

U.S. PURCHASERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

DIOCTYL TEREPHTHALATE (DOTP) FROM SOUTH KOREA

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by **March 8, 2023**
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 review of the antidumping duty order concerning DOTP from South Korea (Inv. No. 731-TA-1330 (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 Craig Thomsen (202-205-3226, craig.thomsen@usitc.gov).

Name of firm _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Website _____

Has your firm purchased DOTP (as defined on the next page) from any source (domestic or foreign) at any time since January 1, 2017?

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

☐ **YES** (Complete all parts of the questionnaire, and return the entire questionnaire to the Commission)

Return questionnaire via the Commission **Drop Box** by clicking on the following link:

<https://dropbox.usitc.gov/oinv/>. (PIN: DOTP)

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 or reviews 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.--On August 18, 2017, the Department of Commerce ("Commerce") issued an antidumping duty order on imports of DOTP from South Korea. On July 1, 2022, the Commission instituted a review pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)) (the Act) to determine whether revocation of the order would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to the domestic industry within a reasonably foreseeable time. If both the Commission and Commerce make an affirmative determination, the order will remain in place. If either the Commission or Commerce makes a negative determination, Commerce will revoke the order. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at <https://ids.usitc.gov/case/4434/investigation/8240>.

DOTP covered by this review is dioctyl terephthalate (DOTP), regardless of form. DOTP that has been blended with other products is included within this scope when such blends include constituent parts that have not been chemically reacted with each other to produce a different product. For such blends, only the DOTP component of the mixture is covered by the scope of the order. DOTP that is otherwise subject to the order is not excluded when commingled with DOTP from sources not subject to the order. Commingled refers to the mixing of subject and non-subject DOTP. Only the subject component of such commingled products is covered by the scope of the order.

DOTP has the general chemical formulation $C_6H_4(C_8H_{17}COO)_2$ and a chemical name of "bis (2-ethylhexyl) terephthalate" and has a Chemical Abstract Service (CAS) registry number of 6422-86-2. Regardless of the label, all DOTP is covered by the order.

DOTP is classified in subheading 2917.39.20 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). It may also be imported under HTSUS subheading 2917.39.70 or 3812.20.10. The HTSUS provisions are for convenience and customs purposes; the written description of the scope is dispositive.

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

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 in connection with this proceeding (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 of your 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-1. **Reporting requirements.**--Please report below the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of completing this questionnaire for use by the Office of Management and Budget.

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 40 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 send such comments to the Office of Investigations, USITC, 500 E St. SW, Washington, DC 20436.

- I-2a. **Establishments covered.**--Provide the name and address of 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 DOTP, including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.

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- I-2b. **Stock symbol information.**-- If your firm or parent firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol: _____.

- I-2c. **External counsel.**-- If your firm or parent firm is represented by external counsel in relation to this proceeding, having filed an entry of appearance, please specify the name of the law firm and the lead attorney(s).

Law firm:	
Lead attorney(s):	

I-3. **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-4. **Related producers/importers/exporters.**--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, that produce DOTP, import DOTP into the United States, or export DOTP to the United States?

“Related firm” --A firm that your firm solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled; a firm that solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled your firm; and/or a firm that was solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled by a firm that also solely or jointly owned, managed, or otherwise controlled your firm.

☐ No

☐ Yes--List the following information.

Firm name	Type (i.e., producer, exporter, importer)	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.--

- (a) Please estimate your firm's total U.S. purchases of DOTP in 2022. (Do not include imports for which your firm was the importer of record; such imports should be reported in your U.S. importer's questionnaire.)

Quantity (<i>metric tons</i>)	
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- (b) Report (or estimate) the share of the quantity of your firm's purchases of DOTP in 2022 that were produced in each of the specified countries.

DOTP produced in:	Share of quantity of 2022 purchases
United States	%
South Korea	%
All other countries: ¹	%
Sources unknown	%
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %
¹ Please identify these countries:	

II-2. Purchases before and after order.--

(a) Did your firm purchase DOTP from South Korea before 2017?

