfers to related firms" --Shipments made to related firms in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain, including product consumed internally by your firm.

"Export shipments" --Shipments to destinations outside of the country indicated on page 1 (Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain), 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-8. **Trade data: Lightweight jumbo roll production.**--Continued. Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of lightweight jumbo thermal paper in your establishment(s) in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain during the specified periods.

Lightweight jumbo roll production

Quantity (in short tons)							
Item	Actual experience					Projections ¹	
	Calendar year			January-March		Calendar year	
	2018	2019	2020	2020	2021	2021	2022
Average production capacity ² (A)							
Beginning-of-period inventories (B)							
Production (C)							
Home market shipments: Internal consumption/ transfers (D)							
Commercial shipments (E)							
Exports to the United States (F)							
Exports to all other markets ³ (G)							
Total exports (H) (should equal F+G)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total shipments (I) (should equal D+E+F+G)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
End-of-period inventories (J)							
¹ Please explain the basis for your firm's projections. _____. ² The production capacity 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. _____. ³ Identify principal other export markets. _____.							

RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, PRODUCTION, AND INVENTORY.--Generally, the data reported for the end-of-period inventories (i.e., line J) 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, E, F, and G). Please ensure that any differences are not due to data entry errors in completing this form, but rather actually reflect your firm's records; and also provide any likely explanations for any differences (e.g., theft, loss, damage, record systems issues, etc.) if they exist.

Item	Actual experience					Projections	
	Calendar year			January-March		Calendar year	
	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020	2020	2021
B + C – D – E – F – G – J = should equal zero ("0") or provide an explanation. ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
¹ Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate: _____.							

Item	Actual experience					Projections	
	Calendar year			January-March		Calendar year	
	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020	2020	2021
B + C – D – E – F – G – J = should equal zero ("0") or provide an explanation. ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
¹ Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate:							

II-10. **Trade data: Lightweight converted thermal paper production.**--*Continued.* Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of lightweight converted thermal paper in your establishment(s) in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain during the specified periods.

Lightweight converted thermal paper production

Quantity (<i>in short tons</i>)							
Item	Actual experience					Projections ¹	
	Calendar year			January-March		Calendar year	
	2018	2019	2020	2020	2021	2021	2022
Average production capacity ² (A)							
Beginning-of-period inventories (B)							
Production (C)							
Home market shipments: Internal consumption/ transfers (D)							
Commercial shipments (E)							
Exports to the United States (F)							
Exports to all other markets ³ (G)							
Total exports (H) (<i>should equal F+G</i>)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total shipments (I) (<i>should equal D+E+F+G</i>)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
End-of-period inventories (J)							

¹ Please explain the basis for your firm's projections. ____.

² The production capacity 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. ____.

³ Identify principal other export markets. ____.

RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, PRODUCTION, AND INVENTORY.--Generally, the data reported for the end-of-period inventories (i.e., line J) 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, E, F, and G). Please ensure that any differences are not due to data entry errors in completing this form, but rather actually reflect your firm's records; and also provide any likely explanations for any differences (e.g., theft, loss, damage, record systems issues, etc.) if they exist.

Item	Actual experience					Projections	
	Calendar year			January-March		Calendar year	
	2017	2018	2019	2019	2020	2020	2021
B + C – D – E – F – G – J = should equal zero ("0") or provide an explanation. ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
¹ Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate: _____.							

II-11. **Exports of lightweight jumbo thermal paper to the United States not produced by your firm.**-- Report your firm's exports to the United States of lightweight jumbo thermal paper that was produced in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain but not by your firm during the specified periods. Note these data should **not** be included in question II-8.

Lightweight jumbo thermal paper							
Quantity (<i>in short tons</i>)							
Item	Actual experience					Projections	
	Calendar year			January-March		Calendar year	
	2018	2019	2020	2020	2021	2021	2021
Exports of thermal paper to the United States not produced by your firm ¹							
¹ List the producer(s). _____.							

