U.S. PURCHASERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

CRYSTALLINE SILICON PHOTOVOLTAIC CELLS (WHETHER OR NOT PARTIALLY OR FULLY ASSEMBLED INTO OTHER PRODUCTS)

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by <u>August 31, 2023</u>

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 investigation No. TA-201-075 (Second Monitoring), Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic ("CSPV") Cells (Whether or Not Partially or Fully Assembled Into Other Products) ("CSPV products"): Monitoring Developments in the Domestic Industry, under section 204 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. § 2254). The information requested in the questionnaire is needed to supplement data available to the Commission from other sources and is requested under the authority of section 204 of the Tariff Act of 1974. Further information on this questionnaire can be obtained from Andrew Knipe (202-205-2390, andrew.Knipe@usitc.gov). 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)).

Name of firm

City	State Zip C	ode
Website addre	ess	
	urchased CSPV products (e.g, laminates, panels, modules) a e (domestic or foreign) at any time since January 1, 2020?	s defined on the next two pages
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nformation provided in the leneral factfinding investion the undersigned, acknowledged for other processing or other processing for developing the length of length of the length of length	In I also grant consent for the Commission, and its emphis questionnaire and throughout this proceeding in any igations conducted by the Commission on the same or similar every similar to the information submitted in response to this recedings may be disclosed to and used: (i) by the Commissing or maintaining the records of this or a related proceed relating to the programs, personnel, and operations of government employees and contract personnel, solely for a appropriate nondisclosure agreements. I understand that in itted to the Office of the United States Trade Representations of the president and the commission transmits to the president and the commissi	other import-injury proceedings, reviews, or or merchandise. equest for information and throughout this ion, its employees and Offices, and contract ling, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C. cybersecurity purposes. I understand that all the confidential business information that is entative (USTR) and may be included in a
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PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

Background. On January 23, 2018, the President, pursuant to section 203 of the Trade Act of 1974, issued Proclamation 9693, imposing a safeguard measure on imports of CSPV products, in the form of (a) a tariff-rate quota on imports of CSPV (or "solar") cells not partially or fully assembled into other products and (b) an increase in duties on imports of CSPV modules. The proclamation was published in the Federal Register on January 25, 2018 (83 Fed. Reg. 3541). The measure took effect on February 7, 2018, for a period of four years, and was extended for an additional period of four years, or through February 6, 2026. Section 204(a) of the Act requires the Commission to submit a report to the President and Congress on its monitoring of industry developments at the midpoint of the initial period of relief and of each such extension, including the progress and specific efforts made by workers and firms in the domestic industry to make a positive adjustment to import competition. Questionnaires and other information pertinent to this proceeding are available at https://ids.usitc.gov/case/4545/investigation/8408.

<u>Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic ("CSPV") Cells (Whether or Not Partially or Fully Assembled Into Other Products) ("CSPV products").</u>--The articles covered by the investigation are crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, whether or not partially or fully assembled into other products, including, but not limited to, modules, laminates, panels and building-integrated materials.

The investigation covers crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells of a thickness equal to or greater than 20 micrometers, having a p/n junction (or variant thereof) formed by any means, whether or not the cell has undergone other processing, including, but not limited to, cleaning, etching, coating, and/or addition of materials (including, but not limited to, metallization and conductor patterns) to collect and forward the electricity that is generated by the cell.

Included in the scope of the investigation are photovoltaic cells that contain crystalline silicon in addition to other photovoltaic materials. This includes, but is not limited to, passivated emitter rear contact ("PERC") cells, heterojunction with intrinsic thin-layer ("HIT") cells, and other so-called "hybrid" cells.

Articles under consideration may be described at the time of importation as components for final finished products that are assembled after importation, including, but not limited to, modules, laminates, panels, and building-integrated materials.

Excluded from the investigation are CSPV cells, whether or not partially or fully assembled into other products, if the CSPV cells were manufactured in the United States.

Also excluded from the investigation are thin film photovoltaic products produced from amorphous silicon ("a-Si"), cadmium telluride ("CdTe"), or copper indium gallium selenide ("CIGS").

