# **U.S. PURCHASERS' 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 duty and antidumping 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 possession (19 U.S.C. § 1333(a)). Further information on this questionnaire can be obtained from Tana von Kessler (202-205-2389, tana.vonkessler@usitc.gov).

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#### 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: <a href="https://www.usitc.gov/reports/active import injury questionnaires">https://www.usitc.gov/reports/active import injury questionnaires</a>.
- Other information: <a href="https://ids.usitc.gov/case/8190/investigation/8552">https://ids.usitc.gov/case/8190/investigation/8552</a>.

**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.

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

**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.

| I-1. | Reporting requirementsPlease report the actual number of hours required and the cost to    |
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|      | your firm of completing this questionnaire for use by the Office of Management and Budget. |

| Hours | Dollars |
|-------|---------|
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Public reporting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average 20 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering data, and completing and reviewing the questionnaire.

We welcome comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate, suggestions for reducing the burden, and any suggestions for improving this questionnaire. Please provide such comments to the Office of Investigations, <a href="mailto:import injury@usitc.gov">import injury@usitc.gov</a>.

|       | one establishment should combine the data for all establishments into a single response.          |
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|       | by this questionnaire, if different from that listed on the cover page. Firms operating more than |
| I-2a. | <b>Establishments covered</b> Provide the name and address of your U.S. establishment(s) covered  |

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

- I-2b. **Stock symbol information.** If your firm or parent firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol: \_\_\_\_\_.
- I-2c. <u>External counsel.</u>— If your firm or parent firm is represented by external counsel in relation to this proceeding, having filed an entry of appearance, please specify the name of the law firm and the lead attorney(s).

| Law firm:         |  |
|-------------------|--|
| Lead attorney(s): |  |

| ∐ No  |  | esList the following info  | rmation, relating  | Extent of ownershi  |
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| Firm name   |  | Country  |  | (percent)   |
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### **PART II.--PURCHASES**

<u>Contact information.</u>--Please identify the responsible individual and the manner by which Commission staff may contact that individual regarding the confidential information submitted in this questionnaire.

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

II-1. Purchases and imports.--Report separately your firm's domestic purchases and imports of .

"Purchase" – Purchase from a U.S. entity such as a U.S. producer, a U.S. importer, or other U.S. firm.

"Import" – Purchase directly from a foreign supplier and your firm is the importer of record.

| import — Futchase un ect                                   | 2021                       | 2022 | 2023 | JanuarySept<br>2024 |  |  |  |
|--|----------------------------|------|------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Item   | Quantity (in 1,000 pounds) |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| Purchases of epoxy resins<br>produced in—<br>United States |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| China  |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| India  |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| South Korea  |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| Taiwan   |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| Thailand   |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| All other sources <sup>1</sup>                             |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| Sources unknown <sup>2</sup>                               |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| Total purchases  | 0                          | 0    | 0    | 0                   |  |  |  |
| Imports of epoxy resins<br>from—<br>China                  |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| India  |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| South Korea  |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| Taiwan   |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| Thailand   |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| All other sources <sup>1</sup>                             |                            |      |      |                     |  |  |  |
| Total imports <sup>3</sup>                                 | 0                          | 0    | 0    | 0                   |  |  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please identify these sources:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Please indicate the firm(s) from which you purchased this merchandise:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> If your firm imported epoxy resins at any time since January 1, 2021, please also complete and return a U.S. importers' questionnaire in this proceeding.

II-2. <u>Changes in purchasing patterns.--</u> Please indicate whether the shares of your firm's purchases of epoxy resins steadily decreased, fluctuated but ended lower, were constant, fluctuated but ended higher, or steadily increased since January 1, 2021 from the listed sources.