☐ No--skip to (c) ☐ Yes

(b) If yes, has your pattern of purchasing DOTP from South Korea changed since 2017?

Source	Check only one per source (row)				Please describe
	No, our pattern of purchasing is essentially unchanged from this source.	Yes, we discontinued purchases from this source because of the order.	Yes, we reduced purchases from this source because of the order.	Yes, we changed the pattern of purchases from this source, but for reasons other than the order	
South Korea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

(c) Has your pattern of purchasing DOTP from nonsubject foreign sources (i.e., countries other than South Korea) changed since 2017?

<input type="checkbox"/>	We did not purchase from nonsubject foreign sources before or after the order.
<input type="checkbox"/>	No, our pattern of purchasing is essentially unchanged.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, we increased purchases from nonsubject foreign sources because of the order.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, but we changed our pattern of purchases from nonsubject foreign sources for reasons other than the order (please explain below).

- II-3. **Changes in purchasing patterns.**--Please indicate whether the shares of your firm's purchases of DOTP steadily decreased, fluctuated but ended lower, were constant, fluctuated but ended higher, or steadily increased since January 1, 2017 from the listed sources.

Source of purchases	Did not purchase	Steadily decreased	Fluctuated down	Constant	Fluctuated up	Steadily increased	Explanation for trend
United States	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
South Korea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<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"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sources unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- II-4. **Country knowledge.**-- Please indicate whether your firm has experience or is otherwise familiar with DOTP produced in the following countries.

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

- II-5. **Supplier identification.**--Please list your firm's **FIVE** largest suppliers for DOTP since January 1, 2017, by quantity. Also, provide the share of the quantity of your firm's total purchases of DOTP that each of these suppliers accounted for in 2022.

No.	Supplier's name	City and state	Share of quantity of 2022 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 DOTP (check all that apply)?

PVC product producer	Other end user	Distributor or broker	Other	Describe "Other"
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

If your firm is a distributor or broker of DOTP, please answer questions III-2 and III-3.

III-2. **Competition for sales.**--Do you compete for sales to your customers with the manufacturers or importers from which you purchase DOTP?

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 you sell DOTP?

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If your firm is an end user of DOTP, please answer questions III-4 and III-5.

III-4. End uses.—

- (a) Have there been any changes in the end uses of DOTP since January 1, 2017 or do you anticipate any future changes?

No	Yes	If yes, explain the changes, noting when these changes occurred or are expected to occur.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- (b) List the top 3 products your firm makes using DOTP and estimate the percent of your total production cost that is accounted for by DOTP and by other inputs (such as labor, energy, and other raw materials).

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

III-5. Demand for end-use products.--

- (a) Has the demand for your firm's final products incorporating DOTP steadily decreased, fluctuated but ended lower, were constant, fluctuated but ended higher, or steadily increased since January 1, 2017?

Steadily increased	Fluctuated up	Constant	Fluctuated down	Steadily decreased
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

III-6. **Substitutes.**—

- (a) Have there been any changes in the number or types of products that can be substituted for DOTP since January 1, 2017?

No	Yes	If yes, explain the changes, noting when these changes occurred.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- (b) Do you anticipate any future changes in the number or types of products that can be substituted for DOTP?

No	Yes	If yes, explain the changes, noting when these changes are expected to occur.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- (c) Has the availability of any substitutes affected demand for DOTP since January 1, 2017?

No	Yes	If yes, noting the substitute product(s), the effect(s), and when these changes have occurred.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- III-7. **Demand trends.**--Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for DOTP has changed since January 1, 2017, and how do you anticipate demand will change in the future? Explain any trends and describe the principal factors that have affected, and that you anticipate will affect, these changes in demand.