II-12. **Exports of heavyweight jumbo thermal paper to the United States not produced by your firm.** -Report your firm's exports to the United States of heavyweight jumbo thermal paper that was produced in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain but not by your firm during the specified periods. Note these data should **not** be included in question II-9.

Heavyweight jumbo thermal paper							
Quantity (<i>in short tons</i>)							
Item	Actual experience					Projections	
	Calendar year			January-March		Calendar year	
	2018	2019	2020	2020	2021	2021	2021
Exports of thermal paper to the United States not produced by your firm ¹							
¹ List the producer(s). _____.							

- II-13. **Exports of lightweight converted thermal paper to the United States not produced by your firm.**--Report your firm's exports to the United States of lightweight converted thermal paper that was produced in Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain but not by your firm during the specified periods. Note these data should **not** be included in question II-10.

Lightweight converted thermal paper							
Quantity (in short tons)							
Item	Actual experience					Projections	
	Calendar year			January-March		Calendar year	
	2018	2019	2020	2020	2021	2021	2021
Exports of thermal paper to the United States not produced by your firm ¹							
¹ List the producer(s). _____.							

- II-14. **Leuco Dye Shortage.**--Did the leuco dye shortage affect your firm's sales of thermal paper?

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

- II-15. **Other explanations.**--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.

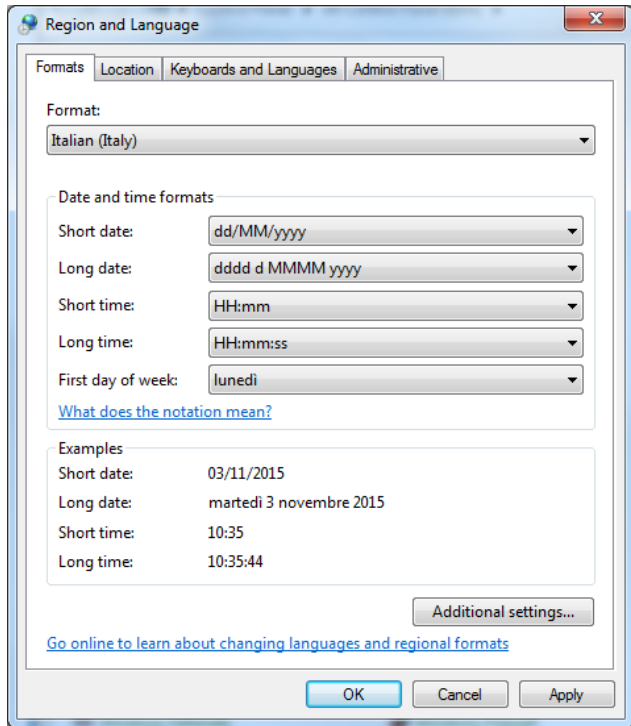
Correcting valid number error messages.--If you are completing a Commission questionnaire in a country that uses periods (".") to delineate multiples of 1000 (e.g., one million would appear as \$1.000.000 instead of as \$1,000,000), you may be unable to enter in numbers greater than 999 in numeric form fields. This issues stem from your computer number formatting setting (e.g., not the MS Word document itself, but the computer from which you are opening up the document). In the United States commas (,) delineate multiples of 1000 and periods (.) delineate fractions less than one. Many EU countries use the reverse where multiples of 1000 are delineated with periods (.) and fractions less than one are delineated with commas (,). The U.S. International Trade Commission's questionnaires are set-up in the United States with the U.S. number formatting. When this formatting interacts with a computer set to EU number formatting, we believe this may cause this issue.

The solution to this data entry issue is to temporarily change your operating system's number formatting to be consistent with the U.S. number formatting system while you complete the questionnaire.

To temporarily change your computer's number settings to U.S. settings, please do the following (for Microsoft Windows Operating system):

- START
- Control Panel
- Region and Language (under Clock, Language, and Region category)
- Format tab
- Change the Format from your existing one (e.g. "Italian (Italy)") to "English (United States)" (see screen shots below)

When you do this the number "twelve million dollars and thirty five cents" would change from \$12.000.000,35 (Italy format) to \$12,000,000.35 (U.S. format), and then there will be no conflict with the USITC foreign producer questionnaire form. When you finish reporting the data then you can close the questionnaire and switch back to Italy settings.