Select one box per row.

| Source of purchases | Did not purchase | Steadily increased | Fluctuated up | No<br>change | Fluctuated down | Steadily decreased | Explanation for trend |
|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| United States       |                  |                    |               |              |                 |                    |                       |
| China               |                  |                    |               |              |                 |                    |                       |
| India               |                  |                    |               |              |                 |                    |                       |
| South Korea         |                  |                    |               |              |                 |                    |                       |
| Taiwan              |                  |                    |               |              |                 |                    |                       |
| Thailand            |                  |                    |               |              |                 |                    |                       |
| All other countries |                  |                    |               |              |                 |                    |                       |
| Sources unknown     |                  |                    |               |              |                 |                    |                       |

| 11-5. Purchasing subject imports rather than domestic product | II-3. | Purchasing subject imports rather than dome | estic products |
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| (a) | Since January 1, 2021, did your firm import and/or purchase imports of epoxy resins |
|-----|---|
|     | from China, India, South Korea, Taiwan, and/or Thailand instead of purchasing U.S   |
|     | produced epoxy resins? Respond for each subject source.                             |

| Source      | Yes<br>(also respond to parts (b) and (c)) | No<br>(If "No" for all countries, skip to<br>question II-4) |
|-------------|--|---|
| China       |  |   |
| India       |  |   |
| South Korea |  |   |
| Taiwan      |  |   |
| Thailand    |  |   |

(b) If you responded "Yes" to part (a), was the imported product priced lower than the domestic product?

| Source      | Yes | No |
|-------------|-----|----|
| China       |     |    |
| India       |     |    |
| South Korea |     |    |
| Taiwan      |     |    |
| Thailand    |     |    |

(c) If you responded "Yes" to part (a), was price a primary reason for importing and/or purchasing subject imports rather than domestic product?

| Source  | Yes | If Yes, estimate the quantity of imports purchased and/or imported instead of domestic product since January 1, 2021 (in 1000 pounds) | No | If No, please indicate the reason your firm imported and/or purchased imports instead of domestic product |
|---|-----|---|----|---|
| China   |     |   |    |   |
| India   |     |   |    |   |
| South Korea   |     |   |    |   |
| Taiwan  |     |   |    |   |
| Thailand  |     |   |    |   |
| If the quantity reported above exceeds the total quantity reported in II-1, please explain. |     |   |    |   |

# II-4. U.S. producers and import competition.—

(a) Since January 1, 2021, in connection with a sale or offer to sell epoxy resins to your firm, did U.S. producers reduce their prices of domestically produced epoxy resins in order to compete with lower-priced imports of epoxy resins from the subject countries? Respond for each subject country.

| Source      | Yes (also respond to question part (b)) | No (If "No" for all countries, skip to next question) | Don't know |
|-------------|---|---|------------|
| China       |   |   |            |
| India       |   |   |            |
| South Korea |   |   |            |
| Taiwan      |   |   |            |
| Thailand    |   |   |            |

(b) If your firm responded "yes" to any of the above countries, please provide an estimate of the reduction in U.S. producers' prices and any additional explanations.

| Source         | Estimated reduction in U.S. prices (percent) | Additional explanation, including such information as timing (e.g., months/years), frequency of price reductions, or other market/competitive factors |
|----------------|--|---|
| China          | %  |   |
| India          | %  |   |
| South<br>Korea | %  |   |
| Taiwan         | %  |   |
| Thailand       | %  |   |

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II-5. <u>Country knowledge.</u>--Please indicate whether your firm has experience or is otherwise familiar with epoxy resins produced in the following countries.

| United<br>States | China | India | South<br>Korea | Taiwan | Thailand | Other countries | Other countries (specify) |
|------------------|-------|-------|----------------|--------|----------|-----------------|---------------------------|
|                  |       |       |                |        |          |                 |                           |

II-6. <u>Supplier identification</u>.--Please list your firm's <u>FIVE</u> largest suppliers for epoxy resins since January 1, 2021, by quantity. Also, provide the share of the quantity of your firm's total purchases of epoxy resins that each of these suppliers accounted for in 2023.

| No. | Supplier's name | City and state | Share of quantity of 2023 purchases |
|-----|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1   |                 |                | %                                   |
| 2   |                 |                | %                                   |
| 3   |                 |                | %                                   |
| 4   |                 |                | %                                   |
| 5   |                 |                | %                                   |

