U.S. PRODUCERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

EPOXY RESINS FROM CHINA, INDIA, SOUTH KOREA, TAIWAN, AND THAILAND

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by <u>December 11, 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 epoxy resins from China, India, South Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-716-719 and 731-TA-1683-1687 (Final)). 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 firm's possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)).

Name of firm

| City | | | State | Zip Code | | | |
|--|--|---|--|---|---|--|---|
| Website | | | | | | | |
| imported or p | urchased epox | y resins (as defined resins into another tates at any time sir | r product that sti | ll matches the | | | |
| □ NO | (Sign the certifi | cation below and pron | nptly return only t | his page of the o | questionnaire to th | e Commission) | |
| YES | | arts of the questionna e questionnaire to the | | r firm's operatio | ons as detailed in q | uestion I-2a below, | and |
| | | he Commission's ortal (PIN: EPOXY | | • | | • | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | CERTIFICATIO | N | | | |
| nowledge and belie eans of this certifi formation provided | f and understa cation I also <u>c</u> in this questic | nd that the informa rant consent for t nnaire and through | oonse to this quation submitted the Commission, | uestionnaire i is subject to a . and its emp | udit and verifico loyees and con | ation by the Com tract personnel, | mission. to use t |
| certify that the injowledge and beliege ans of this certification provided the undersigned, a coceeding or other personnel (a) for deviews, and evaluation and the undersigned of the views, and evaluation and evaluati | f and understal cation I also g in this questic e same or simil cknowledge the proceedings man eloping or man tions relating U.S. governme | nd that the informa rant consent for t nnaire and through ar merchandise. at information sub by be disclosed to a ntaining the record to the programs, a nt employees and a | ponse to this quation submitted the Commission, hout this proceed and used: (i) by its of this or a representation and contract personnel, and contract personnel. | uestionnaire i is subject to a , and its emp ding in any of onse to this re the Commissi lated proceed operations oj | udit and verifice loyees and con her import-injured and con information, its employed ing, or (b) in into the Commission | ation by the Com tract personnel, ry proceedings co mation and throi es and Offices, a ternal investigation including und | mission. to use t nducted ughout t nd contro ons, audi er 5 U.S |
| nowledge and beliej eans of this certifi formation provided e Commission on th the undersigned, a coceeding or other personnel (a) for dev views, and evaluation | f and understal cation I also go in this questice e same or similar cknowledge the croceedings make loping or maitions relating U.S. government ll sign appropri | nd that the informa rant consent for t nnaire and through ar merchandise. at information sub by be disclosed to a ntaining the record to the programs, a nt employees and a | ponse to this quition submitted the Commission, hout this proceed omitted in responsible of this or a repersonnel, and contract personingreements. | uestionnaire i is subject to a , and its emp ding in any of onse to this re the Commissi lated proceed operations oj | udit and verifice loyees and con her import-injur equest for inform on, its employee ing, or (b) in int the Commissio | ation by the Com tract personnel, ry proceedings co mation and throi es and Offices, a ternal investigation including und | mission. to use t nducted ughout t nd contro ons, audi er 5 U.S |

PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

Background.--This proceeding was instituted in response to petitions filed on April 3, 2024, by the U.S. Epoxy Resin Producers *Ad Hoc* Coalition, which is comprised of Olin Corporation, Clayton, Missouri, and Westlake Corporation, Houston, Texas. Countervailing and/or 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 are available at:

- Questionnaires: https://www.usitc.gov/reports/active import injury questionnaires.
- Other information: https://ids.usitc.gov/case/8190/investigation/8552.

Epoxy resins.—The merchandise subject to these investigations are fully or partially uncured epoxy resins, also known as epoxide resins, polyepoxides, oxirane resins, ethoxyline resins, diglycidyl ether of bisphenol, (chloromethyl)oxirane, or aromatic diglycidyl, which are polymers or prepolymers containing epoxy groups (i.e., three-membered ring structures comprised of two carbon atoms and one oxygen atom). Epoxy resins range in physical form from low viscosity liquids to solids. All epoxy resins are covered by the scope of these investigations irrespective of physical form, viscosity, grade, purity, molecular weight, or molecular structure, and packaging.

Epoxy resins may contain modifiers or additives, such as hardeners, curatives, colorants, pigments, diluents, solvents, thickeners, fillers, plasticizers, softeners, flame retardants, toughening agents, catalysts, Bisphenol F, and ultraviolet light inhibitors, so long as the modifier or additive has not chemically reacted so as to cure the epoxy resin or convert it into a different product no longer containing epoxy groups. Such epoxy resins with modifiers or additives are included in the scope where the epoxy resin component comprises no less than 30 percent of the total weight of the product. The scope also includes blends of epoxy resins with different types of epoxy resins, with or without the inclusion of modifiers and additives, so long as the combined epoxy resin component comprises at least 30 percent of the total weight of the blend.

Epoxy resins that enter as part of a system or kit with separately packaged co-reactants, such as hardeners or curing agents, are within the scope. The scope does not include any separately packaged co-reactants that would not fall within the scope if entered on their own.

The scope includes merchandise matching the above description that has been processed in a third country, including by commingling, diluting, introducing, or removing modifiers or additives, or performing any other processing that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of the investigations if performed in the subject country.

The scope also includes epoxy resin that is commingled or blended with epoxy resin from sources not subject to these investigations. Only the subject component of such commingled products is covered by the scope of these investigations.

Excluded from the scope are phenoxy resins, which are polymers with a weight greater than 11,000 Daltons, a Melt Flow Index (MFI) at 200 °C (392 °F) no less than 4 grams and no greater than 70 grams per 10 min, Glass-Transition Temperatures (Tg) no less than 80 °C (176 °F) and no greater than 100 °C (212 °F), and which contain no epoxy groups other than at the terminal ends of the molecule.

Excluded from the scope are certain paint and coating products, which are blends, mixtures, or other formulations of epoxy resin, curing agent, and pigment, in any form, packaged in one or more containers, wherein (1) the pigment represents a minimum of 10 percent of the total weight of the product, (2) the epoxy resin represents a maximum of 80 percent of the total weight of the product, and (3) the curing agent represents 5 to 40 percent of the total weight of the product.

Excluded from the scope are preimpregnated fabrics or fibers, often referred to as "pre-pregs," which are composite materials consisting of fabrics or fibers (typically carbon or glass) impregnated with epoxy resin.

This merchandise is currently classifiable under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading 3907.30.0000. Subject merchandise may also be imported under subheadings/statistical reporting numbers 3907.29.0000, 3824.99.9397, 3214.10.0020, 2910.90.9100, 2910.90.9000, 2910.90.2000, and 1518.00.4000. The HTSUS subheadings/statistical reporting numbers are provided for convenience and customs purposes only; the written description of the scope is dispositive.

Quantity (1,000 pounds).—Unless otherwise indicated please report quantities in thousands of pounds on a total weight basis (i.e., including the weight of the contained epoxy resin molecules as well as any other chemicals or molecules it is mixed with). In other words, if you shipped 560,110 pounds of epoxy resins in 2023, then in the relevant form field you should input 560.

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, and/or purchaser 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>D-GRIDS tool.</u>--The Commission has a tool that firms can use to move data from their own MS Excel compilation files into self-contained data tables within this MS Word questionnaire, thereby reducing the amount of cell-by-cell data entry that would be required to complete this form. This tool is a macroenabled MS Excel file available for download from the Commission's generic questionnaires webpage (https://www.usitc.gov/trade_remedy/question.htm) called the "D-GRIDs tool." Use of this tool to help your firm complete this questionnaire is <u>optional</u>. Firms opting to use the D-GRIDs tool to populate their data into this questionnaire will need the D-GRIDs specification sheet PDF file specific to this proceeding (available on the case page which is linked under the "Background" above) which includes the necessary references relating to this questionnaire, as well as the macro-enable MS Excel D-GRIDs tool itself from the generic questionnaires page. More detailed instructions on how to use the D-GRIDs tool are available within the D-GRIDs tool itself.

I-1a. 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 |
|-------|---------|
| | |

Public reporting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average 55 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-1b. | TAA information releaseIn the event that the U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC) |
|-------|--|
| | makes an affirmative final determination in this proceeding, do you consent to the USITC's |
| | release of your contact information (company name, address, contact person, contact person's |
| | title, telephone number, email address) appearing on the front page of this questionnaire to the |
| | Departments of Commerce, Labor, and Agriculture, as applicable, so that your firm and its |
| | workers can be made eligible for benefits under the Trade Adjustment Assistance program? |
| | |

| Yes | | Nο |
|-------|--|----|
| ו אפכ | | NO |

I-2a. **Type of operations**.--Please identify which type of operations your firm conducts below.

| Type of operations | Description (check all that apply) | |
|--------------------|--|--|
| Production | Your firm purchases or otherwise procures upstream out- of-scope chemical inputs for production and uses a primary chemical reaction ¹ to synthesize the epoxy resins. Your firm may or may not also conduct further processing, including mixing or blending your own U.Sproduced epoxy resin with other chemicals or molecules. | |
| Processing | Your firm purchases or otherwise procures in-scope epoxy resins from another entity (i.e., either domestically manufactured or imported epoxy resins), and your firm conducts further processing of those already in-scope epoxy resins into another form of in-scope product (including formulated epoxy resins) in the United States. Your firm may or may not conduct additional chemical reactions in these U.S. processing operations, but your firm is not creating domestically its own epoxy polymers via a chemical reaction. | |

¹ The primary chemical reaction is one that reacts two or more chemical compounds to yield an epoxy resin in its pure form (e.g., without additives). An example of a primary chemical reaction is reacting epichlorohydrin with bisphenol A to yield bisphenol A diglycidyl ether.

Note: If your firm both produces epoxy resins domestically (whether or not further processed) as well as processes imported or purchased epoxy resins (i.e., conduct activities on purchased epoxy resins that your firm itself has not chemically reacted to produce the epoxy polymers), please separately report on those operations. The following schematic reflect how the Commission is asking firms to report their operations in this questionnaire.

| Item | Production operations with or without additional processing | Processing operations using purchased or imported epoxy resins inputs |
|--|---|---|
| Part I: General information | $\overline{\mathbf{Q}}$ | |
| Part II: Trade and related information | \square | |
| Part III: Financial information | | |
| Part IV: Pricing and market factors | | |
| Part V: Production related activities | | \square |
| Part VI: Processing operations | | $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$ |

I-2b. <u>Establishments covered</u>.--Provide the city, state, zip code, and brief description of each establishment covered by this questionnaire. Firms operating more than one establishment should combine the data for all establishments into a single report.

