FOREIGN PRODUCERS'/EXPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

CORROSION-RESISTANT STEEL PRODUCTS FROM AUSTRALIA, BRAZIL, CANADA, MEXICO, NETHERLANDS, SOUTH AFRICA, TAIWAN, TURKEY, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, AND VIETNAM

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by <u>September 19, 2024</u>
See last page for instructions regarding how to file this questionnaire.

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its countervailing and antidumping duty investigations concerning corrosion-resistant steel products ("CORE") from Australia, Brazil, Canada, Mexico, Netherlands, South Africa, Taiwan, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, and Vietnam (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-733-736 and 731-TA-1702-1711 (Preliminary)). 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 export	ed CORE (as defined on next page) at any time s	ince January 1, 2021?
NO (Sign the certificatio	n below and promptly return only this page of the qu	estionnaire to the Commission)
YES (Complete all parts of	of the questionnaire, and return the entire questionna	aire to the Commission)
Data reported in this question	naire relates to (Check one):	
AUSTRALIA BRAZII		HERLANDS SOUTH AFRICA
TAIWAN TURKE	Y UNITED ARAB EMIRATES VIET	NMAN
	Commission's secure portal by clicking on t : CORE). See last page for detailed instruct	-
	CERTIFICATION	
nowledge and belief and understand eans of this certification I also gr	n supplied in response to this questionnaire If that the information submitted is subject to ant consent for the Commission, and its em naire and throughout this proceeding in any or r merchandise.	audit and verification by the Commission. By aployees and contract personnel, to use the
roceeding or other proceedings may ersonnel (a) for developing or main views, and evaluations relating to	It information submitted in response to this of the disclosed to and used: (i) by the Commissioning the records of this or a related proceed the programs, personnel, and operations of the programs and contract personnel, solely for the nondisclosure agreements.	sion, its employees and Offices, and contracted eding, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C.
ame of Authorized Official	Title of Authorized Official	Date

PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

Background.—This proceeding was instituted in response to petitions filed on September 5, 2024, by Steel Dynamics, Inc., Fort Wayne, Indiana; Nucor Corporation, Charlotte, North Carolina; United States Steel Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO, CLC, Washington, D.C.; and Wheeling-Nippon Steel, Follansbee, West Virginia. Countervailing and 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 subsidization and/or dumping. Pertinent information to this proceeding is available at:

- Questionnaires: https://usitc.gov/reports/active_import_injury_questionnaires.
- Other case information: https://ids.usitc.gov/case/8223/investigation/8631.

CORE.—For purposes of these investigations, the products covered are certain flat-rolled steel products, either clad, plated, or coated with corrosion-resistant metals such as zinc, aluminum, or zinc-, aluminum-, nickel- or iron-based alloys, whether or not corrugated or painted, varnished, laminated, or coated with plastics or other non-metallic substances in addition to the metallic coating. The products covered include coils that have a width of 12.7 mm or greater, regardless of form of coil (e.g., in successively superimposed layers, spirally oscillating, etc.). The products covered also include products not in coils (e.g., in straight lengths) of a thickness less than 4.75 mm and a width that is 12.7 mm or greater and that measures at least 10 times the thickness. The products covered also include products not in coils (e.g., in straight lengths) of a thickness of 4.75 mm or more and a width exceeding 150 mm and measuring at least twice the thickness. The products described above may be rectangular, square, circular, or other shape and include products of either rectangular or non-rectangular cross-section where such cross-section is achieved subsequent to the rolling process, i.e., products which have been "worked after rolling" (e.g., products which have been beveled or rounded at the edges).

For purposes of the width and thickness requirements referenced above:

- (1) Where the nominal and actual measurements vary, a product is within the scope if application of either the nominal or actual measurement would place it within the scope based on the definitions set forth above, and
- (2) where the width and thickness vary for a specific product (e.g., the thickness of certain products with non-rectangular cross-section, the width of certain products with non-rectangular shape, etc.), the measurement at its greatest width or thickness applies.

Steel products included in the scope of these investigations are products in which: (1) iron predominates, by weight, over each of the other contained elements; and (2) the carbon content is 2 percent or less, by weight.

Subject merchandise also includes corrosion-resistant steel that has been further processed in a third country, including but not limited to annealing, tempering, painting, varnishing, trimming, cutting, punching and/or slitting or any other processing that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of the investigations if performed in the country of manufacture of the in-scope corrosion resistant steel.