Also excluded from the scope of the investigation are CSPV cells, not exceeding 10,000mm² in surface area, that are permanently integrated into a consumer good whose function is other than power generation and that consumes the electricity generated by the integrated CSPV cell. Where more than one CSPV cell is permanently integrated into a consumer good, the surface area for purposes of this exclusion shall be the total combined surface area of all CSPV cells that are integrated into the consumer good.

The CSPV products covered by the investigation are currently provided for under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS") subheadings 8541.42.00 and 8541.43.00. Prior to January 27, 2022, CSPV products were provided for under HTSUS subheading 8541.40.60. Inverters or batteries with CSPV cells attached can be imported under HTSUS subheadings 8501.61.00 and 8507.20.80, respectively. In addition, CSPV cells covered by the investigation may also be classifiable as DC generators under HTSUS subheadings 8501.71.00, 8501.72.10, and 8501.72.20 when such generators are imported with CSPV cells attached. Prior to January 27, 2022, such DC generators were classified under HTSUS subheadings 8501.30.80 and 8501.32.60. While HTSUS provisions are provided for convenience, the written description of the scope is dispositive.¹

Product Exclusions.—

Presidential Proclamation 9693 excluded the following "low wattage" products from application of the safeguard measure, which took effect on February 7, 2018 (83 Fed. Reg. 3541, January 25, 2018):

- 10 to 60 watt, inclusive, rectangular solar panels, where the panels have the following characteristics: (A) Length of 250 mm or more but not over 482 mm or width of 400 mm or more but not over 635 mm, and (B) surface area of 1000 cm² or more but not over 3,061 cm², provided that no such panel with those characteristics shall contain an internal battery or external computer peripheral ports at the time of entry.
- 1 watt solar panels incorporated into nightlights that use rechargeable batteries and have the following dimensions: 58 mm or more but not over 64 mm by 126 mm or more but not over 140 mm
- 2 watt solar panels incorporated into daylight dimmers that may use rechargeable batteries, such panels with the following dimensions: 75 mm or more but not over 82 mm by 139 mm or more but not over 143 mm.
- Off-grid and portable CSPV panels, whether in a foldable case or in rigid form containing a glass cover, where the panels have the following characteristics: (a) A total power output of 100 watts or less per panel; (b) a maximum surface area of 8,000 cm² per panel; (c) does not include a built-in inverter; and where the panels have glass covers, such panels must be in individual retail packaging (in this context, retail packaging typically includes graphics, the product name, its description and/or features, and foam for transport).
- 3.19 watt or less solar panels, each with length of 75 mm or more but not over 266 mm and width of 46 mm or more but not over 127 mm, with surface area of 338 cm² or less, with one black wire and one red wire (each of type 22 AWG or 24 AWG) not more than 206 mm in length when measured from panel edge, provided that no such panel shall contain an internal battery or external computer peripheral ports.
- 27.1 watt or less solar panels, each with surface area less than 3,000 cm² and coated across the entire surface with a polyurethane doming resin, the foregoing joined to a battery charging and maintaining unit, such unit which is an acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS) box that incorporates a light emitting diode (LED) by coated wires that include a connector to permit the incorporation of an extension cable.

The following additional CSPV products entered, or withdrawn from a warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m., EST, on September 19, 2018 are also excluded from the safeguard measure (83 Fed. Reg. 47393, September 19, 2018):

¹ CSPV products covered by the scope are currently subject to tariff-rate quotas under a safeguard measure imposed effective February 7, 2018, under subheadings 9903.45.21 and 9903.45.22 (CSPV cells) and 9903.45.25 (CSPV modules) and related legal notes.