"Establishment" -- Each facility of a firm involved in the <u>production and/or processing</u> of epoxy resins, including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.

| | olishments overed ¹ | City, State | e Zip (5 digit) | Description | Production | Processing |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|---|------------|------------|
| | 1 | | | | | |
| | 2 | | | | | |
| | 3 | | | | | |
| | 4 | | | | | |
| | 5 | | | | | |
| | 6 | | | | | |
| ¹ A | dditional dis | cussion on esta | ablishments consolid | ated in this questionnaire: | | |
| I-2c. I-2d. | stock exch | nange and tra | ding symbol: | r parent firm is publicly trade - rm is represented by extern | | · |
| . 20. | | | • | of the law firm and the lead a | | |
| | Law firm | : | | | | |
| | Lead atto | orney(s): | | | | |

| 11 | ς | Droducars' | Questionnaire | - Fnovy Re | ocine (Eina | ı١ |
|----|-----|------------|---------------|------------|-------------|-----|
| U | .S. | Producers | Questionnaire | - EDOXV K | esins (Fina | 411 |

| No | <u>\</u> | /es | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| | | | | | |
| Petition supportDoes | s your firi | m support or opp | oose the petition | ns? | |
| Country | Inves | stigation type | Support | Oppose | Tak |
| China | Count | tervailing duty | | | |
| China | Antio | dumping duty | | | |
| India | Count | tervailing duty | | | |
| India | Antio | dumping duty | | | |
| South Korea | Count | tervailing duty | | | |
| South Korea | Antio | dumping duty | | | |
| Taiwan | Count | tervailing duty | | | |
| Taiwan | Antic | dumping duty | | | |
| Thailand | Antic | dumping duty | | | |
| OwnershipIs your firm No Firm name | | following inform | | | parent/o Exten owner (perce |
| | | | | | |

"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.

I-6. Related importers/exporters.--Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or

| No YesList tl | ne following information. | |
|--|--|----------------------------|
| Firm name | Country | Affiliation type |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| of ownership. Related producersDoes you engaged in the production or | of your affiliation, such as the type or firm have any related firms, eith processing of epoxy resins? | |
| of ownership. Related producersDoes you engaged in the production or | r firm have any related firms, eith processing of epoxy resins? | |
| of ownership. Related producersDoes you engaged in the production or No YesList the production of the production | r firm have any related firms, eith processing of epoxy resins? ne following information. | er domestic or foreign, th |
| of ownership. Related producersDoes you engaged in the production or No YesList the production of the production | r firm have any related firms, eith processing of epoxy resins? ne following information. | er domestic or foreign, th |
| of ownership. Related producersDoes you engaged in the production or No YesList the production of the production | r firm have any related firms, eith processing of epoxy resins? ne following information. | er domestic or foreign, th |
| of ownership. Related producersDoes you engaged in the production or No YesList the production of the production | r firm have any related firms, eith processing of epoxy resins? ne following information. | er domestic or foreign, th |

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).

| II-1. | | nationPlease identify the responsible aff may contact that individual regardin | individual and the manner by which ng the confidential information submitted |
|-------|-----------|--|--|
| | 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 epoxy resins since January 1, 2021.

| | | If checked, please describe the nature, timing / duration (specify the exact dates), 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 (e.g., Winter Storm Uri, other winter storms/freezes, hurricanes, energy crises) | |
| | Other (e.g., Build America Buy America Act, revised labor agreements, technology) | |

II-2b. <u>COVID-19 pandemic.</u>--Has 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, employment, and shipments relating to epoxy resins? 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, (b) production and shipments, and (c) employment with respect to epoxy resins. |
|----|-----|---|
| | | |

II-3a. <u>Production using same machinery.</u>--Please report your firm's production of products using the same equipment, machinery, or employees as used to produce epoxy resins, 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 epoxy resins capacity" – The level of production of epoxy resins 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 epoxy resins based on the actual product mix experienced over the period.

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

| Takes into account | Installed overall capacity | Practical overall capacity | Practical epoxy resins 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 epoxy resins | No | No | Yes |

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

| Quantity (in 1,000 pounds) | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|------|------|-------------------|------|--|--|
| | Calendar year | | | January-September | | | |
| Item | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 | | |
| Capacity measures: Installed overall capacity ¹ | | | | | | | |
| Practical overall capacity ¹² | | | | | | | |
| Practical epoxy resins capacity ^{3 4} | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Production of: Epoxy resins ^{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.

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" overall capacity and "practical" overall capacity.

³ Data for this indicator will populate here once reported below in question II-8.

⁴ Data reported for practical epoxy resins capacity should be greater than the data reported for production of epoxy resins 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 epoxy resins then "practical overall" and "practical epoxy resins" capacity measures should be equal to each other.

⁵ Please identify these products: .

| U.S. | Producers' | Question | naire – F | noxy | Resins | Final |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------|------------------|------|---------------|-------|
| $\circ \cdot \circ \cdot$ | 1 100000013 | Question | iliuli C E | PUNT | 11031113 | |

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

| Hours per week | Weeks per year | |
|----------------|--|--------------|
| | | |
| | | |
| | escribe the methodology used to ported in II-3a, and explain any ch | |
| | | - |

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 material inputs | |
| | Fuel or energy | |
| | Storage capacity | |
| | Logistics/transportation | |
| | Other constraints (list the specific constraints in the description field) | |

| U.S. Pi | roducer | s' Question | nnaire – | Epoxy Resins (Final) | Page 14 | |
|---------|--|------------------------------|---------------------|---|--|--|
| II-3e. | Reaching installed overall capacityPlease describe and quantify the amount of time it would and the additional actions that would be needed (e.g., hiring new workers, expanding shifts, procuring larger sources of raw material supply, etc.) for your firm to be able to fully utilize the reported installed overall capacity reported in II-3a. | | | | | |
| II-3f. | specif broug | icity: (1) w tht back int | hich ma to produ | extent that your company is reporting excess capa chines or equipment (or other elements of product ction for your plant to operate at full capacity, and equipment were last used by your plant to produce | tion) would need to be (2) the specific dates on | |
| II-4. | Produ | ıct shifting | | | | |
| | (a) Is your firm able to switch production (capacity) between epoxy resins and other pusing the same equipment and/or labor? | | | | | |
| | | No | Yes | If yes—(i.e., have produced other products or are other products) Please identify other actual or po | = | |
| | | | | | | |
| | (b) | | ne, cost, | the factors that affect your firm's ability to shift cap relative price change, etc.), and the degree to which h shifts. | | |

| II-5. | Capacity checklistPlease 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</u> <u>machinery 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 epoxy resins 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 epoxy resins capacity measures based on the actual availability of material inputs? | |
| Do both practical overall capacity and practical epoxy resins capacity measures account for <u>normal downtime</u> , <u>maintenance</u> , <u>repair and cleanup</u> activities? | |
| Does the difference between practical overall capacity and practical epoxy resins 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. **Tolling**.--Since January 1, 2021, has your firm been involved in a toll agreement regarding the production of epoxy resins?

"Toll agreement"---Agreement between two firms whereby the first firm ("tollee") furnishes the raw materials and the second firm ("toller") uses the raw materials to produce a product that it then returns to the first firm with a charge for processing costs, overhead, etc.

| No | Yes | |
|----|-----|---|
| | | If yes—Please complete the table below. |

| Does your firm act as the toller or tollee in this arrangement? Toller: | Tollee: |
|--|---------|
| Report the share of your firm's production of epoxy resins that was included in this toll arrangement in 2023. | in % |
| Please describe the activities performed in this tolling arrangement: | |
| Please indicate the name(s) of the firm(s) involved: | |

| II-7. | Foreign | trade | zones |
|-------|---------|-------|-------|

(a) <u>Firm's FTZ operations</u>.--Does your firm produce epoxy resins in and/or admit epoxy resins into a foreign trade zone (FTZ)?

"Foreign trade zone" is a designated location in the United States where firms utilize special procedures that allow delayed or reduced customs duty payments on foreign merchandise. A foreign trade zone must be designated as such pursuant to the rules and procedures set forth in the Foreign-Trade Zones Act.

| No | Yes | If yesDescribe the nature of your firm's operations in FTZs and identify the specific FTZ site(s). |
|----|-----|--|
| | | |

(b) Other firms' FTZ operations.--To your knowledge, do any firms in the United States import epoxy resins into a foreign trade zone (FTZ) for use in distribution of epoxy resins and/or the production of downstream articles?

| No | Yes | If yesIdentify the firms and the FTZs. |
|----|-----|--|
| | | |

II-8. **Production, shipment, and inventory data.-**-Report your firm's practical capacity, production, shipments and inventories of U.S-produced epoxy resins during the specified periods.

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

"Commercial U.S. shipments" – Shipments made within the United States as a result of an arm's length commercial transaction in the ordinary course of business. Report <u>net values</u> (i.e., gross sales values less all discounts, allowances, rebates, prepaid freight, and the value of returned goods) in U.S. dollars, f.o.b. your point of shipment.

"Internal consumption" – Product consumed internally by your firm. Such transactions are valued at fair market value.

"Transfers to related firms" – Shipments made to related firms. Such transactions are valued at fair market value.

"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.

"Export shipments" – Shipments to destinations outside the United States, including shipments to related firms.

"Inventories" — Finished goods inventory, not raw materials or work-in-progress.

Note: As requested in Part I of this questionnaire, please keep all supporting documents/records used in the preparation of the trade data, as Commission staff may contact your firm regarding questions on the trade data. The Commission may also request that your company submit copies of the supporting documents/records (such as production and sales schedules, inventory records, etc.) used to compile these data.

II-8. Production, shipment, and inventory data.--Continued

| Quantity (<i>in 1,000</i> _l | pounds) an | d value (<i>in \$</i> | 1,000) | | |
|---|---------------|------------------------|--------|-------------------|------|
| | Calendar year | | | January-September | |
| Item | 2021 2022 | | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Practical epoxy resins capacity¹ (quantity) (A) | | | | | |
| Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (B) | | | | | |
| Production (quantity) (C) | | | | | |
| U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (D) | | | | | |
| Value (E) | | | | | |
| Internal consumption: ² Quantity (F) | | | | | |
| Value ² (G) | | | | | |
| Transfers to related firms: ² Quantity (H) | | | | | |
| Value ² (I) | | | | | |
| Export shipments: ³ Quantity (J) | | | | | |
| Value (K) | | | | | |
| End-of-period inventories (quantity) (L) | | | | | |

¹ Report your firm's practical epoxy resins capacity consistent with the definitions and instructions included in question II-3a.