All products that meet the written physical description are within the scope of these investigations unless specifically excluded. The following products are outside of and/or specifically excluded from the scope of these investigations:

- Flat-rolled steel products either plated or coated with tin, lead, chromium, chromium oxides, both tin and lead ("terne plate") or both chromium and chromium oxides ("tin free steel"), whether or not painted, varnished or coated with plastics or other non-metallic substances in addition to the metallic coating;
- Clad products in straight lengths of 4.7625 mm or more in composite thickness and of a width which exceeds 150 mm and measures at least twice the thickness;
- Certain clad stainless flat-rolled products, which are three-layered corrosion-resistant carbon steel flat-rolled products less than 4.75 mm in composite thickness that consist of a carbon steel flat-rolled product clad on both sides with stainless steel in a 20%-60%-20% ratio; and

Also excluded from the scope of the antidumping duty investigation on corrosion-resistant steel from Taiwan are any products covered by the existing antidumping duty order on corrosion-resistant steel from Taiwan. See *Certain Corrosion-Resistant Steel Products From India, Italy, the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea and Taiwan: Amended Final Affirmative Antidumping Determination for India and Taiwan, and Antidumping Duty Orders, 81 Fed. Reg. 48,390 (Dep't Commerce July 25, 2016).*

The products subject to the investigations are currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under item numbers: 7210.30.0030, 7210.30.0060, 7210.41.0000, 7210.49.0030, 7210.49.0040, 7210.49.0045, 7210.49.0091, 7210.49.0095, 7210.61.0000, 7210.69.0000, 7210.70.6030, 7210.70.6060, 7210.70.6090, 7210.90.6000, 7210.90.9000, 7212.20.0000, 7212.30.1030, 7212.30.1090, 7212.30.3000, 7212.30.5000, 7212.40.1000, 7212.40.5000, 7212.50.0000, 7212.60.0000, 7225.91.0000, 7225.92.0000, 7226.99.0110, and 7226.99.0130.

The products subject to the investigations may also enter under the following HTSUS item numbers: 7210.90.1000, 7215.90.1000, 7215.90.3000, 7215.90.5000, 7217.20.1500, 7217.30.1530, 7217.30.1560, 7217.90.1000, 7217.90.5030, 7217.90.5060, 7217.90.5090, 7225.99.0090, 7226.99.0180, 7228.60.6000, 7228.60.8000, and 7229.90.1000.

The HTSUS subheadings above are provided for convenience and customs purposes only. The written description of the scope of the investigations is dispositive.

<u>Taiwan, subject imports.</u>--U.S. imports of CORE from Taiwan that are not covered by the scope of the existing antidumping duty order on imports of CORE from Taiwan. Specifically, {a} CORE imports that were produced and exported by Yieh Phui Enterprise Co., Ltd. (Yieh Phui) and Synn Industrial Co., Ltd. (Synn) single entity (collectively, Yieh Phui/Synn) and {b} other imports, typically higher alloy, not covered by the scope of the existing antidumping duty order on imports of CORE from Taiwan.

<u>Taiwan, nonsubject imports.</u>--U.S. imports of CORE from Taiwan that are covered by the existing antidumping duty order on imports of CORE from Taiwan.

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 (i.e., a producer, importer, purchaser and/or foreign producer questionnaire), you need not respond to duplicated questions.

<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. §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.

<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 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.

<u>Valid number error messages.</u>—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 are provided at the end of this questionnaire and are available upon request from Alejandro Orozco (202-205-3177, Alejandro.Orozco@usitc.gov).

I-1.	Reporting requirementsPlease 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

Public reporting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average 30 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, import injury@usitc.gov.

I-2.	<u>Establishments covered</u> Provide the name and address of establishment(s) covered by this
	questionnaire.

" <u>Establishment</u> "Each facility of a firm in the subject country involved in the production or
export of CORE, including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not
physically separate from) such facilities. Firms operating more than one establishment in the
subject country should combine the data for all establishments into a single report.