# PART III.--MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES

| III-1. | Firm typeWhich of the following best describes your firm as a purchaser of epoxy resins |
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|        | (check all that apply)?   |

| End user | Distributor | Formulator | Blender | Formulator/Blender | Other | Describe other |
|----------|-------------|------------|---------|--------------------|-------|----------------|
|          |             |            |         |                    |       |                |

If your firm is a distributor of epoxy resins please answer questions III-2 and III-3.

| III-2. | Competition for salesDoes your firm compete for sales to customers with the manufacturers |
|--------|---|
|        | or importers from which your firm purchases epoxy resins?                                 |

| No | Yes | If yes, please describe. |
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| III-3. | Types of customersWhat are the major types of customers to which your firm sells epoxy |
|--------|--|
|        | resins?  |

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

III-4. <u>End uses.</u>--List the top 3 products your firm makes using epoxy resins and estimate the percent of your <u>total production cost</u> that is accounted for by epoxy resins and by other inputs (such as labor, energy, and other raw materials).

|                      |              |   |              |    | <b>Total</b> (should |
|----------------------|--------------|---|--------------|----|----------------------|
| Product(s) your firm |              |   |              |    | sum to<br>100.0%     |
| produces             | Epoxy resins |   | Other inputs |    | across)              |
|                      | %            | + | %            | =  | 0.0 %                |
|                      | %            | + | %            | =  | 0.0 %                |
|                      | %            | + | %            | II | 0.0 %                |

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

(a) Has the demand for your firm's final products incorporating epoxy resins steadily decreased, fluctuated but ended lower, were constant, fluctuated but ended higher, or steadily increased since January 1, 2021?

Select one answer.

| Steadily increased | Fluctuated up | Constant | Fluctuated<br>down | Steadily decreased |
|--------------------|---------------|----------|--------------------|--------------------|
|                    |               |          |                    |                    |

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

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

|  | N                               | 0            | YesPle                | ease fill o | ut the tab | le.   |   |                               |  |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------|-------|---|-------------------------------|--|
|  | Substitute                      |              | End use in which this |             |            |       | Have changes in the price of this substitute affected the price for epoxy resins? |                               |  |
| Su   |                                 |              | substitute is used    |             |            | Yes   |   | Explanation                   |  |
| 1.   |                                 |              |                       |             |            |       |   |                               |  |
| 2.   |                                 |              |                       |             |            |       |   |                               |  |
| 3.   |                                 |              |                       |             |            |       |   |                               |  |
| ect one box per  |                                 | Steadily     | Fluctuate             | No          | Fluctuate  | e     | Steadily  |                               |  |
|  |                                 | increase     | up                    | change      | down       |       | decrease  | Explanation and f             |  |
| Market   |                                 |              |                       |             |            |       |   |                               |  |
| Within the Unite   | ed States                       |              |                       |             |            |       |   |                               |  |
|  | ed States                       |              |                       |             |            |       |   |                               |  |
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| III-9. | Importance of purchasing domestic product Please fill out the table below, estimating the      |
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| share  | of your firm's total 2023 purchases of epoxy resins that required epoxy resins produced in the |
| United | d States.  |

|   | Estimated share of your firm's total 2023 purchases of epoxy resins |
|---|---|
| Purchases that did not require domestic product   | %   |
| Purchases that were required by law or regulation to be domestic product (e.g., government purchases under "Buy American" provisions) | %   |
| Purchases that were not required by law or regulation, but were required by your customers to be domestic product                     | %   |
| Purchases that were required to be domestic product for other reasons   |   |
| (explain:)  | %   |
| Total (should sum to 100.0%)  | 0.0 %   |

| III-10. | Business cyclesIs the epoxy resins market subject to business cycles, either during the year of |
|---------|---|
|         | across years? If yes, describe.   |

| No | Yes | If yes, please describe, including any changes since January 1, 2021. |
|----|-----|---|
|    |     |   |

III-11. Conditions of competition.--Is the epoxy resins market subject to conditions of competition distinctive to epoxy resins other than the business cycles described in the previous question? If yes, describe.