<u>RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, PRODUCTION, AND INVENTORY</u>.--Generally, the data reported for the end-of-period inventories (i.e., line L) should be equal to the beginning-of-period inventories (i.e., line B), plus production (i.e., line C), less total shipments (i.e., lines D, F, H, and J). Please ensure that any differences are not due to data entry errors in completing this form, but rather reflect your firm's actual records; and also provide explanations for any differences (e.g., theft, loss, damage, record systems issues, etc.) if they exist.

| | Calendar year | | January-September | | |
|---|---------------|------|-------------------|------|------|
| Reconciliation | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| B + C - D - F - H - J - L = should equal zero | | | | | |
| ("0") or provide an explanation.1 | 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:_____.

² Internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued at fair market value. If your firm uses a different basis for valuing these transactions in your records, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, *etc.*):

[.] However, the data provided above in this table should be based on fair market value.

³ Identify your firm's principal export markets:

II-9. <u>Channels of distribution</u>.--Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) of U.S.-produced epoxy resins by channel of distribution during the specific periods.

| y (in 1,000 j | oounds) | | | |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Calendar year January-Se | | eptember | | |
| 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | (| | Calendar year | Calendar year January-S |

¹ Please indicate what are top end use categories or types of end users for your firm's U.S. shipments of epoxy resins:

. End users include entities that produce out-of-scope products from imported or purchased epoxy resins.

<u>RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS.</u>--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines M, N, and O) in each time period equal the quantity reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., line D, F, H) in each time period. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "O"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

| | Calendar year | | | January-September | |
|--|---------------|------|------|-------------------|------|
| Reconciliation | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| M + N + O - D - F - H = zero ("0"), if not | | | | | |
| revise. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

II-10. <u>U.S. shipments by product type and form</u>.--Please provide the quantity and value of your firm's U.S. shipments (inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) of U.S.-produced epoxy resins in calendar year 2023 by product type and form.

| Quantity (1,000 pounds) and | Value (<i>in \$1,000</i>) | | | | |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|
| | Calendar year 2023 | | | | |
| Item | Liquid / Solution | Solid / Semi-solid | | | |
| U.S. shipments: | | | | | |
| BADGE-type epoxy resins, bisphenol-F epoxy resins, | | | | | |
| epoxy solutions, and epoxy blends: | | | | | |
| Quantity (P) | | | | | |
| Value (Q) | | | | | |
| Brominated, novolac, cycloaliphatic and waterborne | | | | | |
| epoxy resins: | | | | | |
| Quantity (R) | | | | | |
| Value (S) | | | | | |
| Multifunctional, aliphatic, glycidyl amine, epoxy- functional modifiers, and all other epoxy resins: | | | | | |
| Quantity (T) | | | | | |
| Value (U) | | | | | |

<u>RECONCILIATION OF U.S. SHIPMENTS BY PRODUCT TYPE AND FORM.</u>--Please ensure that the quantities and values reported for U.S. shipments by product type and form (i.e., lines P, R, S, U, V, and X) in 2023 equal the quantities and values reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines D though I) in 2023. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

| | Calendar year | |
|--|---------------|--|
| Reconciliation | 2023 | |
| Quantity: P + R + T - D - F- H = zero ("0"), if not revise. | 0 | |
| Value: Q + S + U - E - G - I = zero ("0"), if not revise. | 0 | |

Explanation of trends:

II-11. <u>Employment data</u>.--Report your firm's employment-related data in your U.S. establishments related to the production of epoxy resins and provide an explanation for any trends in these data.

"Production and Related Workers" (PRWs) includes working supervisors and all nonsupervisory workers (including group leaders and trainees) engaged in fabricating, processing, assembling, inspecting, receiving, storage, handling, packing, warehousing, shipping, trucking, hauling, maintenance, repair, janitorial and guard services, product development, auxiliary production for plant's own use (e.g., power plant), recordkeeping, and other services closely associated with the above production operations.

Average number employed may be computed by adding the number of employees, both full time and part time, for the 12 pay periods ending closest to the 15th of the month and divide that total by 12. For the January to September periods, calculate similarly and divide by 9.

If your firm had the same number of PRWs in all calendar year and had not experienced any changes in PRWs in the most recent interim period, you would have the same number of PRWs for the interim periods (January – September).

"Hours worked" includes time paid for sick leave, holidays, and vacation time. Include overtime hours actually worked; do not convert overtime pay to its equivalent in straight time hours.

"Wages paid" – Total wages paid before deductions of any kind (e.g., withholding taxes, old-age and unemployment insurance, group insurance, union dues, bonds, etc.). Include wages paid directly by your firm for overtime, holidays, vacations, and sick leave.

| | C | alendar ye | ar | January-September | |
|------------------------------------|------|------------|------|-------------------|------|
| Item | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Average number of PRWs (number) | | | | | |
| Hours worked by PRWs (1,000 hours) | | | | | |
| Wages paid to PRWs (\$1,000) | | | | | |

| lated firms (e.g., joint venture, wholly owned subsidiary), whether the transfers were priced arket value or by a non-market formula, whether your firm retained marketing rights to all ansfers, and whether the related firms also processed inputs from sources other than your m. |
|---|
| ra |

| II-13. | <u>Purchases</u> Has your firm purchased epoxy resins produced in the United States or in other |
|--------|---|
| | countries since January 1, 2021? (Do not include imports for which your firm was the importer |
| | of record. These should be reported in an importer questionnaire.) |

"Purchase" – A transaction to buy product from a U.S. corporate entity such as another U.S. producer, a U.S. distributor, or a U.S. firm that has directly imported the product.

"Import" —A transaction to buy from a foreign supplier where your firm is the importer of record.

| No | If yesReport such purchases in the table below and explain the reasons for your firms' purchases. |
|----|---|
| | |

Note: If your firm served as the importer of record for any purchases from foreign suppliers, either for your own account or as a service for another entity, those purchases are to be considered "imports" not "purchases" and **should not** be included in the table below.

| (0 | Quantity in 1,0 | 00 pounds) | | | |
|---|-----------------|--------------|------|------------|---------|
| | Ca | alendar year | | January-Se | ptember |
| Item | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Purchases from U.S. importers of epoxy resins from— China | | | | | |
| India | | | | | |
| South Korea | | | | | |
| Taiwan | | | | | |
| Thailand | | | | | |
| Subject sources | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| All other sources ¹ | | | | | |
| Purchases from domestic producers ² | | | | | |
| Purchases from other sources ³ | | | | | |
| Purchases from all sources | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |

² Please list the name of the U.S. producer(s) from which your firm purchased this product: _____.

³ Please list the name of the firm(s) from which your firm purchased this product: _____.

II-14. Purchases of imports from subject sources.--If your firm reported purchases from U.S. importers of epoxy resins from China, India, South Korea, Taiwan, and/or Thailand at any time since January 1, 2021, report those purchases by the individual importer of record and subject source.

Purchases of subject imports

| | Quantity (in 1,000 pounds) | | | | | |
|--------------------|----------------------------|------|---------------|------|-------------------|------|
| | | (| Calendar year | | January-September | |
| Importer of record | Subject source | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Grand total: | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

RECONCILIATION OF PURCHASES FROM SUBJECT SOURCES.--Please ensure that the quantities reported for your firms purchases of imports from subject sources reported in this question (i.e., "total purchases of imports from subject sources") in each time period equal the quantity reported for your firm's purchases from subject sources in each time period in the previous question. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

| | | Calendar yea | r | January-S | eptember |
|--|------|--------------|------|-----------|----------|
| Reconciliation | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Purchases from subject sources in this | | | | | |
| table – purchases from subject sources | | | | | |
| in previous table = zero ("0"), if not | | | | | |
| revise. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| II-15. ImportsSince January 1, 2021, has your firm imported epoxy r | v resins ! |
|---|------------|
|---|------------|

| No | Yes | |
|----|-----|---|
| | | If yes <u>COMPLETE AND RETURN A U.S. IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE</u> |

| II-16. | Other explanationsIf 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. |
|--------|---|
| | |

PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Name

III-2.

Address questions on this part of the questionnaire to Jennifer Brinckhaus (20-205-3188, jennifer.brinckhaus@usitc.gov).

III-1. <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 Part III.

| Title | | |
|--------|--|--|
| Email | | |
| Teleph | none | |
| Accou | nting system.—Briefly describe your firm's financial accounting system. | |
| A.1. | When does your firm's fiscal year end (month and day)? | |
| | If your firm's fiscal year changed since January 1, 2021, explain below: | |
| A.2. | Note: Calendar-year data are required for the annual-year financial data in this section (i.e., in questions III-9a, III-9d, III-12a, and III-13a). However, if providing this data on a calendar-year basis is unduly burdensome or provides results that are not reliable, fiscal-year based data are acceptable. Please indicate whether the results in this section are provided on a calendar-year basis (including firms with a calendar-year based fiscal year) or on a fiscal-year basis that does not align with the calendar year. Calendar-year basis Fiscal-year basis (does not align with the calendar year) | |
| B.1. | Describe the lowest level of operations (e.g., plant, division, company-wide) for which financial statements are prepared that include epoxy resins: | |
| B.2. | Does your firm prepare profit/loss statements for epoxy resins: No | |
| B.3. | Please indicate the type and frequency (if applicable) of financial statements prepared by your firm. Please check relevant items below. | |

| | | | Frequ | iency | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------|------------|
| Financial statements | Check all that apply | Monthly | Quarterly | Semi- annually | Annually |
| | that apply | IVIOIILIIIY | Quarterly | ailliually | Allitually |
| Audited | | | | | |
| Unaudited | | | | | |
| Annual reports | | | | | |
| SEC Forms 10-K / 10-Q | | | | | |
| SEC Form 20-F | | | | | |
| Other (specify): | | | | | |

B.4. Please indicate the primary accounting basis used by your firm.

| Accounting basis | Check one |
|------------------|-----------|
| U.S. GAAP | |
| IFRS | |
| Tax – cash | |
| Tax – accrual | |
| Other (specify): | |

| 111-5. | cost, job order cost, etc.). |
|--------|------------------------------|
| | |

III-4. **Product listing.**—Please list the products your firm produces in the facilities in which it produces epoxy resins and provide the share of net sales accounted for by these products in 2023.