"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	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.
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No	Yes	If yes, please name the firm(s) below and ensure that they complete the Commission's importer questionnaire.
-4 are pu	ıblicly trad	mationIf your firm or any of the entities reported in questions I-2 throu ed in the United States, please specify the stock exchange and trading merican Depository Receipts, if applicable):
		f your firm or parent firm is represented by external counsel in relation to asse specify the name of the law firm and the lead attorney(s).
Law firm	າ:	

I-7. <u>U.S. importers</u>.--Please provide the names, contacts, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses of the <u>TEN</u> largest U.S. importers of your firm's CORE since January 1, 2021.

	Importer's name	Contact person	E-mail	Telephone	Share of your firm's 2023 U.S. exports (%)
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
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10					

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Alejandro Orozco (202-205-3177, Alejandro.Orozco@usitc.gov). **Supply all data requested on a calendar-year basis.**

II-1.		ation Please identify the responsible indivinf may contact that individual regarding the	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Name		
	Title		
	Email		
	Telephone		

II-2a. <u>Changes in operations.</u>—Please indicate whether your firm has experienced any of the following changes in relation to the production of CORE since January 1, 2021.

Check as many as appropriate.		If checked, please describe the nature, timing / duration, and impact on operations of any such reported changes as well as the business reasons for them; leave completely blank if not applicable
	Plant openings	
	Plant closings	
	Prolonged shutdowns	
	Production curtailments	
	Relocations	
	Expansions	
	Acquisitions	
	Consolidations	
	Weather-related or force majeure events	
	Other (e.g., revised labor agreements, technology)	

II-2b.	COVID-19 pandemicHas the COVID-19 pandemic or have any government actions taken to
	contain the spread of the COVID-19 virus resulted in changes in your firm's supply chain
	arrangements, production, and shipments (including exports to the United States) relating to
	CORE? In your response, please discuss the duration and timing of any such changes as they
	relate to your firm's operations.

No	Yes	If yes, describe these changes including the impact over time on the (a) supply chain and (b) production and shipments with respect to CORE.

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 CORE in the future?

No	If yes, supply details as to the likely timing, nature, and significance of such anticipated changes and describe the underlying assumptions and business reasons for them.

II-3a. Production using same machinery.--Please report your firm's production of products using the same equipment, machinery, or employees as used to produce CORE, and the combined capacity (both installed and practical capacity) on this shared equipment, machinery, or employees in the periods indicated.

"Installed overall capacity" – The level of production that your establishment(s) could have attained, assuming your firm's optimal product mix, and based solely on existing capital investments, i.e., machinery and equipment that is in place and ready to operate. This capacity measure does <u>not</u> take into account other constraints to production such as existing workforce constraints, availability of raw materials, or downtime for maintenance, repair, and clean-up. This capacity measure is sometimes referred to as "nameplate" or "theoretical" capacity.

"Practical overall capacity" – The level of production that your establishment(s) could reasonably have expected to attain, taking into account your firm's actual product mix over the period. This capacity measure is based on not only existing capital investments, i.e., machinery and equipment that is in place and ready to operate; but also non-capital investment constraints, such as (1) normal operating conditions, including normal downtime for maintenance, repair, and cleanup; (2) your firm's existing in place and readily available labor force; (3) availability of material inputs; and (4) any other constraints that may have limited your firm's ability to produce the reported products. Importantly, this capacity measure is the maximum "practical" production your firm could have achieved without hiring new personnel or expanding the number of shifts operated in the period.

"Practical CORE capacity" – The level of production of CORE that your establishment(s) could reasonably have expected to attain. The same assumptions apply to this capacity measure as for practical overall capacity, but only includes the portion of practical overall capacity allocated to the production of CORE based on the actual product mix experienced over the period.

"Production" – All production in your establishment(s) in the subject country, including production consumed internally within your firm and production for another firm under a toll agreement.

Takes into account	Installed overall capacity	Practical overall capacity	Practical CORE capacity
Existing capital investments	Yes	Yes	Yes
Product mix	Yes	Yes	Yes
Normal downtime, maintenance, repair and clean-up	No	Yes	Yes
Existing labor force	No	Yes	Yes
Availability of material inputs	No	Yes	Yes
Actual number of shifts and hours operated	No	Yes	Yes
Limited to CORE	No	No	Yes

II-3a. Production using same machinery.—Continued

Quantity (in short tons)								
		Calendar year	January-June					
ltem	2021	2022	2023	2023	2024			
Capacity measures: Installed overall capacity ¹								
Practical overall capacity ¹²								
Practical CORE capacity ^{3 4}	0	0	0	0	0			
Production of: CORE ^{3 4}	0	0	0	0	0			
Other products ⁵								
Total production using same machinery or workers	0	0	0	0	0			

¹ Data reported for both "installed overall" and "practical overall" capacity should each individually be greater than data reported for total production (last line). Additionally, data reported for "installed overall" capacity should be greater than "practical overall" capacity in every period.