| N | lo | Yes | If yes, please describe, including any changes since January 1, 2021. |
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| III-12. | Decisions based on producer and country-of-origin How often does your firm, and if known,    |
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|         | do your customers, make purchasing decisions involving epoxy resins based on its producer or |
|         | country of origin?   |

| Item           | Always                     | Usually | Sometimes      | Never     | If at least sometimes, explain noting the producers and/or countries. |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------------|----------------------------|---------|----------------|-----------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
|                | Decision based on producer |         |                |           |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Your firm      |                            |         |                |           |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Your customers |                            |         |                |           |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                |                            | Decis   | ion based on c | ountry of | origin  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Your firm      |                            |         |                |           |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Your customers |                            |         |                |           |   |  |  |  |  |  |

III-13. Availability of supply.--Has the availability of epoxy resins in the U.S. market changed since January 1, 2021?

| Availability in the U.S. market                                    | No | Yes | Please explain, noting the countries and reasons for the changes. |
|--|----|-----|---|
| U.Sproduced product  |    |     |   |
| Imports from China,<br>India, South Korea,<br>Taiwan, and Thailand |    |     |   |
| Imports from other sources   |    |     |   |

| III-14. | Supply | constraints |
|---------|--------|-------------|
|---------|--------|-------------|

| (a) | Has any firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply your firm with epoxy resins    |
|-----|---|
|     | 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,      |
|     | etc.)?  |

| No - skip to III-15 | Yes – respond to (b) |
|---------------------|----------------------|
|                     |                      |

(b) For each year that your firm faced supply constraints, identify the source(s) of the constraint (U.S. producers, foreign producers and/or importers, or all), and describe the constraints with the details requested below.

| Period                      | _ | Description: include the name of the supplier(s), country of origin of the epoxy resins, as well as the timing, duration, and reason for the constraint. |
|-----------------------------|---|--|
| 2021                        |   |  |
| 2022                        |   |  |
| 2023                        |   |  |
| January 1- April 3,<br>2024 |   |  |
| Since April 3, 2024         |   |  |

III-15. <u>Availability of specific product types.--</u>Are certain grades/types/sizes of epoxy resins only available from certain country sources?

| No | Yes | If yes, please identify the countries and the grades/types/sizes available only from those countries. |
|----|-----|---|
|    |     |   |

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|---------|--|---|----------|---|---------------|----------------|-----------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| III-16. | <u>Purcha</u> :  | sing freq   | uency.   |   |               |                |           |                             |  |  |
|         | (a)  | (a) How frequently does your firm make purchases of epoxy resins (check one)? |          |   |               |                |           |                             |  |  |
|         |  | Daily Weekly Monthly Quarterly Annually Other If other, specify               |          |   |               |                |           |                             |  |  |
|         |  |   |          |   |               |                |           |                             |  |  |
|         | (b)  | Has this  | purch    | asing frequency                         | changed sinc  | e January 1,   | 2021?     |                             |  |  |
|         |  | No  | Yes      | If yes, please                          | describe.     |                |           |                             |  |  |
|         |  |   |          |   |               |                |           |                             |  |  |
| III-17. | Raw ma   | aterial p   | rices. – | -                                       |               |                |           |                             |  |  |
|         |  | our firm<br>ins?  | familia  | r with the prices                       | s for raw mat | erials used ir | n the pro | duction of epoxy            |  |  |
|         |  | N   | 0        | <b>Yes</b> – please                     | answer (b)    |                |           |                             |  |  |
|         |  |   |          |   | ]             |                |           |                             |  |  |
|         |  |   |          | n raw material p<br>sins since Januai   |               | d your firm's  | negotiati | ons or contracts to         |  |  |
|         |  | No  | Yes      | Explain                                 |               |                |           |                             |  |  |
|         |  |   |          |   |               |                |           |                             |  |  |
| III-18. | Number of suppliers contactedHow many suppliers of epoxy resins does your firm generally contact before making a purchase? Between and firms |   |          |   |               |                |           |                             |  |  |
| III-19. |  | _   |          | Do your firm's<br>I suppliers of ep     |               | epoxy resin    | s usually | involve negotiations        |  |  |
|         | No   | Yes   |          | es, explain the far<br>r firm quotes co | -             | _              |           | tes and note whether<br>ns. |  |  |
|         |  |   |          |   |               |                |           |                             |  |  |