| Products | Share of sales in 2023 |
|--------------|------------------------|
| Epoxy resins | % |
| | % |
| | % |
| | % |
| | % |

| U.S. Pr | oducers' Qı | uestionna | ire – Epoxy | Resins (Final) | | | Page 27 |
|---------|--|-------------|--------------------|--|--------------------|----------------|-------------|
| III-5. | <u>Inputs from related suppliers.</u> —Does your firm purchase inputs (raw materials, labor, energy, or any services) used in the production of epoxy resins from any related suppliers (e.g., inclusive of transactions between related firms, divisions and/or other components within the same company)? | | | | | | |
| | YesC | ontinue to | o question I | II-6. NoContinu | e to question III- | -8a. | |
| III-6. | resins tha | t your firn | n purchases | —Please identify the inpus from related suppliers are report this information | nd that are refle | cted in quest | |
| | laast | | | Deleted complian | | Share of to | |
| | Input | | | Related supplier | | COGS in 20 | % |
| | | | | | | | % |
| | | | | | | | % |
| | | | | | | | % |
| | the narrat | ive box. | | differs by input, please chost valuation method | | Check all t | |
| | Related | supplier's | | | | | |
| | Cost plus | | | | | | |
| | Negotiat | ed transfe | er price to a | pproximate fair market va | alue | | |
| | Other (specify): | | | | | | |
| | If the me | ethods use | ed differ by | input, please describe: | | | |
| III-7b. | purchased | d from rela | ated supplie | outs from related supplied ers, as identified in III-6, we onsistent with the firm's a | ere reported in | III-9a (financ | ial results |
| | Yes | No | If no—Pro | vide an explanation and t n III-9a. | he valuation bas | sis used for t | hese inputs |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

III-8. Cost assignment/allocation basis.—Briefly describe the assignment/allocation bases used by your firm to assign the costs and expenses listed below for epoxy resins in the normal course of business and in the financial results reported in question III-9a (e.g., actual costs, standard costs, percentage of COGS, percentage of sales, etc.).

| | Assignment/allocation bases used for epoxy resin | | | | |
|-----------------------|--|------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Cost/expense | In the normal course of business | In the financial results at III-9a | | | |
| Raw materials | | | | | |
| Direct labor | | | | | |
| Other factory costs | | | | | |
| SG&A expenses | | | | | |
| Interest expense | | | | | |
| Other income/expenses | | | | | |

III-9a. Operations on epoxy resins.—Report the revenue and related cost information requested below on the epoxy resins operations of your firm's U.S. establishment(s). Include only sales (whether domestic or exports) and costs related to your U.S. manufacturing operations. Do not report any revenue or cost data related to the resale of purchased product. Note: Table III-9a financial results should include all material non-recurring items (charges and/or gains) related to 2021 Winter Storm Uri/Texas Freeze.

Net sales—Report all commercial sales, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms, whether these are domestic sales or exports. Report net sales values less discounts, returns, allowances, and prepaid freight, in U.S. dollars, f.o.b. your point of shipment. The freight costs associated with delivering the product to your customer should not be included.

Note: If the financial data are reported on a calendar-year basis, the total net sales quantities and values should match the total shipment quantities and values reported in Part II of this questionnaire (see question III-14 for a reconciliation grid).

Internal consumption—Product consumed internally by your firm. Report internal consumption at fair market value even if this is not how these transactions are valued in your own books and records. This would commonly be estimated based on the company's commercial sales of similar product or market knowledge.

Transfers to related firms—Sales made to related firms. Report transfers to related firms at fair market value even if this is not how these transactions are valued in your own books and records. This would commonly be estimated based on the company's commercial sales of similar product or market knowledge.

Costs and expenses—Include costs and expenses associated with all reported net sales (i.e., for both domestic and export commercial sales, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms). If any freight costs were removed from net sales values, ensure the associated costs are removed from the applicable cost/expense line.

Inputs from related suppliers—Any inputs purchased from related suppliers should be reported in a manner consistent with your firm's accounting books and records.

Note: As requested in Part I of this questionnaire, please keep all supporting documents/records used in the preparation of the financial data, as Commission staff may contact your firm regarding questions on the financial data. The Commission may also request that your company submit copies of the supporting documents/records (financial statements, including internal profit-and-loss statements for the division or product group that includes epoxy resins, as well as specific statements and worksheets) used to compile these data.

III-9a. **Operations on epoxy resins**.—*Continued*

| Quantity (<i>in 1,000 pounds)</i> and value (in \$1,000) | | | | | | |
|---|------|---------------|-----------|----------|------|--|
| | | Calendar year | January-S | eptember | | |
| Item | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 | |
| Net sales quantities: Commercial sales | | | | | | |
| Internal consumption | | | | | | |
| Transfers to related firms | | | | | | |
| Total net sales quantities | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Net sales values: Commercial sales | | | | | | |
| Internal consumption | | | | | | |
| Transfers to related firms | | | | | | |
| Total net sales values | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Cost of goods sold (COGS): Raw materials | | | | | | |
| Direct labor | | | | | | |
| Other factory costs | | | | | | |
| Total COGS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Gross profit or (loss) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| SG&A expenses | | | | | | |
| Operating income (loss) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Other expenses and income: Interest expense | | | | | | |
| All other expense items | | | | | | |
| All other income items | | | | | | |
| Net income or (loss) before income taxes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

| III-9b. | <u>Financial data reconciliation</u> Certain line items from question III-9a, including total net sales |
|---------|---|
| | quantities and values, total COGS, gross profit (or loss), operating profit (or loss), and net |
| | income (or loss), have been calculated based on the data submitted for other line items. Are the |
| | data in these calculated line items correct according to your firm's financial records ignoring |
| | non-material differences that may arise due to rounding? |

| | | If noIf the calculated line items do not show the correct data, please double check the feeder data for data entry errors and revise. Also, check signs accorded to the post operating income line items. The two expense line items should report positive numbers (i.e., expenses are positive, and incomes or reversals are negative in these lines – instances of the latter should be rare in these lines). The income line item should also, in most instances, be a positive number (i.e., income is positive, and expenses or reversals are negative in this line). If, after reviewing and potentially revising the feeder data your firm has |
|-----|----|--|
| Yes | No | provided, the differences between your records and the calculated line items persist, please identify and discuss the differences in the space below. |
| | | |

| 11 | ς | Droducars' | Questionnaire | - Fnovy Re | ocine (Eina | ı١ |
|----|-----|------------|---------------|------------|-------------|-----|
| U | .S. | Producers | Questionnaire | - EDOXV K | esins (Fina | 411 |

| III-9c. | Raw materials.—Please report the share of total raw material costs in 2023 (reported in III-9a) |
|---------|---|
| | for the following raw material inputs: |

| | | Procureme | ent method | | | |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Input | Share of total raw material costs (percent) | Primarily produced by your firm | Primarily purchased by your firm | | | |
| Bisphenol A | | | | | | |
| Epichlorohydrin | | | | | | |
| Other raw material inputs ¹ | | | | | | |
| Total (should sum to 100 percent) | 0.0 | | | | | |
| ¹ If there are notable or significant raw material inputs included within the "other material inputs" category, please list those here and provide the share of the total raw material costs for which they account: | | | | | | |

III-9d. <u>Depreciation expense</u>.—Please report the amount of depreciation expense that is included within the reported financial results at question III-9a.

| | | Calendar year | January-September | | |
|-----------------------------------|------|---------------|-------------------|------|------|
| Item | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Depreciation expense (in \$1,000) | | | | | |

| III-9e. | <u>Depreciation expense classification</u> .—Please indicate the line item(s) within question III-9a (e.g., other factory costs, SG&A expenses, etc.) that include the depreciation expense reported above. |
|---------|---|
| | |

III-10a. Nonrecurring items (charges and gains) included in the epoxy resins financial results.—Please report all material (significant) nonrecurring items (charges and gains) that are included in the reported results at question III-9a. If a nonrecurring item that is not product-specific was allocated to the results at question III-9a, please report the allocated value, below, rather than the aggregate amount. Note: Table III-9a financial results should include all material non-recurring items related to 2021 Winter Storm Uri/Texas Freeze. As applicable, separately report/specify the material non-recurring charges/expenses incurred due to Winter Storm Uri/Texas Freeze, as well as material non-recurring gains/income (e.g., insurance settlements) reported in other income or otherwise, included III-9a financial results.

Note: The Commission's objective here is to gather information on <u>material (significant)</u> nonrecurring items which impacted the reported financial results for epoxy resins in question III-9a.

| | | | Calendar yea | r | January-S | eptember |
|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------|--------------|------|-----------|----------|
| | | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Item | | Value (<i>\$1,000</i>) | | | | |
| Nonrecurring items specific | 1 | | | | | |
| to Winter Storm Uri/Texas | 2 | | | | | |
| Freeze | 3 | | | | | |
| | 4 | | | | | |
| Other nonrecurring item | 5 | | | | | |
| Other nonrecurring item | 6 | | | | | |
| Other nonrecurring item | 7 | | | | | |
| Other nonrecurring item | 8 | | | | | |
| Other nonrecurring item | 9 | | | | | |

III-10b. Nonrecurring items (charges and gains) included in the epoxy resins financial results.—In this table, please provide a brief description of each nonrecurring item reported above and indicate the specific line item within question III-9a in which the nonrecurring item is classified.

| ltem | | Description of the nonrecurring item | Location (i.e., line item) within question III-9a |
|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| Nonrecurring items specific | 1 | | 4 |
| to Winter Storm Uri/Texas | 2 | | |
| Freeze | 3 | | |
| | 4 | | |
| Other nonrecurring item | 5 | | |
| Other nonrecurring item | 6 | | |
| Other nonrecurring item | 7 | | |
| Other nonrecurring item | 8 | | |
| Other nonrecurring item | 9 | | - |

| III-11. | Classification of identified nonrecurring items (charges and gains) in the accounting books and records of the company.—If non-recurring items were reported in question III-10 above, please identify where your company recorded these items in your accounting books and records in the normal course of business, just as responses to question III-10 identify the specific line items in question III-9a where these items are reported. | | | | |
|----------|---|------|---------------------|---------------|--|
| III-12a. | Asset values.—Report the total assets (i.e., both current and long-term assets) associated with the production, warehousing, and sale of epoxy resins. If your firm does not maintain some or all of the specific asset information necessary to calculate total assets for epoxy resins in the normal course of business, please estimate this information based upon a method (such as production, sales, or costs) that is consistent with relevant cost allocations used in question III-9a. Note: Total assets should reflect the net amount of assets (i.e., after any accumulated depreciation and allowances deducted) and should be allocated to epoxy resins if these assets are also related to other products. | | | | |
| | Value (<i>in \$1,000</i>) | | | | |
| | | | Calendar year ended | d | |
| | Item | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | |
| | Total assets (net) | | | | |
| III-12b. | . <u>Description of asset values</u> .—Please provide explanations for any substantial changes in total asset value during the period; e.g., due to write-offs, major purchases, and revaluations. Also describe the main asset categories (both current and long-term) included in the above response. | | | | |
| III-13a. | Capital expenditures and rescapital expenditures and rescapital | _ | | | |

| Value (<i>in \$1,000</i>) | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------|------|-------------------|------|--|
| | Calendar years | | | January-September | | |
| Item | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 | |
| Capital expenditures | | | | | | |
| R&D expenses | | | | | | |

| III-13b. | <u>Description of reported capital expenditures</u> .—Please describe the nature, focus, and significance of your firm's reported capital expenditures. If no capital expenditure data were reported, please explain the reason. | | | |
|----------|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | |
| III-13c. | <u>Description of reported R&D expenses</u> .—Please describe the nature, focus, and significance of your firm's reported R&D expenses. | | | |
| | | | | |

III-14a. <u>Data consistency and reconciliation</u>.—The quantities and values of total net sales reported in question III-9a should reconcile with the total shipments reported in question II-8 (including export shipments) for the annual-year periods as long as they are reported on the same calendar-year basis. The interim-period data should reconcile whether the financial data are on a calendar- or fiscal-year basis.