- off-grid, 45 watt or less solar panels, each with length not exceeding 950 mm and width of 100 mm or more but not over 255 mm, with a surface area of 2,500 cm² or less, with a pressure-laminated tempered glass cover at the time of entry but not a frame, electrical cables or connectors, or an internal battery.
- 4 watt or less solar panels, each with a length or diameter of 70 mm or more but not over 235 mm, with a surface area not exceeding 539 cm², and not exceeding 16 volts, provided that no such panel with these characteristics shall contain an internal battery or external computer peripheral ports at the time of entry.
- solar panels with a maximum rated power of equal to or less than 60 watts, having the following characteristics, provided that no such panel with those characteristics shall contain an internal battery or external computer peripheral ports at the time of entry: (A) Length of not more than 482 mm and width of not more than 635 mm or (B) a total surface area not exceeding 3,061 cm².
- flexible and semi-flexible off-grid solar panels designed for use with motor vehicles and boats, where the panels range in rated wattage from 10 to 120 watts, inclusive.
- frameless solar panels in a color other than black or blue with a total power output of 90 watts or less where the panels have a uniform surface without visible solar cells or busbars.
- solar cells with a maximum rated power between 3.4 and 6.7 watts, inclusive, having the following characteristics: (A) A cell surface area between 154 cm² and 260 cm², inclusive, (B) no visible busbars or gridlines on the front of the cell, and (C) more than 100 interdigitated fingers of tin-coated solid copper adhered to the back of the cell, with the copper portion of the metal fingers having a thickness of greater than 0.01 mm.
- solar panels with a maximum rated power between 320 and 500 watts, inclusive, having the following characteristics: (A) Length between 1,556 mm and 2,070 mm inclusive, and width between 1,014 mm and 1,075 mm, inclusive, (B) where the solar cells comprising the panel have no visible busbars or gridlines on the front of the cells, and (C) the solar cells comprising the panel have more than 100 interdigitated fingers of tin-coated solid copper adhered to the back of the cells, with the copper portion of the metal fingers having thickness greater than 0.01 mm.
- modules incorporating only CSPV cells that are products of the United States and not incorporating any CSPV cells that are the product of any other country.

The following additional CSPV products entered, or withdrawn from a warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m., EST, on June 13, 2019 are also excluded from the safeguard measure (84 Fed. Reg. 27684, June 13, 2019):

- bifacial solar panels that absorb light and generate electricity on each side of the panel and that consist of only bifacial solar cells that absorb light and generate electricity on each side of the cells.
- flexible fiberglass solar panels without glass components other than fiberglass, such panels having power outputs ranging from 250 to 900 watts.
- solar panels consisting of solar cells arranged in rows that are laminated in the panel and that are separated by more than 10 mm, with an optical film spanning the gaps between all rows that is designed to direct sunlight onto the solar cells, and not including panels that lack said optical film or only have a white or other backing layer that absorbs or scatters sunlight.

In this questionnaire submission, please report merchandise that was covered by the Presidential proclamations on the safeguard measure, as well as data for bifacial modules over the entire data collection period regardless of whether they were excluded from duties.

<u>CSPV cell.</u>--A crystalline silicon photovoltaic ("CSPV") cell converts sunlight to electricity and is the basic element of a module. The investigation covers CSPV cells of a thickness equal to or greater than 20 micrometers, having a p/n junction (or variant thereof) formed by any means, whether or not the cell has undergone other processing, including, but not limited to, cleaning, etching, coating, and/or addition of materials (including, but not limited to, metallization and conductor patterns) to collect and forward the electricity that is generated by the cell. Included are photovoltaic cells that contain crystalline silicon in addition to other photovoltaic materials. This includes, but is not limited to, passivated emitter rear contact ("PERC") cells, heterojunction with intrinsic thin-layer ("HIT") cells, and other so-called "hybrid" cells.

<u>CSPV module</u>.--A joined group of CSPV cells, regardless of the number of cells or the shape of the joined group, that are capable of generating electricity. The term "module" is frequently used interchangeably with the term "panel." A "laminate" is a module that does not have a frame.

CSPV products = CSPV cells + CSPV modules

<u>Bifacial.</u>—The term "bifacial" describes CSPV products that absorb light and generate electricity on each side of the cells or modules. For CSPV modules to be considered "bifacial," the modules must consist solely of bifacial CSPV cells that absorb light and generate electricity on each side of the cells. In this questionnaire, data are gathered on both bifacial CSPV modules and bifacial CSPV cells, but only bifacial CSPV modules (or panels) are currently excluded from the safeguard measures.