Market	Overall increase	Fluctuate up	No change	Fluctuate down	Overall decrease	Explanation and factors
Demand since January 1, 2017						
Within the United States	<input type="checkbox"/>	<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"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Anticipated future demand						
Within the United States	<input type="checkbox"/>	<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"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- III-8. **Country preferences.**-- Do you or your customers ever prefer to order DOTP produced in a specific country or countries over other possible country sources of supply?

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

- III-9. **Importance of purchasing domestic product.**--Please fill out the table below, estimating the share of your firm's total 2022 purchases of DOTP that required DOTP produced in the United States.

	Estimated share of your firm's total 2022 purchases of DOTP
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-10. Business cycles.—

- (a) Is the DOTP market subject to any business cycles, either during the year or across years? If yes, please describe.

No	Yes	If yes, identify the cycle(s), including any changes since January 1, 2017.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- (b) If yes, do you anticipate any changes to the DOTP market business cycle(s) in the next 2 years? If yes, please describe.

No	Yes	If yes, identify the anticipated change(s).
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-11. Conditions of competition.—

- (a) Are there any conditions of competition that are distinctive to the DOTP market other than the business cycles described in the previous question? If yes, please describe.

No	Yes	If yes, please describe, including any changes to the distinctive conditions of competition since January 1, 2017.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- (b) If yes, do you anticipate any changes conditions of competition that are distinctive to the DOTP market in the next 2 years? If yes, please describe.

No	Yes	If yes, identify the anticipated change(s).
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- III-12. **Decisions based on producer and country-of-origin.**-- How often does your firm, and if known your customers, make purchasing decisions involving DOTP based on its producer or country of origin?

	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-13. **Availability of supply.**--Has the availability of DOTP in the U.S. market changed since January 1, 2017? Do you anticipate any future changes?

Availability in the U.S. market	No	Yes	Please explain, noting the countries and reasons for the changes.
Changes since January 1, 2017:			
U.S.-produced product	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Imports from South Korea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Imports from all other countries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Anticipated changes:			
U.S.-produced product	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Imports from South Korea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Imports from all other countries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- III-14. **Availability of specific product types.**--Are certain grades/types/sizes of DOTP only available from certain country sources?

No	Yes	If yes, please identify the countries and the grades/types/sizes available only from those countries.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- III-15. **Supply constraints.**--Has any firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply your firm with DOTP since January 1, 2017 (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"/>	

- III-16. **Purchasing frequency.**--How frequently do you make purchases of DOTP (check one)?

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

- III-17. **Raw material prices.**—

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

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 DOTP since January 1, 2017?

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

- III-18. **Number of suppliers contacted.**--How many suppliers of DOTP do you generally contact before making a purchase? Between ____ and ____ firms.

- III-19. **Supplier negotiations.**-- Do your firm's purchases of DOTP usually involve negotiations between your firm and suppliers of DOTP?

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

III-20. **Change in suppliers.**--Has your firm changed suppliers since January 1, 2017?

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-21. **New suppliers.**--

- (a) Are you aware of any new suppliers, either foreign or domestic, that have entered the market since January 1, 2017?

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

- (b) Do you expect new DOTP suppliers to enter the U.S. market?

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

III-22. **Supplier certification.**--Do you require your suppliers to be or to become certified or qualified to sell DOTP to your firm?

If yes, provide the following information.

- The number of days required 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	Certification/qualification process and factors considered
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

III-23. **Failure to certify.**--Since January 1, 2017, have any domestic or foreign producers failed in their attempts to certify or qualify their DOTP with your firm or have any producers lost their approved status?

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

- III-24. **Major purchasing factors.**--Please list, in order of their importance, the three major factors your firm considers in deciding from whom to purchase DOTP (examples include availability, extension of credit, contracts, price, quality, range of supplier's product line, traditional supplier, etc.).

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

- III-25. **Purchasing factors.**--Please rate the importance of the following factors in your firm's purchasing decisions for DOTP.

Factor	Very important	Somewhat important	Not important
Availability	<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"/>
Discounts offered	<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	<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"/>

- III-26. **Quality characteristics.**--What characteristics does your firm consider when evaluating the quality of DOTP?