If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0") this indicates the total net sales quantities and values do not match the total shipments quantities and values.

| | | Calendar years | January-September | | |
|---|------|----------------|-------------------|------|------|
| Reconciliation | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Quantity: Trade data from question II-8 (lines D, F, H, and J) less financial total net sales quantity data from question III-9a, = zero ("0"). | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Value: Trade data from question II-8 (lines E, G, I, and K) less financial total net sales value data from question III-9a, = zero ("0"). | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| • | is the illiancial data in question in-9a repoi | rted off a calefidat-year basis: |
|---|--|----------------------------------|
| | Yes—Complete question III-14b. | No— Continue to question III-15. |

| | question | III-9a red | | the data in quest | -year based financial data).—Do the data in cion II-8 (i.e., the calculated fields are returning |
|-----------|----------|-------------------|---|--------------------------|--|
| Yes No If | | If no, please exp | lain. | | |
| | | | | | |
| describe | | fferences | s and, as app | | 5, III-16, and III-17 differ by country, please which country or countries your response refers |
| III-15. | negative | effects o | n its return (| on investment o | uary 1, 2021, has your firm experienced any actual rethe scale of capital investments as a result of the Korea, Taiwan, and/or Thailand? |
| | No | Yes | | | |
| | | | If yes, my firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows: | | |
| | | (checi | k as many as | s appropriate) | (please describe) |
| | | | Cancellation, postponement, or rejection of expansion projects | | |
| | | | Denial or rejection of investment proposal | | |
| | | | Reduction in the size of capital investments | | |
| | | | Return on s investment impacted | specific s negatively | |
| | | | Other | | |

| 115 | Producers' | Ouestion | naire - | - Fnovy | Racine | (Final) |
|------|------------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|
| U.S. | ribuuceis | Question | ııaıı e - | – EDUXV | resilis | ırıılaı |

| III-16. | Effects of imports on growth and development.—Since January 1, 2021, has your firm |
|---------|---|
| | experienced any actual negative effects on its growth, ability to raise capital, or existing |
| | development and production efforts (including efforts to develop a derivative or more advanced version of the product) as a result of imports of epoxy resins from China, India, South Korea, |
| | Taiwan, and/or Thailand? |
| | |

| 0 | Yes | | |
|---|-------|---|----------------------------------|
|] | | If yes, my firm has experienced act | ual negative effects as follows: |
| | (ched | ck as many as appropriate) | (please describe) |
| | | Rejection of bank loans | |
| | | Lowering of credit rating | |
| | | Problem related to the issue of stocks or bonds | |
| | | Ability to service debt | |
| | | Other | |

III-17. <u>Anticipated effects of imports</u>.—Does your firm anticipate any negative effects due to imports of epoxy resins from China, India, South Korea, Taiwan, and/or Thailand?

| No | Yes | If yes, my firm anticipates negative effects as follows: |
|----|-----|--|
| | | |

| III-18. | Effects on financial performance of COVID-19.—Has the COVID-19 pandemic, or any |
|---------|---|
| | government actions taken to contain the spread of the COVID-19 virus, affected the financial |
| | performance of your firm's operations on epoxy resins as reported in question III-9a? In your |
| | response, please include the duration and timing of any impacts as they relate to your firm's |
| | financial performance. |

| No | Yes | If yes, please describe these effects. |
|----|-----|--|
| | | |

| III-19. | Other explanations.—If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part III 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. |
|---------|--|
| | |

PART IV.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Tana von Kessler (202-205-2389, tana.vonkessler@usitc.gov).

IV-1. <u>Contact information</u>.--Please identify the individual that Commission staff may contact regarding the confidential information submitted in Part IV.

| Name | |
|-----------|--|
| Title | |
| Email | |
| Telephone | |

PRICE DATA

- IV-2. This question requests quarterly quantity and value data for your firm's commercial shipments to unrelated U.S. customers since January 1, 2021 of the following products produced by your firm.
 - **Product 1.--** Bisphenol A liquid epoxy resin, basic commodity grade (i.e., D.E.R. 331, EPON 828, KER 828, YD 128, NPEL128, BE-188, and SM 828), sold in bulk (ISO Tanks or Tank Truck).
 - **Product 2.--** Bisphenol A liquid epoxy resin, basic commodity grade (i.e., D.E.R. 331, EPON 828, KER 828, YD 128, NPEL128, BE-188, and SM 828), sold in packages (Totes, Intermediate Bulk Containers ("IBC's"), or drums).
 - Product 3.--Bisphenol A solid epoxy resin, Type 3, Epoxy Equivalent Weight ("EEW") based on solids range between 700-850 g/eq (i.e., D.E.R. 663U, D.E.R. 663UE, EPON 2003, KD 213, KD 243C, KER 3033, NPES 903H, BE 503, YD 903).
 - **Product 4.-**-Bisphenol A solid epoxy resin, Type 4, Epoxy Equivalent Weight ("EEW") based on solids range between 800-1,000 g/eq (i.e., D.E.R. 664UE, EPON 2004, KD 214L, NPES 904H, BE 504H).

Please note that values should be <u>f.o.b.</u>, <u>U.S.</u> <u>point of shipment</u> and should remove any U.S.-inland transportation costs. Values should reflect the *final net* amount paid to your firm (i.e., should be net of all deductions for discounts or rebates).

IV-2a. During January 2021-September 2024, did your firm produce and sell to unrelated U.S. customers any of the above listed products (or any products that were competitive with these products)?

| YesPlease complete the following pricing data table as appropriate. |
|---|
| NoSkip to question IV-3. |

IV-2b. Price data.--Report below the quarterly price data¹ for pricing products² produced and sold by your firm.

Report data in actual pounds and actual dollars (not 1,000s).

| (Quantity in pounds, value in dollars) | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| Product 1 | | ıct 1 | Product 2 | | Product 3 | | Product 4 | |
| Period of shipment | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| 2021: January-March | | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | | |
| 2022 : January-March | | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | | |
| 2023 : January-March | | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | | |
| October-December | | | | | | | | |
| 2024 : January-March | | | | | | | | |
| April-June | | | | | | | | |
| July-September | | | | | | | | |

point of shipment. Please subtract any discounts, rebates, and returns from the quarter in which the sale occurred.

Product 4:

| NoteIf your firm's product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of |
|---|
| your firm's product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data. |

| your firm's product. Also, please explain any anomalies in your firm's reported pricing data. |
|---|
| Product 1: |
| Product 2: |
| Product 2: |

² Pricing product definitions are provided on the first page of Part IV.

IV-2c. <u>Price data checklist.</u>--Please check that the pricing data in question IV-2(b) have been correctly reported.

| | Are the price data reported above: | √ if Yes |
|----|--|----------|
| | In actual dollars (not \$1,000) and actual pounds (not 1,000 pounds)? | |
| | Valued f.o.b. U.S. point of shipment (i.e., exclude U.S. inland transportation costs)? | |
| | Reported net of all discounts, rebates, and returns (deducted from the quarter in which the original sale occurred)? | |
| | Reported for commercial U.S. shipments only (i.e., exclude internal consumption, transfers, and exports)? | |
| | Less than or equal to the quantities and values reported in part II for commercial U.S. shipments in each period? | |
| | Explanation(s) for any boxes not checked: | |
| d. | Pricing data methodologyPlease describe the method and the kinds of documents/that were used to compile your price data. | records |
| | | |

Note: As requested in Part I of this questionnaire, please keep all supporting documents/records used in the preparation of the price data, as Commission staff may contact your firm regarding questions on the price data. The Commission may also request that your company submit copies of the supporting documents/records (such as sales journal, invoices, etc.) used to compile these data.

| 115 | Droducers' | Questionnaire | - Fnovy | Racine | (Einal) |
|------|------------|---------------|---------|--------|---------|
| U.S. | Producers | Questionnaire | - EDOXV | Resins | trinai |

| IV-3. | Price settingHow does your firm determine the prices that it charges for sales of epoxy resins |
|-------|--|
| | (check all that apply)? |

| Transaction by transaction | Contracts | Set price lists | Other | If other, describe |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|--------------------|
| | | | | |

IV-4. <u>Discount policy</u>.--Please indicate and describe your firm's discount policies (*check all that apply*).

| Quantity discounts | Annual total volume discounts | No discount policy | Other | Describe |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|-------|----------|
| | | | | |

IV-5. <u>Pricing terms.</u>--On what basis are your firm's prices of domestic epoxy resins usually quoted *(check one)*?

| Delivered | F.o.b. | If f.o.b., specify point |
|-----------|--------|--------------------------|
| | | |

IV-6. <u>Contract versus spot</u>.--Approximately what shares of your firm's sales of its U.S.-produced epoxy resins in 2023 were on the basis of (1) short-term contracts, (2) annual contracts, (3) long-term contracts, and (4) spot sales?

| | Type of sale | | | | | |
|---------------------|--|--|---|---|-------------------------------------|--------|
| ltem | Short-term contracts (multiple deliveries for less than 12 months) | Annual contracts (multiple deliveries for 12 months) | Long-term contracts (multiple deliveries for more than 12 months) | Spot sales (for a single delivery) | Total (shoul sum to 100.0% | d o |
| Share of 2023 sales | % | % | % | % | 0.0 | % |

IV-7. <u>Contract provisions.</u>--Please fill out the table regarding your firm's typical sales contracts for U.S.-produced epoxy resins (or check "not applicable" if your firm does not sell on a short-term, annual and/or long-term contract basis).

| Typical sales contract provisions | Item | Short-term contracts (multiple deliveries for less than 12 months) | Annual contracts (multiple deliveries for 12 months) | Long-term contracts (multiple deliveries for more than 12 months) | |
|--|----------------|---|---|--|--|
| Average contract duration | No. of days | | 365 | | |
| Price renegotiation | Yes | | | | |
| (during contract period) | No | | | | |
| | Quantity | | | | |
| Fixed quantity and/or price | Price | | | | |
| 3.1.5, 5.1 p.1.55 | Both | | | | |
| Indexed to raw | Yes | | | | |
| material costs ¹ | No | | | | |
| Not applicable | | | | | |
| ¹ Please identify the indexes used: | | | | | |

