

U.S. PURCHASERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

HEXAMINE FROM CHINA, GERMANY, INDIA, AND SAUDI ARABIA

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by **June 3, 2025**
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 hexamine (hexamethylenetetramine) from China, Germany, India, and Saudi Arabia (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-737-738 and 731-TA-1712-1715 (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 Stephanie Myers Irizarry (202-205-2866, stephanie.myersirizarry@usitc.gov).

Name of firm _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Website _____

Has your firm purchased hexamine from any source (domestic or foreign), or imported hexamine at any time since January 1, 2022?

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

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

Return questionnaire via the Commission's secure portal by clicking on the following link:
<https://usitc.gov/qportal>. (PIN: **HEXA**, Phase: **Final**). See last page for detailed instructions.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information herein supplied in response to this questionnaire is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and understand that the information submitted is subject to audit and verification by the Commission. By submitting this certification I also grant consent for the Commission, and its employees and contract personnel, to use the information provided in this questionnaire and throughout this proceeding in any other import-injury proceedings conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise.

I, the undersigned, acknowledge that information submitted in response to this request for information and throughout this proceeding or other proceedings may be disclosed to and used: (i) by the Commission, its employees and Offices, and contract personnel (a) for developing or maintaining the records of this or a related proceeding, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, reviews, and evaluations relating to the programs, personnel, and operations of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3; or (ii) by U.S. government employees and contract personnel, solely for cybersecurity purposes. I understand that all contract personnel will sign appropriate nondisclosure agreements.

Name of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

Date

Signature

Phone

Email address

PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

Background. This proceeding was instituted in response to a petition filed on September 30, 2024, by Bakelite Synthetics, Atlanta, Georgia. Countervailing and antidumping duties may be assessed on the subject imports as a result of these proceedings if the Commission makes an affirmative determination of injury, threat, or material retardation, and if the U.S. Department of Commerce (“Commerce”) makes an affirmative determination of subsidization and/or dumping. Pertinent information to this proceeding is available at:

Questionnaires: https://usitc.gov/reports/active_import_injury_questionnaires.

Other case information: <https://ids.usitc.gov/case/8225/investigation/8672>

Hexamine covered by this proceeding is hexamine in granular form, with a particle size of 5 millimeters or less, whether stabilized or unstabilized, whether or not blended, mixed, pulverized, or grounded with other products, containing 50 percent or more hexamine by weight.

Hexamine is the common name for hexamethylene tetramine (Chemical Abstract Service #100–97–0), and is also referred to as 1,3,5,7-tetraazaadamantanemethenamine; HMT; HMTA; 1,3,5,7-tetraazatricyclo {3.3.1.1^{3,7}} decane; 1,3,5,7-tetraaza adamantane; hexamethylenamine. Hexamine has the chemical formula C₆H₁₂N₄.

Granular hexamine that has been blended with other product(s) is included in this scope when the resulting mix contains 50 percent or more of hexamine by weight, regardless of whether it is blended with inert additives, co-reactants, or any additives that undergo self-condensation.

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

Hexamine is imported under statistical reporting number 2933.69.5000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). The HTSUS provisions and Chemical Abstracts Service registry number are for convenience and customs purposes; the written description of the scope is dispositive.

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

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.

Confidentiality. The commercial and financial data furnished in response to this questionnaire that reveal the individual operations of your firm will be treated as confidential by the Commission to the extent that such data are not otherwise available to the public and will not be disclosed except as may be required by law (*see* 19 U.S.C. § 1677f). Such confidential information will not be published in a manner that will reveal the individual operations of your firm; however, general characterizations of numerical business proprietary information (such as discussion of trends) will be treated as confidential business information only at the request of the submitter for good cause shown.

Verification. The information submitted in this questionnaire is subject to audit and verification by the Commission. To facilitate possible verification of data, please keep all files, worksheets, and supporting documents used in the preparation of the questionnaire response. Please also retain a copy of the final document that you submit.

Release of information. The information provided by your firm in response to this questionnaire, as well as any other business proprietary information submitted by your firm to the Commission in connection with this proceeding, may become subject to, and released under, the administrative protective order provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1677f) and section 207.7 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR § 207.7). This means that certain lawyers and other authorized individuals may temporarily be given access to the information for use in connection with this proceeding or other import-injury proceedings conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise; those individuals would be subject to severe penalties if the information were divulged to unauthorized individuals.

- I-1. **Reporting requirements.** Please report 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 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, import_injury@usitc.gov.

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

"Establishment" --Each facility of a firm involved in the purchase of hexamine, including auxiliary facilities operated in conjunction with (whether or not physically separate from) such facilities.

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

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

Law firm:	
Lead attorney(s):	

I-3. **Ownership.** Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm?

☐ No ☐ Yes--List the following information, relating to the ultimate parent/owner.

Firm name	Country	Extent of ownership (percent)

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

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

☐ No ☐ Yes--List the following information.

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

PART II. PURCHASES

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

Name	
Title	
Email	
Telephone	

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

"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.

	2022	2023	2024	January— March 2025
Item	Quantity (in pounds)			
Purchases of hexamine produced in—				
United States				
China				
Germany				
India				
Saudi Arabia				
Russia				
All other countries ¹				
Sources unknown ²				
Total purchases	0	0	0	0
Imports of hexamine from—				
China				
Germany				
India				
Saudi Arabia				
Russia				
All other countries ¹				
Total imports ³	0	0	0	0

¹ Please identify these countries:

² Please indicate the firm(s) from which you purchased this merchandise:

³ If your firm imported hexamine at any time since January 1, 2022, please contact Charles Cummings at Charles.Cummings@usitc.gov to complete and return a U.S. importers' questionnaire in this proceeding.