The screenshot shows the 'Region and Language' window with the 'Formats' tab selected. The 'Format' dropdown is set to 'Italian (Italy)'. Under 'Date and time formats', the settings are: Short date: dd/MM/yyyy, Long date: dddd d MMMM yyyy, Short time: HH:mm, Long time: HH:mm:ss, and First day of week: lunedì. A link 'What does the notation mean?' is present. The 'Examples' section shows: Short date: 03/11/2015, Long date: martedì 3 novembre 2015, Short time: 10:35, and Long time: 10:35:44. At the bottom are 'Additional settings...', 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Apply' buttons.

Region and Language

Formats Location Keyboards and Languages Administrative

Format:
Italian (Italy)

Date and time formats

Short date: dd/MM/yyyy

Long date: dddd d MMMM yyyy

Short time: HH:mm

Long time: HH:mm:ss

First day of week: lunedì

[What does the notation mean?](#)

Examples

Short date: 03/11/2015

Long date: martedì 3 novembre 2015

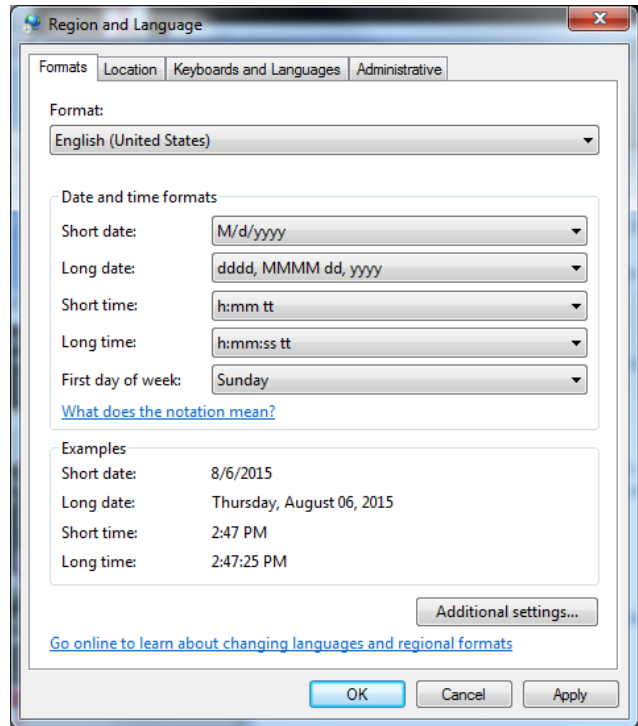
Short time: 10:35

Long time: 10:35:44

[Additional settings...](#)

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OK Cancel Apply



The screenshot shows the 'Region and Language' window with the 'Formats' tab selected. The 'Format' dropdown is set to 'English (United States)'. Under 'Date and time formats', the settings are: Short date: M/d/yyyy, Long date: dddd, MMMM dd, yyyy, Short time: h:mm tt, Long time: h:mm:ss tt, and First day of week: Sunday. A link 'What does the notation mean?' is present. The 'Examples' section shows: Short date: 8/6/2015, Long date: Thursday, August 06, 2015, Short time: 2:47 PM, and Long time: 2:47:25 PM. At the bottom are 'Additional settings...', 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Apply' buttons.

Region and Language

Formats Location Keyboards and Languages Administrative

Format:
English (United States)

Date and time formats

Short date: M/d/yyyy

Long date: dddd, MMMM dd, yyyy

Short time: h:mm tt

Long time: h:mm:ss tt

First day of week: Sunday

[What does the notation mean?](#)

Examples

Short date: 8/6/2015

Long date: Thursday, August 06, 2015

Short time: 2:47 PM

Long time: 2:47:25 PM

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OK Cancel Apply

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This questionnaire is available as a “fillable” form in MS Word format on the Commission’s website at:

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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.

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Web address: <https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/>

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Parties to this proceeding.—If your firm is a party to this proceeding, you are 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).