IV-8. <u>Lead times.--</u>What share of your firm's sales of its U.S.-produced epoxy resins were from inventory and produced to order in 2023, and what was the typical lead time between a customer's order and the date of delivery for your firm's sales of its U.S.-produced epoxy resins?

| Source | Share of 2023 sales | Lead time (Average number of days) |
|------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| From inventory | % | |
| Produced to order | % | |
| Total (should sum to 100.0%) | 0.0 % | |

| ll S | Producers' | Questionnaire | - Fnoxy | Resins | (Final) |
|------|---------------|---------------|---------|----------|---------|
| 0.5. | 1 1 Ou decers | Questionnane | LDUA | 11631113 | (|

| IV-9. | <u>Shippi</u> | ng information |
|-------|---------------|---|
| | (a) | Who generally arranges the transportation to your firm's customers' locations? Your firm Purchaser (check one) |
| | (b) | Indicate the approximate percentage of your firm's sales of epoxy resins that are delivered the following distances from its production facility. |

| Distance from production facility | Share |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Within 100 miles | % |
| 101 to 1,000 miles | % |
| Over 1,000 miles | % |
| Total (should sum to 100.0%) | 0.0 % |

IV-10. <u>Geographical shipments.</u>—In which U.S. geographic market area(s) has your firm sold its U.S.-produced epoxy resins since January 1, 2021 (check all that apply)?

| Geographic area | √ if applicable |
|--|-----------------|
| Northeast.–CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, and VT. | |
| Midwest.–IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, and WI. | |
| Southeast.—AL, DE, DC, FL, GA, KY, MD, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, and WV. | |
| Central Southwest.—AR, LA, OK, and TX. | |
| Mountains.—AZ, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, UT, and WY. | |
| Pacific Coast.–CA, OR, and WA. | |
| Other.—All other markets in the United States not previously listed, including AK, HI, PR, and VI. | |

| IV-11. | Inland transportation costs.—What is the approximate percentage of th | e cost of U.Sproduced |
|--------|---|-----------------------|
| | epoxy resins that is accounted for by U.S. inland transportation costs? | percent |

IV-12. <u>End uses.</u>--List the end uses of the epoxy resins that your firm manufactures. For each end-use product, what percentage of the <u>total cost</u> is accounted for by epoxy resins and other inputs?

| | Share of total cost | Total (should sum to 100.0% across) | |
|-----------------|---------------------|---|-------|
| End-use product | Epoxy resins | | |
| | % | % | 0.0 % |
| | % | % | 0.0 % |
| | % | % | 0.0 % |

| IV-13. | 13. <u>Substitutes</u> Can other products be substituted for epoxy resins? | | | | | | | | |
|--------|--|-----------------------|--------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | ☐ No | YesPlease fill out tl | ne tak | ole. | | | | | |
| | | End use in which this | На | | anges in the price of this substitute cted the price for epoxy resins? | | | | |
| | Substitute | substitute is used | No | Yes | Explanation | | | | |
| 1. | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. | | | | | | | | | |

IV-14. <u>Demand trends.</u>-- Has demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for epoxy resins steadily increased, fluctuated but ended higher, not changed, fluctuated but ended lower, or steadily decreased since January 1, 2021? Explain any trends and describe the principal factors that have affected these changes in demand.

Select one box per row.

| Market | Steadily increase | Fluctuate higher | No change | Fluctuate lower | Steadily decrease | Explanation and factors |
|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Within the United States | | | | | | |
| Outside the United States | | | | | | |

| | No | Yes | If yes, please describe, including any changes since January 1, 2021. | |
|----------|-------------|------------|--|--------|
| IV-17. | | to epoxy | retition. Is the market for epoxy resins subject to conditions of competition resins other than the business cycles described in the previous question? | |
| | | | | |
| | No | Yes | If yes, please describe, including any changes since January 1, 2021. | |
| IV-16. | | | the market for epoxy resins subject to business cycles, either during the yees, describe. | ear |
| | | | | |
| | No | Yes | If yes, please describe and quantify if possible. | |
| IV-15. | | | Have there been any significant changes in the product range, product mix oxy resins since January 1, 2021? | , , |
| U.S. Pro | oducers' Qı | uestionnai | re – Epoxy Resins (Final) Page | : 46 |

| U.S. | Producers' | Question | naire – F | noxy | Resins (| 'Final' |
|---------------------|-------------|----------|------------------|------|----------|---------|
| \circ . \circ . | 1 100000013 | Question | a . | POAT | 11631113 | a. |

| IV-18. | Su | p | ply | <u>, constraints</u> .— |
|--------|----|---|-----|-------------------------|
| | | | | |

(a) Has your firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply epoxy resins at any time since January 1, 2021 (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, impact from changes in operations listed in II-2a, etc.)?

| No (skip to IV-19) | Yes (respond to part b) |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | |

(b) For each year that your firm faced supply constraints, describe the constraints with the details requested below.

| Period | Description: include the timing, duration, and reason for the constraint. |
|-----------------------------|---|
| 2021 | |
| 2022 | |
| 2023 | |
| January 1- April 3, 2024 | |
| Since April 3, 2024 | |

IV-19. Raw materials.--Have epoxy resins raw material prices steadily increased, fluctuated but ended higher, not changed, fluctuated but ended lower, or steadily decreased since January 1, 2021?

Select one box per row.

| Steadily increase | Fluctuate higher | No change | Fluctuate lower | Steadily decrease | Explain, noting how raw material price changes have affected your firm's selling prices for epoxy resins. |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|---|
| | | | | | |

IV-20. <u>Interchangeability</u>.—How often are epoxy resins produced in the United States and in other countries interchangeable (i.e., are they used in the same applications for the same types of customers' needs)?

Please indicate A, F, S, N, or 0 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

0 = no familiarity with products from a specified country-pair

| Country-pair | China | India | South Korea | Taiwan | Thailand | Other countries |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------------|--------|---------------|-----------------|
| United States | | | | | | |
| China | | | | | | |
| India | | | | | | |
| South Korea | | | | | | |
| Taiwan | | | | >< | | |
| Thailand | | | | | \rightarrow | |

For any country-pair producing epoxy resins that is *sometimes* or *never* interchangeable, identify the country-pair and explain the factors that limit or preclude the interchangeable use of epoxy resins produced in the countries:

IV-21. <u>Factors other than price</u>.—How often are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, *etc.*) between epoxy resins produced in the United States and in other countries a significant factor in your firm's sales of the products?

Please indicate A, F, S, N, or 0 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

0 = *no familiarity* with products from a specified country-pair

| Country-pair | China | India | South Korea | Taiwan | Thailand | Other countries |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------------|--------|----------|-----------------|
| United States | | | | | | |
| China | | | | | | |
| India | | | | | | |
| South Korea | | | | | | |
| Taiwan | | | | | | |
| Thailand | | | | | | |

For any country-pair for which factors other than price are *always* or *frequently* a significant factor in your firm's sales of epoxy resins, identify the country-pair and the relevant factors other than price, and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:

IV-22. 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 market for epoxy resins in the United States, including any effects on epoxy resins' cost, price, supply, and/or demand, since January 1, 2021?

| Yes | No | Don't know |
|-----|----|------------|
| | | |

| If yes, please describe the impact on cost, price, supply, and/or demand, and include the timing of such impacts. |
|---|
| |

IV-23. <u>Customer identification</u>.--List the names and contact information for your firm's 10 largest U.S. customers for epoxy resins since January 1, 2021. Indicate the share of the quantity of your firm's U.S. shipments of epoxy resins that each of these customers accounted for in 2023.

| Cu | stomer's name | Contact person | Email | Telephone | City | State | Share of 2023 sales (%) |
|----|---------------|----------------|-------|-----------|------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | | | | |
| 6 | | | | | | | |
| 7 | | | | | | | |
| 8 | | | | | | | |
| 9 | | | | | | | |
| 10 | | | | | | | |

IV-24. Competition from imports.--

(a) <u>Lost revenue</u>.--Since January 1, 2021: To avoid losing sales to competitors selling epoxy resins from China, India, South Korea, Taiwan, and/or Thailand, did your firm:

| Item | No | Yes |
|-------------------------------------|----|-----|
| Reduce prices | | |
| Roll back announced price increases | | |

(b) <u>Lost sales</u>.--Since January 1, 2021: Did your firm lose sales of epoxy resins to imports of this product from China, India, South Korea, Taiwan, and/or Thailand?

| No | Yes |
|----|-----|
| | |

| IV-25. | Other explanationsIf your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in Part |
|--------|---|
| | IV for which a narrative response 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. |

PART V.--SUFFICENT PRODUCTION RELATED ACTIVITIES

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Alejandro Orozco (202-205-3177, Alejandro.Orozco@usitc.gov).

| V-1. | <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 Part V. |

| Email |
|-----------|
| |
| Telephone |

| V-2. | Explanation of firm's domestic activitiesPlease describe in detail your firm's domestic |
|------|---|
| | production operations relating to epoxy resins, including, if applicable, incorporation of imported or purchased epoxy resins, either domestic or imported, that is processed/converted |
| | into another in-scope form of epoxy resins in the United States prior to commercial sale. |
| | |

V-3. <u>Domestic activities by factor</u>.--Please describe the nature and extent of the following items in relation to your firm's U.S. production of epoxy resins in the United States.

| Capital investments | |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Technical expertise | |
| Value added | |
| Employment | |
| Quantity, type, and source of parts | |
| Costs and activities | |

| U.S. | Producers' | Question | naire – F | noxy | Resins (| 'Final' |
|---------------------|-------------|----------|------------------|------|----------|---------|
| \circ . \circ . | 1 100000013 | Question | a . | POAT | 11631113 | a. |

| V-4. | Operations' complexity and importance On a scale of 1 to 5, please provide your firm's |
|------|--|
| | subjective opinion as to the complexity, intensity, and importance of your firm's epoxy resins |
| | operations conducted in the United States, with 1 being minimally complex, intense, or |
| | important and 5 being extremely complex, intense, or important. |

| 1: Minimally complex, intense, or important | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5: Extremely complex, intense, or important |
|---|-------------|---------------------|--------------|--|
| | | | | |
| | Please desc | ribe the reason for | your rating. | |
| | | | | |

V-5. <u>Greenfield capital investment costs</u>.--Indicate the estimated amount of capital investment that would be required today on a greenfield basis to replicate your firm's current epoxy resins operations.

| Item | Value (<i>in \$1,000</i>) |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Estimated greenfield capital investment cost of current | |
| U.S. epoxy resins operations | |

V-6. Top three epoxy resin products using purchased/imported epoxy resins.--If your firm purchased and/or imported an in-scope epoxy resins product, processed that product domestically in the United States, and sold that further processed product that still matches the definition of epoxy resins (see p. 2), please list the top three epoxy resin products your firm sold, provide an indication of their formulation(s), and describe how those products are marketed in the United States.

| ot cable | Yes applicable | If yes, please list the top three epoxy resin products your firm sold, provide an indication of their formulation(s), list the inputs (raw materials), and describe how those products are marketed in the United States. |
|-------------|-------------------|---|
| | | |

PART VI.—PROCESSING OPERATIONS

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Alejandro Orozco (202-205-3177, <u>Alejandro Orozco@usitc.gov</u>).

| VI-1a. | <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 Part VI. |

| Г | |
|-----------|--|
| Name | |
| Title | |
| Email | |
| Telephone | |

VI-1b. <u>Processing activities</u>.--Did your firm process both in-scope epoxy resins and out-of-scope epoxy resins (e.g., cured resins, formulation or blends with less than 30 percent epoxy polymers, et cetera)?

| No | Yes | If yes, please ensure you only include data on those operations that result in an end product that your firm sells that still matches the definition of epoxy resins (i.e., is still in-scope), and explain here how your firm allocated any of its data from its overall operations to just the in-scope portion of its operations for the information reported in this part of the questionnaire. |
|----|-----|---|
| | | |

VI-1c. <u>Curing activities</u>.--Does your firm cure any of its purchased and/or imported epoxy resins?