|  |   |          |                        | business Proprietury   |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|----------|------------------------|--|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
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| III-20.  | Change in suppliersHas your firm changed suppliers since January 1, 2021?   |          |                        |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | No Yes If yes, please list the supplier(s), whether the firm was added or dropped and the reasons for the change.   |          |                        |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |          |                        |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| III-21.  | -   |          | •                      | are of any new suppliers, either foreign or domestic, that have nuary 1, 2021?   |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | No  | Yes      | If yes, ple            | ease identify the firms.   |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |          |                        |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| III-22.  |   |          | ionDo y<br>o your firn | ou require your suppliers to be or to become certified or qualifien?   | ed to |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>If yes, provide the following information.</li> <li>The number of days required to qualify a new supplier.</li> <li>A general description of the certification or qualification process. Also, a brief description of the factors that you consider when qualifying a new supplier (e.g., quality of product, reliability of supplier, etc.).</li> </ul> |          |                        |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | No  | Yes      | Number of days         | Certification/qualification process and factors considered   |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |          |                        |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| III-23. Failure to certifySince January 1, 2021, have any domestic or foreign producers failed in their attempts to certify or qualify their epoxy resins with your firm or have any producers lost their approved status? |   |          |                        |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | No  | Yes      | located,               | ease identify these producers, the countries where they are and the reasons why they failed or lost the ion/qualification. |       |  |  |  |  |  |
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|   | 2.   |                   |                     |               |
|---|--|-------------------|---------------------|---------------|
|   | 3.   |                   |                     |               |
|   | Please list any other factors that are   | very important in | your purchase de    | cisions:      |
| • | <u>Purchasing factors.</u> Please rate the in purchasing decisions for epoxy resins. | •                 | following factors i | n your firm's |
|   | Factor   | Very<br>important | Somewhat important  | Not important |
|   | Availability   |                   |                     |               |
|   | Delivery terms   |                   |                     |               |
|   | Delivery time  |                   |                     |               |
|   | Discounts offered  |                   |                     |               |
|   | Minimum quantity requirements  |                   |                     |               |
|   | Packaging  |                   |                     |               |
|   | Payment terms  |                   |                     |               |
|   | Price  |                   |                     |               |
|   | Product consistency  |                   |                     |               |
|   | Product range  |                   |                     |               |
|   | Quality meets industry standards   |                   |                     |               |
|   | Quality exceeds industry standards   |                   |                     |               |
|   | Reliability of supply  |                   |                     |               |
|   | Technical support/service  |                   |                     |               |
|   | U.S. transportation costs  |                   |                     |               |

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| III-27. | Minimum qualityHow often do epoxy resins from the following countries meet minimum |
|---------|--|
|         | quality specifications for your uses or your customers' uses?                      |

| Source        | Always | Usually | Sometimes | Rarely or never | Don't<br>know |
|---------------|--------|---------|-----------|-----------------|---------------|
| United States |        |         |           |                 |               |
| China         |        |         |           |                 |               |
| India         |        |         |           |                 |               |
| South Korea   |        |         |           |                 |               |
| Taiwan        |        |         |           |                 |               |
| Thailand      |        |         |           |                 |               |
| Other:        |        |         |           |                 |               |

| III-28. | Frequency of decisions based on priceHow often does your firm purchase the epoxy resins |
|---------|---|
|         | that are offered at the lowest price?   |

| Always | Usually | Sometimes | Never |
|--------|---------|-----------|-------|
|        |         |           |       |

III-29. <u>Price leaders.</u>--A price leader is defined as (1) one or more firms that initiate a price change, either upward or downward, that is followed by other firms, or (2) one or more firms that have a significant impact on prices. A price leader is not necessarily the lowest-priced supplier.