Reporting of information.--If information is not readily available from your records in exactly the form requested, furnish 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 to respond only once to duplicated questions in the questionnaires.

<u>Confidentiality</u>.--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. § 2252(i)). 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.

<u>Verification</u>.--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 confidential business 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 Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. § 2252(i)) and section 206.17 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 C.F.R. § 206.17). This means that certain lawyers and other authorized individuals may temporarily be given access to the information for use in connection with this proceeding or other import-injury proceedings conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise; those individuals would be subject to severe penalties if the information were divulged to unauthorized individuals.

I-1a.	<u>Establishments covered.</u> Provide the name and address of your U.S. establishment(s) covered by this questionnaire, if different from that listed on the cover page. Firms operating more than one establishment should combine the data for all establishments into a single response. " <u>Establishment</u> "Each facility of a firm involved in the <u>purchase</u> of CSPV products, including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.						
I-1b.	Stock symbol information If your firm or parent firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol:						
I-1c.	<u>External counsel.</u> If your firm or parent firm is represented by external counsel in relation to this proceeding, please specify the name of the law firm and the lead attorney(s).						
	Law firm: Lead attorney(s):						
I-2.	OwnershipIs your firm owned	, in whole or in part, by any other fire	m?				
	No YesList the following information.						
	Firm name	Address	Extent of ownership (percent)				

"Related firm" – A firm that your firm solely or jointly owns, manages, or otherwise controls, including for example, parent companies, subsidiaries owned by the same parent company, and other affiliates.

foreign, that are engagin exporting these iter	ged in importing CSPV products in ns to the United States?	y related firms, either domestic or nto the United States or that are enga
∐ No	sList the following information.	
Firm name	Country	Affiliation
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PART II.--PURCHASES

<u>Contact information.</u>--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) Report, as indicated below, your firm's purchases (either directly or through a sales agent or broker) of <u>CSPV cells (in cell form)</u>. Report based on delivery date, not order date.

	2020	2021	2022	January- June 2022	January- June 2023
Item		Qua	ntity <i>(kilowa</i>	tts)	
Purchases of bifacial CSPV <u>cells</u> produced in: United States					
All other countries ¹					
Total bifacial cell purchases	0	0	0	0	0
Purchases of <i>all other</i> CSPV <u>cells</u> produced in: United States					
All other countries ²					
Total all other cell purchases	0	0	0	0	0
Total cell purchases (all types)	0	0	0	0	0
¹ Please identify these countries:					
² Please identify these countries:					

II-1. <u>Purchases</u>.--Continued.

(b) Report, as indicated below, your firm's purchases (either directly or through a sales agent or broker) of <u>CSPV modules</u>. Report based on delivery date, not order date.

	2020	2021	2022	January- June 2022	January- June 2023
Item		Qua	ntity (kilowa	tts)	
Purchases of <i>bifacial</i> CSPV <u>modules</u> produced in: United States					
All other countries ¹					
Total bifacial module purchases	0	0	0	0	0
Purchases of <i>all other</i> CSPV <u>modules</u> produced in: United States					
All other countries ²					
Total all other module purchases	0	0	0	0	0
Total module purchases (all types)	0	0	0	0	0
¹ Please identify these countries:					
² Please identify these countries:					

Note.--If your answers to questions II-2 and II-3 below differ for CSPV cells or CSPV modules (or some other such breakout), then please explain.

II-2.	Purchases before and after safeguard extension went into effect.						
	(a)	Did your f	irm purcha	se importe	d CSPV pro	ducts befo	re February 7, 2018?
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	(b)	If yes, has 2020?	your patte	rn of purch	nasing impo	orted CSPV	products changed since January 1,
	No, our	pattern of	purchasing	is essentia	lly unchang	ed.	
	Yes, we	discontinue	ed purchase	es of impor	ts because	of the safe	guard measure.
	Yes, we	reduced pu	ırchases of	imports be	cause of th	e safeguar	d measure.
		_	d the patte	-	nases of im	ports for re	asons other than the safeguard
II-3.	Change (a)	Please inc		the shares	of your firn oruary 7, 20		es of CSPV products from different
Source of		Steadily	Fluctuate	No	Fluctuate	Steadily	
-	hases	increase	up	change	down	decrease	Explanation for trend
	ed States						
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	(b) Please indicate how you anticipate the shares of your firm's purchases of CSPV products from different sources will change for the remainder of the safeguard extension period (until February 6, 2026).						
Source	ce of hases	Steadily increase	Fluctuate up	No change	Fluctuate down	Steadily decrease	Explanation for trend
Unite	ed States						
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PART III.--MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES

III-1.	Firm typeWhich of the following describes your firm as a purchaser of CSPV products? Check
	all that apply.

Residential installer
Commercial installer
Utility company/developer
Distributor of cells
Distributor of modules
Module assembler
Distributor of off grid portable consumer goods
Other (Describe:)

Note.--If your answers to questions in Part III differ for CSPV cells or CSPV modules (or some other such breakout), then please explain.

III-2. <u>Demand trends.</u>--Indicate how demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for CSPV products has changed since January 1, 2020 and how 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	Sector	Steadily increase	Fluctuate up	No change	Fluctuate down	Steadily decrease	Explanation and factors
			Demand	d since Jan	uary 1, 202	0	
	Residential						
Within the U.S.	Commercial						
	Utility						
Outside the U.S.	All sectors						
			Antici	oated futu	re demand		
	Residential						
Within the U.S.	Commercial						
	Utility						
Outside the U.S.	All sectors						

III-3. <u>End uses of product types by market segment.</u>--Please estimate the share of each product type used in each of the listed market segments. (*Numbers should total to 100% across*).

Product type	Residential	Commercial	Utility	Total (should sum to 100% across)
Bifacial	%	%	%	0 %
All other	%	%	%	0 %

III-4.	Conditions of competitionHave there been any changes in the business cycles or conditions of
	competition for CSPV products since January 1, 2020?

No	Yes	If yes, describe.

III-5. Government incentives.--Have there been any changes in the level or availability of government incentives for CSPV products since January 1, 2020? In the last column, list or describe the principal incentive programs (e.g., Solar Investment Tax Credit, Section 1603 Program, Renewable Portfolio Standards, Solar Energy Manufacturing for America Act, Inflation Reduction Act, or California Solar Initiative) whose change has affected the CSPV market.

No	Yes	If yes, describe.

III-6. Conventional energy sources.—Have there been any changes in the price of electricity generated from U.S. conventional energy sources affected the price of solar generated electricity since January 1, 2020? Explain any trends and describe the principal factors that have affected these changes in price.

No	Yes	If yes, describe.

III-7.	Availabilit	y of supp	ly
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	(a) Has the availabilit	v of CSPV cells in the l	U.S. market changed sind	ce January 1, 2020?
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Availability of cells in the U.S. market	No	Yes	Please explain, noting the countries and reasons for the changes. <i>Please also note any changes resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic</i> .
U.Sproduced product			
Imports from other countries			

(b) Has the availability of <u>CSPV modules</u> in the U.S. market changed since January 1, 2020?

Availability of modules in the U.S. market	No	Yes	Please explain, noting the countries and reasons for the changes. Please also note any changes resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.
U.Sproduced product			
Imports from other countries			

III-8. <u>Supply constraints.--</u>Has any firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply your firm with CSPV products since January 1, 2020 (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, been unable to meet timely shipment commitments, etc.)? *Please also note any changes resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic*.

No	Yes	If yes, please describe.

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II-9. Availability of specific product typesAre certain wattages/types/technologies/sizes of 0 products available from only certain country sources?							
	No	Yes	If yes, please identify the country/countries and the wattages/types/technologies/sizes.				
III-10.	Change in suppliersHas your firm changed suppliers since January 1, 2020?						
	No	Yes	If yes, please list the supplier(s), whether the firm was added or dropped, the reasons for the change.	and			
III-11.	BankabilityHas the role of bankability in your or your customers' purchasing decisions changed since January 1, 2020?						
	No	Yes	If yes, please describe.				