"Curing"—Curing refers to activities that include mixing the epoxy resin and hardener for two-part system epoxy resins. Curing is a chemical reaction that transforms the combined liquid ingredients into a solid. As it cures, the epoxy passes from the liquid state, through a gel state, before it reaches a solid-state. The time it takes to cure is variable.

| No | If yes, please do not report your firm's production activities in this section |
|----|--|
| | relating to curing (i.e., out-of-scope) epoxy resins. |

- VI-2. **Production, shipment, and inventory data for processing activities**. Report your firm's practical capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the processing of epoxy resins in its U.S. establishment(s) using imported and/or domestically purchased epoxy resins during the specified periods.
 - "Production" All production in your U.S. establishment(s), including production consumed internally within your firm and production for another firm under a toll agreement.
 - "Commercial U.S. shipments" Shipments made within the United States as a result of an arm's length commercial transaction in the ordinary course of business. Report <u>net values</u> (i.e., gross sales values less all discounts, allowances, rebates, prepaid freight, and the value of returned goods) in U.S. dollars, f.o.b. your point of shipment.
 - "Internal consumption/ including product shipped to firm's own retail establishments" Product consumed internally by your firm, which includes merchandise that your firm transferred to your own firm's retail establishments (i.e., shipped to either a bricks-and-mortar store or to an online order fulfillment center). Such transactions are to be valued at fair market value and <u>not</u> the total value of final downstream processed merchandise in the case of internal consumption, <u>nor</u> the retail sale value in the case of your firm owning and operating its own retail establishments or using a third-party fulfillment center to place retail level sales.
 - "Transfers to related firms" Shipments made to related firms. Such transactions are valued at fair market value.
 - "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.
 - "Export shipments" Shipments to destinations outside the United States, 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.

VI-2. Production, shipment, and inventory data for processing activities.--Continued

| Quantity | (in 1,000 pound | ds) and value | (in \$1,000) | | |
|---|------------------------------------|--|--|---|------------------------------------|
| | (| Calendar year | | January-S | eptember |
| ltem | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Practical processing capacity ¹ (quantity) (A) | | | | | |
| Beginning-of-period inventories (quantity) (B) | | | | | |
| Production (processing).— Using purchased domestic epoxy resins (quantity) (C) | | | | | |
| Using purchased/imported epoxy resins from subject sources ² (quantity) (D) | | | | | |
| Using purchased/imported epoxy resins from nonsubject sources ³ (quantity) (E) | | | | | |
| Total production (processing) (quantity) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| U.S. shipments: Commercial shipments: Quantity (F) | | | | | |
| Value (G) | | | | | |
| Internal consumption:⁴ <i>Quantity</i> (H) | | | | | |
| Value⁴ (I) | | | | | |
| Transfers to related firms: ⁴ Quantity (J) | | | | | |
| Value⁴ (K) | | | | | |
| Export shipments: ⁵ Quantity (L) | | | | | |
| Value (M) | | | | | |
| End-of-period inventories (quantity) (N) | | | | | |
| ¹ Report you firm's practical epoxy resins practical capacity included in question II-3a per week, weeks per year. Please desceplain any changes in reported capacity ² Please identify the subject sources: ³ Please identify the nonsubject sources: ⁴ Internal consumption and transfers to different basis for valuing these transaction However, the data provided above | related firms must in your records | ctical processin ology used to c st be valued at s, please specif | g capacity is bas alculate practica fair market valu y that basis (e.g. | ed on operating cal processing cal e. If your firm , cost, cost plu | ng hours apacity, and uses a |

VI-2. Production, shipment, and inventory data for processing activities.—Continued

RECONCILIATION OF SHIPMENTS, PRODUCTION, AND INVENTORY.--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, D, and E), less total shipments (i.e., lines F, H, J, and L). Please ensure that any differences are not due to data entry errors in completing this form, but rather reflect your firm's actual records; and also provide explanations for any differences (e.g., theft, loss, damage, record systems issues, etc.) if they exist.

| | Calendar year | | | January-September | |
|---|---------------|------|------|-------------------|------|
| Reconciliation | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Quantity: B + C + D + E - F - H - J - L - N = should equal zero ("0") or | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| provide an explanation.1 | U | U | U | 0 | 0 |

¹ Explanation if the calculated fields above are returning values other than zero (i.e., "0") but are nonetheless accurate:_____.

VI-3. Channels of distribution for processing activities.—Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) of processed epoxy resins made from imported and/or domestically purchased epoxy resins by channel of distribution in the specified periods.

| | Quantity | (in 1,000 pound | ds) | | |
|---|----------|-----------------|------|-----------|----------|
| | | Calendar year | | January-S | eptember |
| Item | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Channels of distribution: U.S. shipments: to Distributors (O) | | | | | |
| to Other independent processors (P) | | | | | |
| to End users (Q) ¹ | | | | | |

¹ Please indicate what are top end use categories or types of end users for your firm's U.S. shipments of epoxy resins:

. End users include entities that produce out-of-scope products from imported or purchased epoxy resins.

<u>RECONCILIATION OF CHANNELS</u>.--Please ensure that the quantities reported for channels of distribution (i.e., lines O, P, and Q) in each time period equal the quantity reported for U.S. shipments (i.e., lines F, H, and J) in each time period. If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

| | | Calendar year | | January-S | eptember |
|-------------------------------------|------|---------------|------|-----------|----------|
| Reconciliation | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Quantity: $O + P + Q - F - H - J =$ | | | | | |
| zero ("0"), if not revise. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

VI-4. <u>U.S. shipments by type and form for processed activities</u>.--Report your firm's U.S. shipments (i.e., inclusive of commercial U.S. shipments, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms) of processed epoxy resins made from imported and/or domestically purchased epoxy resins in 2023 by product type and form.

| Quantity (1,000 pounds) and | Value (in \$1,000) | |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| | Calendar | year 2023 |
| Item | Liquid / Solution | Solid / Semi-solid |
| U.S. shipments: BADGE-type epoxy resins, bisphenol-F epoxy resins, epoxy solutions, and epoxy blends: | | |
| Quantity (R) Value (S) | | |
| Brominated, novolac, cycloaliphatic and waterborne epoxy resins: Quantity (T) | | |
| Value (U) | | |
| Multifunctional, aliphatic, glycidyl amine, epoxy- functional modifiers and all other epoxy resins: Quantity (V) | | |
| Value (W) | | |

<u>RECONCILATION OF U.S. SHIPMENTS BY PRODUCT TYPE.</u>—Please ensure that the quantities reported in this question (i.e. lines O through V across all columns) equal the quantity and value reported for U.S. shipments (i.e. lines D through I) for 2023 in question VI-2. If calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0"), the data reported must be revised prior to submission to the Commission.

| Reconciliation | Calendar year 2023 |
|---|--------------------|
| Quantity: $R + T + V - F - H - J = zero ("0"), if not revise.$ | 0 |
| Value: $S + U + W - G - I - K = zero$ ("0"), if not revise. | 0 |

VI-5. <u>Employment data for processing activities</u>.--Report your firm's employment-related data related to the processing of epoxy resins in your U.S. establishments and provide an explanation for any trends in these data.

"Production and Related Workers" (PRWs) includes working supervisors and all nonsupervisory workers (including group leaders and trainees) engaged in fabricating, processing, assembling, inspecting, receiving, storage, handling, packing, warehousing, shipping, trucking, hauling, maintenance, repair, janitorial and guard services, product development, auxiliary production for plant's own use (e.g., power plant), recordkeeping, and other services closely associated with the above production operations.

Average number employed may be computed by adding the number of employees, both full time and part time, for the 12 pay periods ending closest to the 15th of the month and divide that total by 12. For the January to September periods, calculate similarly and divide by 9.

If your firm had the same number of PRWs in all calendar year and had not experienced any changes in PRWs in the most recent interim period, you would have the same number of PRWs for the interim periods (January – September).

"Hours worked" includes time paid for sick leave, holidays, and vacation time. Include overtime hours actually worked; do not convert overtime pay to its equivalent in straight time hours.

"Wages paid" – Total wages paid before deductions of any kind (e.g., withholding taxes, old-age and unemployment insurance, group insurance, union dues, bonds, etc.). Include wages paid directly by your firm for overtime, holidays, vacations, and sick leave.

| | | Calendar year | | January-S | eptember |
|------------------------------------|------|---------------|------|-----------|----------|
| Item | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Average number of PRWs (number) | | | | | |
| Hours worked by PRWs (1,000 hours) | | | | | |
| Wages paid to PRWs (\$1,000) | | | | | |

| Explanation of trends: | |
|------------------------|--|
| | |
| | |

VI-6. Operations on processing activities.—Report the revenue and related cost information requested below on the processing of epoxy resins of your firm's U.S. establishment(s). Include only sales (whether domestic or exports) and costs related to your U.S. manufacturing operations. Do not report any revenue or cost data related to the resale of purchased product.

Net sales—Report all commercial sales, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms, whether these are domestic sales or exports. Report net sales values less discounts, returns, allowances, and prepaid freight, in U.S. dollars, f.o.b. your point of shipment. The freight costs associated with delivering the product to your customer should not be included.