Please list the names of any firms you have considered price leaders in the epoxy resins market since January 1, 2021.

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

| III-30. | 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 epoxy resins market 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 imp<br>the timing of such impacts. | pact on cost, price, supply, and | d/or demand, and include |

#### PART IV.—PRODUCT COMPARISONS

IV-1. <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)?

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-<br>pair | China | India | South<br>Korea | Taiwan | Thailand | Other sources |
|------------------|-------|-------|----------------|--------|----------|---------------|
| United<br>States |       |       |                |        |          |               |
| China            |       |       |                |        |          |               |
| India            |       |       |                |        |          |               |
| South Korea      |       |       |                |        |          |               |
| Taiwan           |       |       |                |        |          |               |
| Thailand         |       |       |                |        |          |               |

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

IV-2. <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 purchases 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-<br>pair | China | India | South<br>Korea | Taiwan | Thailand | Other sources |
|------------------|-------|-------|----------------|--------|----------|---------------|
| United<br>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 purchases of epoxy resin, identify the country-pair and the relevant factors other than price and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:

IV-3. <u>Factor country comparisons.</u>--For the factors listed below, please rate how epoxy resins produced in each country you identified in your response with which you are familiar, as reported in question II-5, compare with epoxy resins produced in each of the other countries with which you are familiar.

|  | <u>Un</u> | Product from United States compared to product from China |          |  | <u>Uni</u><br>cor | duct fr<br>ted Sta<br>npared<br>duct fr<br>India | <u>ites</u><br>I to | Product from United States compared to product from South Korea |            |          |  |
|--|-----------|---|----------|--|-------------------|--|---------------------|---|------------|----------|--|
| Factor                                 | Superior  | Comparable  | Inferior |  | Superior          | Comparable                                       | Inferior            | Superior  | Comparable | Inferior |  |
| Availability                           |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Delivery terms                         |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Delivery time                          |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Discounts offered                      |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Minimum quantity requirements          |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Packaging                              |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Payment terms                          |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Price <sup>1</sup>                     |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Product consistency                    |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Product range                          |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Quality meets industry standards       |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Quality exceeds industry standards     |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Reliability of supply                  |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| Technical support/service              |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |
| U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup> |           |   |          |  |                   |  |                     |   |            |          |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A rating of "superior" on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

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|  | Product from United States compared to product from Taiwan |            |          | Product from <u>United States</u> compared to product from <u>Thailand</u> |            |          | Product from China compared to product from India |            |          |
|--|--|------------|----------|--|------------|----------|---|------------|----------|
| Factor                                 | Superior   | Comparable | Inferior | Superior   | Comparable | Inferior | Superior  | Comparable | Inferior |
| Availability                           |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Delivery terms                         |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Delivery time                          |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Discounts offered                      |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Minimum quantity requirements          |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Packaging                              |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Payment terms                          |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Price <sup>1</sup>                     |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Product consistency                    |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Product range                          |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Quality meets industry standards       |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Quality exceeds industry standards     |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Reliability of supply                  |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| Technical support/service              |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |
| U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup> |  |            |          |  |            |          |   |            |          |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A rating of 'superior" on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

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|  | Product from China compared to product from South Korea |            |          | Product from <u>China</u> compared to product from <u>Taiwan</u> |            |          | China<br>pro | oduct fr<br>_compa<br>oduct fr<br><u>[hailand</u> | red to<br>om |
|--|---|------------|----------|--|------------|----------|--------------|---|--------------|
| Factor                                 | Superior  | Comparable | Inferior | Superior   | Comparable | Inferior | Superior     | Comparable  | Inferior     |
| Availability                           |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Delivery terms                         |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Delivery time                          |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Discounts offered                      |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Minimum quantity requirements          |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Packaging                              |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Payment terms                          |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Price <sup>1</sup>                     |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Product consistency                    |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Product range                          |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Quality meets industry standards       |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Quality exceeds industry standards     |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Reliability of supply                  |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| Technical support/service              |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |
| U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup> |   |            |          |  |            |          |              |   |              |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A rating of 'superior" on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