III-12. Effect of section 232 duties on raw material investigation in April 2018 or the subseque aluminum products beginning in March 20 CSPV products after January 1, 2020?	orted steel and	
Yes —Please indicate the impact in the table below.	No	Don't know

ltem	Steadily increase	Fluctuate up	No change	Fluctuate down	Steadily decrease	Explanation and factors
Raw material costs for CSPV products in the U.S. market						
Prices for CSPV products in the U.S. market						

- III-13. <u>Impact of section 301 duties.</u>--This question concerns the section 301 investigation and subsequent announcement of additional tariffs that include CSPV products proposed and implemented by the United States in response to Chinese trade practices.
 - (a) Did the announcement of the section 301 investigation in June 2018 or the subsequent imposition of tariffs on Chinese-origin products have an impact on the CSPV products market after January 1, 2020?

Yes— Please indicate the impact in the table below.	No	Don't know

(b) Please indicate the impact of the announcements and subsequent imposition of duties under the section 301 investigation.

Item	Steadily increase	Fluctuate up	No change	Fluctuate down	Steadily decrease	Explanation and factors
Overall demand/anticipate d demand for CSPV products in the U.S. market						
Supply/anticipated supply of CSPV products in the U.S. market						
Prices/anticipated prices for CSPV products in the U.S. market						
Raw material costs/anticipated raw material costs for CSPV products in the U.S. market						

III-14. Price related factors.--

(a) Please indicate whether changes in the following factors have tended to increase, decrease, or have had no effect on the price of CSPV products in the U.S. market since January 1, 2020.

Factor	Increased	Decreased	No effect
Competition between U.S. producers			
Level of competition from substitute products (e.g. thin film)			
Level of competition from imports			
Cost of raw materials			
Domestic production capacity			
Allocation of production capacity to alternate products			
Productivity of domestic producers			
Labor agreements, contracts, etc.			
Transportation/delivery cost			
Market patterns			
Demand in the United States			
Demand outside the United States			
State and local government incentives			
Federal government incentives			
Prices of conventional energy			
Technology improvements			
Section 201 Safeguard measures			
Other:	П		

III-14. **Price related factors.--**Continued.

(b) Please rate the importance of changes in the following factors based on their contribution to the price of CSPV products since January 1, 2020.

Factor	Very important	Somewhat important	Not important
Competition between U.S. producers			
Level of competition from substitute products (e.g. thin film)			
Level of competition from imports			
Cost of raw materials			
Domestic production capacity			
Allocation of production capacity to alternate products			
Productivity of domestic producers			
Labor agreements, contracts, etc.			
Transportation/delivery cost			
Market patterns			
Demand in the United States			
Demand outside the United States			
State and local government incentives			
Federal government incentives			
Prices of conventional energy			
Technology improvements			
Section 201 Safeguard measures			
Other:			
(c) Please provide any detailed discussion/elaboration on factors affecting price changes of CSPV products in the U.S. market since January 1, 2020.			

III-15. <u>U.S. producer actions.</u>--Based on your firm's experience, have domestic producers taken the following actions since January 1, 2020? If so, please specify the producer(s) and product(s) involved.

Action	No	Yes	Please explain, noting the producer(s) and product(s) involved.
Introduction of new or innovative product			
Improved product quality			
Expansion of marketing efforts, including ecommerce			
Improvements in customer service			
Other efforts to make a positive adjustment to import competition (please identify)			

PART IV.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

IV-1.	Other explanationsIf your firm would like to further explain a response to any question that did not provide a narrative response box, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below.

IV-2. <u>Reporting requirements</u>.--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 50 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 provide such comments to the Office of Investigations, <u>import injury@usitc.gov</u>.

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/4545/investigation/8408.

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.

• <u>Upload via Secure Drop Box.</u>—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: CSPV

• E-mail.—E-mail the MS Word questionnaire to Andrew Knipe (andrew.knipe@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 their 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 CSPV products, please fill out page 1, print, sign, and submit a scanned copy to the Commission.

<u>Parties to this proceeding</u>.--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 C.F.R. § 206.17). 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 C.F.R. § 206.17). Service of the questionnaire must be made in paper form.