Note: If the financial data are reported on a calendar-year basis, the total net sales quantities and values should match the total shipment quantities and values reported in this section of the questionnaire (see question VI-10a for a reconciliation grid).

Internal consumption—Product consumed internally by your firm. Report internal consumption at fair market value even if this is not how these transactions are valued in your own books and records. This would commonly be estimated based on the company's commercial sales of similar product or market knowledge.

Transfers to related firms—Sales made to related firms. Report transfers to related firms at fair market value even if this is not how these transactions are valued in your own books and records. This would commonly be estimated based on the company's commercial sales of similar product or market knowledge.

Costs and expenses—Include costs and expenses associated with all reported net sales (i.e., for both domestic and export commercial sales, internal consumption, and transfers to related firms). If any freight costs were removed from net sales values, ensure the associated costs are removed from the applicable cost/expense line.

Inputs from related suppliers—Any inputs purchased from related suppliers should be reported in a manner consistent with your firm's accounting books and records.

Note: As requested in Part I of this questionnaire, please keep all supporting documents/records used in the preparation of the financial data, as Commission staff may contact your firm regarding questions on the financial data. The Commission may also request that your company submit copies of the supporting documents/records (financial statements, including internal profit-and-loss statements for the division or product group that includes processing of epoxy resins, as well as specific statements and worksheets) used to compile these data.

Operations on processing activities.—Continued VI-6.

| | | Calendar year | | January-Sep | tember |
|---|------|---------------|------|-------------|--------|
| ltem | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Net sales quantities: | | | | | |
| Commercial sales | | | | | |
| Internal consumption | | | | | |
| Transfers to related firms | | | | | |
| Total net sales quantities | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | (|
| Net sales values: Commercial sales | | | | | |
| Internal consumption | | | | | |
| Transfers to related firms | | | | | |
| Total net sales values | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Cost of goods sold (COGS): Epoxy resins.— Domestically manufactured | | | | | |
| Subject sources ¹ | | | | | |
| Nonsubject sources ¹ | | | | | |
| All other raw materials ² | | | | | |
| Total raw material costs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Direct labor | | | | | |
| Other factory costs | | | | | |
| Total COGS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |
| Gross profit or (loss) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | С |
| SG&A expenses | | | | | |
| Operating income (loss) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other expenses and income: Interest expense | | | | | |
| All other expense items | | | | | |
| All other income items | | | | | |
| Net income or (loss) before income taxes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | C |

 $[\]frac{1}{2}$ If there are notable or significant raw material inputs included within the "All other materials" category, please list those here and provide the share of total raw material costs for which they account: _____.

| 115 | Producers' | Question | naire – | Fnoxy | Resins | (Final) |
|------|------------|----------|---------|-------|----------|---------|
| 0.5. | riouuceis | QUESTION | man c – | LDUAY | 11631113 | u man |

VI-7a. <u>Depreciation expense</u>.—Please report the amount of depreciation expense that is included within the reported financial results at question VI-6.

| | | Calendar year | | January-S | eptember |
|-----------------------------------|------|---------------|------|-----------|----------|
| Item | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Depreciation expense (in \$1,000) | | | | | |

| b. | Depreciation expense cla | assification.—Please inc | licate the line item(s) w | rithin question VI-6 (e.g. |
|----------|--|---|--|---|
| | other factory costs, SG&/ | A expenses, etc.) that in | clude the depreciation of | expense reported above |
| | | | | |
| a. | Asset values.—Report th | na total assets (i.e., both | current and long-term | assets) associated with |
| . | the production, warehou | ising, and sale of proces | sed epoxy resins. If you | r firm does not maintair |
| | some or all of the specific | c asset information nec | • | • |
| | epoxy resins in the norm | al course of business, pl | ease estimate this infor | rmation based upon a |
| | method (such as product | · • | | • |
| | method (such as product used in question VI-6. | ion, sales, or costs) that | is consistent with relev | vant cost allocations |
| | method (such as product used in question VI-6. Note: Total assets should | ion, sales, or costs) that I reflect the <u>net amount</u> | is consistent with relevent of assets (i.e., after any | vant cost allocations y accumulated |
| | method (such as product used in question VI-6. | ion, sales, or costs) that d reflect the <u>net amount</u> nces deducted) and sho | is consistent with relevent of assets (i.e., after any | vant cost allocations y accumulated |
| | method (such as product used in question VI-6. Note: Total assets should depreciation and allowar | d reflect the <u>net amount</u> nces deducted) and shouted to other products. | is consistent with relevent of assets (i.e., after any | vant cost allocations y accumulated |
| | method (such as product used in question VI-6. Note: Total assets should depreciation and allowar | d reflect the <u>net amount</u> nces deducted) and shouted to other products. | is consistent with relevent in the relevant with relevent is consistent with relevent in the relevent is consistent with relevent in the relevant with relevant wi | vant cost allocations y accumulated essed epoxy resins if |
| | method (such as product used in question VI-6. Note: Total assets should depreciation and allowar | d reflect the <u>net amount</u> nces deducted) and shouted to other products. | is consistent with relevent of assets (i.e., after any all d be allocated to proceed to proceed in \$1,000) | vant cost allocations y accumulated essed epoxy resins if |

VI-9a. Capital expenditures and research and development ("R&D") expenses.—Report your firm's capital expenditures and research and development expenses related to its processing of epoxy resins.

| Value (in \$1,000) | | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|--|----------|------|
| | Calendar year January-September | | | eptember | |
| Item | 2021 | 2021 2022 2023 | | | 2023 |
| Capital expenditures | | | | | |
| R&D expenses | | | | | |

| VI-9b. | <u>Description of reported capital expenditures</u> .—Please describe the nature, focus, and significance of your firm's reported capital expenditures. If no capital expenditure data were reported, please explain the reason. |
|--------|--|
| | |
| VI-9c. | <u>Description of reported R&D expenses</u> .—Please describe the nature, focus, and significance of your firm's reported R&D expenses. |
| | |

VI-10a. <u>Data consistency and reconciliation</u>.—The quantities and values of total net sales reported in question VI-6 should reconcile with the total shipments reported in question VI-2 (including export shipments) for the annual-year periods as long as they are reported on the same calendar-year basis. The interim-period data should reconcile whether the financial data are on a calendar- or fiscal-year basis.

If the calculated fields below return values other than zero (i.e., "0") this indicates the total net sales quantities and values do not match the total shipments quantities and values.

| | Calendar year | | January-September | | |
|--|---------------|------|-------------------|------|------|
| Reconciliation | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 |
| Quantity: Trade data from question VI-2 (lines F, H, J, and L) less financial total net sales quantity data from question VI-6, = zero ("0"). | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Value: Trade data from question VI-2 (lines G, I, K, and M) less financial total net sales value data from question VI-6, = zero ("0"). | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Are the financial data in question VI-6 reported on a calendar-year basis? | | | |
|--|----|------------------------|--|
| Yes—Complete question VI-10b. No— Continue to question VI-11. | | | |
| b. Data consistency and reconciliation (calendar-year based financial data).—Do the data in question VI-6 reconcile with the data in question VI-2 (i.e., the calculated fields are returning zeros in the table above) for all periods? | | | |
| Yes | No | If no, please explain. | |
| | | | |

If your responses to any of the items in questions VI-11, VI-12, and VI-13 differ by country, please describe these differences and, as applicable, indicate which country or countries your response refers to in the relevant form fields.

VI-11. <u>Effects of imports on investment</u>.—Since January 1, 2021, has your firm experienced any actual negative effects on its return on investment or the scale of capital investments as a result of imports of epoxy resins from China, India, South Korea, Taiwan, and/or Thailand?

| No | Yes | | | | |
|----|--------------------------------|---|-------------------|--|--|
| | | If yes, my firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows. | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | (check as many as appropriate) | | (please describe) | | |
| | | Cancellation, postponement, or rejection of expansion projects | | | |
| | | Denial or rejection of investment proposal | | | |
| | | Reduction in the size of capital investments | | | |
| | | Return on specific investments negatively impacted | | | |
| | | Other | | | |

| VI-12. | Effects of imports on growth and development.—Since January 1, 2021, has your firm |
|--------|--|
| | experienced any actual negative effects on its growth, ability to raise capital, or existing |
| | development and production efforts (including efforts to develop a derivative or more advanced |
| | version of the product) as a result of imports of epoxy resins from China, India, South Korea, |
| | Taiwan, and/or Thailand? |

| Taiwan, and/or Thailand? | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-------|---|-------------------|--|--|--|
| No | Yes | | | | | |
| | | If yes, my firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows. | | | | |
| | (chec | k as many as appropriate) | (please describe) | | | |
| | | Rejection of bank loans | | | | |
| | | Lowering of credit rating | | | | |
| | | Problem related to the issue of stocks or bonds | | | | |
| | | Ability to service debt | | | | |
| | | Other | | | | |

| U.S. Producers | Questionnaire | – Ероху | Resins | (Final) |
|----------------|---------------|---------|--------|---------|
|----------------|---------------|---------|--------|---------|

| VI-13. | <u>Anticipated effects of imports</u> .—Does your firm anticipate any negative effects due to imports of epoxy resins from China, India, South Korea, Taiwan, and/or Thailand? | | | | | |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| | No | Yes | If yes, my firm anticipates negative effects as follows. | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| VI-14. | governme performar In your res | Effects on financial performance of COVID-19.—Has the COVID-19 pandemic, or any government actions taken to contain the spread of the COVID-19 virus, affected the financial performance of your firm's operations on processed epoxy resins as reported in question VI-6? In your response, please include the duration and timing of any impacts as they relate to your firm's financial performance. | | | | |
| | No | Yes | If yes, please describe these effects. | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| financial section of Part VI for which a narrative box was not provid | | | —If your firm would like to further explain a response to a question in the Part VI for which a narrative box was not provided, please note the question planation in the space provided below. Please also use this space to highlight had in providing the data in this section. | | | |

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://www.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 of further instructions.

• <u>Upload via Commission's secure submission portal</u>.—The questionnaire must be uploaded in two formats: (1) a Microsoft Word 97-2003 document; and (2) a PDF copy of the complete questionnaire with a signature on the first page. Please include any attachments at the end of the PDF (e.g., APO certification, additional comments, etc.).

Web address: https://www.usitc.gov/qportal Pin: EPOXY Phase: FINAL

• E-mail.—E-mail the MS Word questionnaire to Alejandro.Orozco@usitc.gov; include a PDF copy of the complete questionnaire with a signature on the first page. 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 submission portal 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 produce this product, please fill out page 1, print, sign, and submit a scanned PDF copy via the Commission's secure submission portal or email.

<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 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.