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|  | Product from India compared to product from South Korea |            |          | Product from India compared to product from Taiwan |            |          | <u>India</u><br>pro | oduct fr<br>compa<br>oduct fr<br>Thailand | red to<br>om |
|--|---|------------|----------|--|------------|----------|---------------------|---|--------------|
| Factor                                 | Superior  | Comparable | Inferior | Superior   | Comparable | Inferior | Superior            | Comparable                                | Inferior     |
| Availability                           |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Delivery terms                         |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Delivery time                          |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Discounts offered                      |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Minimum quantity requirements          |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Packaging                              |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Payment terms                          |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Price <sup>1</sup>                     |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Product consistency                    |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Product range                          |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Quality meets industry standards       |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Quality exceeds industry standards     |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Reliability of supply                  |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| Technical support/service              |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |
| U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup> |   |            |          |  |            |          |                     |   |              |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A rating of 'superior" on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

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|  | Product from South Korea compared to product from Taiwan |            |          | Product from South Korea compared to product from Thailand |            |          | Taiwa<br>to p | oduct fr<br>an_com<br>roduct f | pared<br>from |
|--|--|------------|----------|--|------------|----------|---------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Factor                                 | Superior   | Comparable | Inferior | Superior   | Comparable | Inferior | Superior      | Comparable                     | Inferior      |
| Availability                           |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Delivery terms                         |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Delivery time                          |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Discounts offered                      |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Minimum quantity requirements          |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Packaging                              |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Payment terms                          |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Price <sup>1</sup>                     |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Product consistency                    |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Product range                          |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Quality meets industry standards       |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Quality exceeds industry standards     |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Reliability of supply                  |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| Technical support/service              |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |
| U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup> |  |            |          |  |            |          |               |                                |               |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A rating of 'superior" on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

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|   | Product from United States compared to product from Other sources |            |          |  | cor<br>pro | Product from China compared to product from Other sources |          |  | <u>India</u><br>pro | oduct fr<br>compa<br>oduct fr<br>ner sour | red to<br>om |
|---|---|------------|----------|--|------------|---|----------|--|---------------------|---|--------------|
| Factor  | Superior  | Comparable | Inferior |  | Superior   | Comparable  | Inferior |  | Superior            | Comparable                                | Inferior     |
| Availability  |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Delivery terms  |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Delivery time   |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Discounts offered   |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Minimum quantity requirements   |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Packaging   |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Payment terms   |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Price <sup>1</sup>  |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Product consistency   |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Product range   |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Quality meets industry standards  |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Quality exceeds industry standards  |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Reliability of supply   |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| Technical support/service   |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup>  |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |
| <sup>1</sup> A rating of 'superior" on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower |   |            |          |  |            |   |          |  |                     |   |              |

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|  | So<br>compa | Product from South Korea compared to product from Other sources |          |  | Product from Taiwan compared to product from Other sources |            |          | Thaila<br>to p | oduct fr<br>ind com<br>roduct t | pared<br>from |
|--|-------------|---|----------|--|--|------------|----------|----------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Factor                                 | Superior    | Comparable  | Inferior |  | Superior   | Comparable | Inferior | Superior       | Comparable                      | Inferior      |
| Availability                           |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Delivery terms                         |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Delivery time                          |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Discounts offered                      |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Minimum quantity requirements          |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Packaging                              |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Payment terms                          |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Price <sup>1</sup>                     |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Product consistency                    |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Product range                          |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Quality meets industry standards       |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Quality exceeds industry standards     |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Reliability of supply                  |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| Technical support/service              |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |
| U.S. transportation costs <sup>1</sup> |             |   |          |  |  |            |          |                |                                 |               |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A rating of 'superior" on price and U.S. transportation costs indicates that the first country generally has lower prices/U.S. transportation costs than the second country.

| PART V.— | ADDITIONAL | <b>INFORM</b> | ATION |
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| <b>V-1</b> . | Other explanationsIf your firm would like to further explain a response to any question for |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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