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- III-27. **Minimum quality.**--How often does DOTP from the following countries meet minimum quality specifications for your uses or your customers' uses?

Source	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	Don't know
United States	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
South Korea	<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-28. **Frequency of decisions based on price.**--How often does your firm purchase the DOTP that is offered at the lowest price?

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

- III-29. **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 have considered price leaders in the DOTP market since January 1, 2017.

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

For questions III-30 and III-31, if your response differs for particular orders, please indicate and explain the particular effect of imposition and/or revocation of specific orders.

- III-30. **Effect of order.**-- Describe the significance of the existing antidumping duty order covering imports of DOTP from South in terms of its effect on your firm's purchasing operations and on the market for DOTP overall. You may wish to compare your firm's operations before and after the imposition of the orders.

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- III-31. **Effect of revocation of order.**-- Would your firm anticipate any changes in the character of its purchasing operations relating to DOTP in the future or changes if the antidumping duty order on DOTP from South Korea were to be revoked, or on the market for DOTP overall?

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

III-32. **Role of section 301 tariffs.**-- Did the tariffs on Chinese-origin products under section 301, or changes in these tariffs, have an impact on the DOTP market in the United States, including any effects on DOTP cost, price, supply, and/or demand, since January 1, 2017?

Yes — Please indicate the impact in the table below.	No	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Factor	Overall increase	Fluctuate up	No change	Fluctuate down	Overall decrease	Explain, noting how the imposition of tariffs under section 301 affected each factor of the DOTP market in the United States.
Supply of U.S.-produced DOTP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Supply of DOTP imported from China	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Supply of DOTP imported from other countries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Prices for DOTP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Overall U.S. demand for DOTP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Raw material costs for DOTP	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-33. **Role of weather-related events.**--Since January 1, 2017, have any weather-related events impacted the domestic DOTP market?

No	Yes	If yes, please identify these events, including the time frame and impact.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-34. **DOTP sold in different size containers.**—

Does your firm generally purchase DOTP in 20 MT containers (including tank trucks, flexitanks or flexitainers, and/or isotanks) or in bulk (including railcars and bulk liftings)? Check all that apply.

20 MT containers	Bulk	Other	Describe "Other"
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Please describe why your firm generally purchases DOTP this way (*i.e.*, 20 MT containers/bulk/other), including whether the price of DOTP in one form affects whether you purchase DOTP in that form or another.

IV-1. **Interchangeability.**--Is DOTP 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	South Korea	Other countries
United States		
South Korea		
<p>For any country-pair producing DOTP which is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>never</i> interchangeable, please identify the country-pair and explain the factors that limit or preclude the interchangeable use of DOTP produced in the countries:</p>		

- IV-2. **Factors other than price.**--Are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, *etc.*) between the DOTP 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	South Korea	Other countries
United States		
South Korea		
<p>For any country-pair for which factors other than price are <i>always</i> or <i>frequently</i> a significant factor in your firm's purchases of DOTP, identify the country-pair and the relevant factors other than price and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:</p>		

If you are unfamiliar with the product from a particular country, please leave the boxes for those country comparisons blank.

Factor	Product from United States compared to product from South Korea			Product from United States compared to product from other countries			Product from South Korea compared to product from other countries		
	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delivery terms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delivery time	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Discounts offered	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Minimum quantity requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Packaging	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Payment terms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Price ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Product consistency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Product range	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality meets industry standards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality exceeds industry standards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reliability of supply	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Technical support/service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
U.S. transportation costs ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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.

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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HOW TO FILE YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE

This questionnaire is available as a “fillable” form in MS Word format on the Commission’s website at: <https://ids.usitc.gov/case/4434/investigation/8240>

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:** DOTP

- **E-mail.**—E-mail the MS Word questionnaire to craig.thomsen@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 (202-205-1802). A certificate of service must accompany the completed questionnaire you submit (see 19 CFR § 207.7). Service of the questionnaire must be made in paper form.