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

Hours per week	Weeks per year

II-3c.	Capacity calculations Please describe the methodology used to calculate installed and practic						
	overall capacities reported in II-3a, and explain any changes in reported capacities.						

² Please provide details in your response to the question on capacity constraints in question II-3d below that explain the differences reported between "installed" and "practical" overall production capacities.

³ Data entered in question II-11 for this indicator will populate here.

⁴ Data reported for practical CORE capacity should be greater than the data reported for production of CORE in each period, if not revise prior to submission to the Commission. Additionally, if your firm reports the production of no other products on the same machinery and using the same workers as CORE then "practical overall" and "practical CORE" capacity measures should be equal to each other.

⁵ Please identify these products: _____.

II-3d. Practical overall capacity constraints.--Please describe the constraint(s) that set the limit(s) on your firm's practical overall capacity over the period reported in question II-3a. If different constraints were binding over different periods reported, please specify when each constraint was limiting your reported practical overall capacity. If a constraint was not actually binding over the period reported, but was still a constraint to achieving the installed capacity level, indicate at what level it would have been binding.

(check as many as appropriate)		Description (If checked, please describe the details, timing, and duration of the constraint; leave completely blank if not applicable)
	Production bottlenecks	
	Existing labor force	
	Supply of hot-rolled steel	
	Supply of cold-rolled steel	
	Supply of other material inputs	
	Fuel or energy	
	Storage capacity	
	Logistics/transportation	
	Other constraints (list the specific constraints in the description field)	

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		<u>erall capacity</u> To the extent that your company is reporting excess insta ease report, with specificity: (1) which machines or equipment (or other e
of prod	uction) woເ	ald need to be brought back into production for your plant to operate at fo
-	y, and (2) th produce C	ne specific dates on which such machines or equipment were last used by ORE.
Product	t shifting.—	
(a)	•	n able to switch production (capacity) between CORE and other products (equipment and/or labor?
		1-
No	Yes	If yes—(i.e., have produced other products or are able to produce oth products) Please identify other actual or potential products.
INO	res	products) Please identity other actual or potential products.

II-5. <u>Capacity checklist.</u>--Please check that the capacity numbers reported in question II-3a follow the Commission's relevant definitions for capacity.

Item	√ if Yes
Are all three capacity measures reported based on <u>currently installed machinery</u> <u>and equipment</u> (i.e., the reported capacity level would not require additional capital investments in order to achieve)?	
Are practical overall capacity and practical CORE capacity measures reported based on <u>existing labor force</u> (i.e., the reported capacity level would not require hiring additional production related workers or adding shifts)?	
Are practical overall capacity and practical CORE capacity measures based on the actual availability of material inputs?	
Do both practical overall capacity and practical CORE capacity measures account for <i>normal downtime, maintenance, repair and clean-up</i> activities?	
Does the difference between practical overall capacity and practical CORE capacity equal the portion of practical overall capacity that is dedicated to the production of out-of-scope products?	

Note: If your firm is not able to answer "yes" to any of the above criteria as it relates to your firm's reported capacity levels, please revise your capacity numbers to be in conformance with the appropriate definition prior to submission to the Commission.

II-6. <u>Hot-rolled steel production</u>.--Does your firm produce the hot-rolled steel used in your firm's production of CORE?

No	If yesReport the share of your firm's production of CORE in 2023 that used hot-rolled steel produced by your firm.

II-7. <u>Cold-rolled steel production</u>.--Does your firm produce the cold-rolled steel used in your firm's production of CORE?

No	Yes	If yesReport the share of your firm's production of CORE in 2023 that used cold-rolled steel produced by your firm.

		at percentage of your firm's total sales in its most recent fiscal year was sof CORE? percent.
	uction of (are of production in the subject countryPlease estimate the percentage of CORE in the subject country accounted for by your firm's production in 2023.
total expo	rts to the	are of exports from the subject countryPlease estimate the percentage of United States of CORE from the subject country accounted for by your firm's percent.
	-	actionsIs the CORE exported by your firm subject to antidumping duty/safeguard findings, remedies, or proceedings?
No	Yes	If yesList the products(s), countries affected, and the date of such findings/remedies/proceedings.

II-11. <u>Trade data</u>.--Report your firm's capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of CORE in your establishment(s) in the subject country during the specified periods. Do not include resales of CORE 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 question II-12.

<u>Do not submit data by manufacturing facility if they are in the same country.</u> 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.

<u>Do not submit data on multiple countries combined</u>. 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.

"Production" – All production in your establishment(s) in the subject country, including production consumed internally within your firm and production for another firm under a toll agreement.

"Shipments"--Shipments of products produced in your establishment(s) in the subject country. Quantities reported should be net of returns.

"Home market commercial shipments"--Shipments, other than internal consumption and transfers to related firms, within the subject country.

"Home market internal consumption/transfers to related firms"--Shipments made to related firms in the subject country, including product consumed internally by your firm.

"Export shipments"--Shipments to destinations outside of the country indicated on page 1 (outside of the subject country), 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-11. <u>Trade data</u>.--*Continued*.

		Quantity	in short tor	1s)			
	Actual experience					Projections ¹	
	Calendar year			January-June		Calendar year	
Item	2021	2022	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025
Practical CORE capacity ² (A)							
Beginning-of-period inventories (B)							
Production of CORE ² Hot-dip galvanized and galvanneal (C)							
55% Al-Zn alloy coated (e.g. Galvalume) (D)							
Electrogalvanized (E)							
Other in-scope CORE products ³ (F)							
Subtotal, in-scope CORE (G)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
Home market shipments: Internal consumption/ transfers (H)							
Commercial shipments (I)							
Export shipments: to the United States (J)							
to all other markets (K) ⁴							
Total exports (L)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
Total shipments (M)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
End-of-period inventories (N)							

³ Please identify these other, in-scope CORE products: _____.

⁴ Identify your firm's principal other export markets: _____.

II-11. <u>Trade data</u>.--*Continued*.

<u>RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, PRODUCTION, AND INVENTORY.</u>--Generally, the data reported for the end-of-period inventories (i.e., line N) should be equal to the beginning-of-period inventories (i.e., line B), plus production (i.e., lines C through F), less total shipments (i.e., lines H through K). 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.

	Actual experience				Projections		
	Calendar year			January-June		Calendar year	
Item	2021	2022	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025
B + C + D +E + F - H - I - J -K - N =							
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-12. Exports to the United States not produced by your firm.--Report your firm's exports to the United States of CORE that was produced in the subject country but not by your firm during the specified periods. Note these data should <u>not</u> be included in question II-11.

Quantity (in short tons)							
	Actual experience			Projections			
	Calendar year			January-June		Calendar year	
Item	2021	2022	2023	2023	2024	2024	2025
Exports of CORE to the United States not produced by your firm ¹							
¹ List the producer(s)	•	•	•				

II-13.	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.

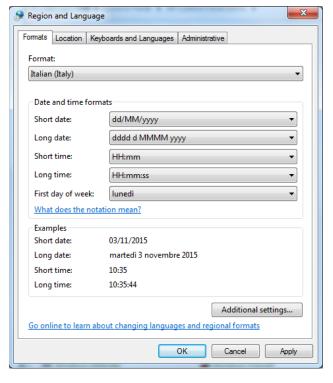
Correcting Valid number error messages.--If you are completing this questionnaire in a country that uses periods (".") to delineate multiples of 1000 (e.g., one million would appear as \$1.000.000 instead of as \$1,000,000), you may be unable to enter in numbers greater than 999 in numeric form fields. 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 (,). This questionnaire is prepared 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.

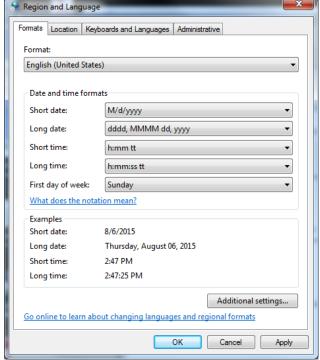
The solution to this data entry issue is to temporarily change your operating system's number formatting to be consistent with the U.S. number formatting system while you complete the questionnaire.

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 your country settings.





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://usitc.gov/reports/active import injury questionnaires.

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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