II-2. **Changes in purchasing patterns.** Please indicate whether the shares of your firm's purchases of hexamine steadily decreased, fluctuated but ended lower, were constant, fluctuated but ended higher, or steadily increased since January 1, 2022 from the listed sources.

Select one box per row.

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II-3. Purchasing subject imports rather than domestic products.

- (a) Since January 1, 2022, did your firm import and/or purchase imports of hexamine from China, Germany, India, or Saudi Arabia instead of purchasing U.S.-produced hexamine? Respond for each subject country.

Source	Yes (also respond to parts (b) and (c))	No (If "No" for all countries, skip to next question)
China	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Germany	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
India	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Saudi Arabia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

Source	Yes	No
China	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Germany	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
India	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Saudi Arabia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- (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, 2022 (in pounds)	No	If No, please indicate the reason your firm imported and/or purchased imports instead of domestic product
China	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Germany	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
India	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Saudi Arabia	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
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, 2022, in connection with a sale or offer to sell hexamine to your firm, did U.S. producers reduce their prices of domestically produced hexamine in order to compete with lower-priced imports of hexamine 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	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Germany	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
India	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Saudi Arabia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- (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	%	
Germany	%	
India	%	
Saudi Arabia	%	

- II-5. **Country knowledge.** Please indicate whether your firm has experience or is otherwise familiar with hexamine produced in the following countries.

United States	China	Germany	India	Saudi Arabia	Other countries	Other countries (specify)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- II-6. **Supplier identification.** Please list your firm's **FIVE** largest suppliers for hexamine since January 1, 2022, by quantity. Also, provide the share of the quantity of your firm's total purchases of hexamine that each of these suppliers accounted for in 2024.

No.	Supplier's name	City and state	Share of quantity of 2024 purchases
1			%
2			%
3			%
4			%
5			%

PART III. MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES

III-1. **Firm type.** Which of the following best describes your firm as a purchaser of hexamine (check all that apply)?

Tire and Rubber End user	Petrochemical and Plastic End user	All Other End Users	Distributor	Other	Describe other
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

III-2. **Competition for sales.**--Does your firm compete for sales to customers with the manufacturers or importers from which your firm purchases hexamine?

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

III-3. **Types of customers.**--What are the major types of customers to which your firm sells hexamine?

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

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

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

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

- (a) Has the demand for your firm's final products incorporating hexamine steadily increased, fluctuated but ended higher, been constant, fluctuated but ended lower, or steadily decreased since January 1, 2022?

Select one answer.

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

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

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

III-6. **Substitutes.** Can other products be substituted for hexamine?

☐ No

☐ Yes--Please fill out the table.

Substitute	End use in which this substitute is used	Have changes in the price of this substitute affected the price for hexamine?		
		No	Yes	Explanation
1.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-7. **Demand trends.** Has demand within the United States and outside of the United States (if known) for hexamine steadily increased, fluctuated but ended higher, not changed, fluctuated but ended lower, or steadily decreased since January 1, 2022? Explain any trends and describe the principal factors that have affected these changes in demand.

Select one box per row.

Market	Steadily increase	Fluctuate up	No change	Fluctuate down	Steadily decrease	Explanation and factors
Within the United States	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Outside the United States	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

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

- III-9. **Importance of purchasing domestic product.** Please fill out the table below, estimating the share of your firm's total 2024 purchases of hexamine that required hexamine produced in the United States.

Item	Estimated share of your firm's total 2024 purchases of hexamine
Purchases that did not require domestic product	%
Purchases that were required by law or regulation to be domestic product (e.g., government purchases under "Buy American" provisions)	%
Purchases that were not required by law or regulation, but were required by your customers to be domestic product	%
Purchases that were required to be domestic product for other reasons (explain: _____.)	%
Total (should sum to 100.0%)	0.0 %

- III-10. **Business cycles.** Is the hexamine market subject to business cycles, either during the year or across years? If yes, describe.

No	Yes	If yes, please describe, including any changes since January 1, 2022.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

No	Yes	If yes, please describe, including any changes since January 1, 2022.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- III-12. **Decisions based on producer and country-of-origin.** How often does your firm, and if known, do your customers, make purchasing decisions involving hexamine 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	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Your customers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Decision based on country of origin					
Your firm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Your customers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- III-13. **Availability of supply.** Has the availability of hexamine in the U.S. market changed since January 1, 2022?

Availability in the U.S. market	No	Yes	Please explain, noting the countries and reasons for the changes.
U.S.-produced product	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Imports from China, Germany, India, and Saudi Arabia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Imports from all other countries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-14. Supply constraints.

- (a) Has any firm refused, declined, or been unable to supply your firm with hexamine since January 1, 2022 (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 next question	Yes – respond to (b)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- (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. For constraints that span multiple years, check all years they exist and describe how they vary over time, if at all.

Period	Yes- U.S. producer	Yes- foreign producer or importer	Description: include the name of the supplier(s), country of origin of the hexamine, as well as the timing, duration, and reason for the constraint.
2022	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2023	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
January 1, 2025 - present	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- (c) Were there any specific supply constraints, listed in part b or otherwise, related to the petition that was filed on September 30, 2024?

No	Yes	If yes, please describe the constraints that were related to the petition being filed.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- III-15. **Availability of specific product types.** Are certain grades/types/sizes of hexamine only available from certain country sources?

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

- III-16. **Purchasing frequency.**

- (a) How frequently does your firm make purchases of hexamine (check one)?

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

- (b) Has this purchasing frequency changed since January 1, 2022?

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

- III-17. **Raw material prices.**

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

No – skip to next question	Yes – respond to (b)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- (b) Has information on raw material prices affected your firm's negotiations or contracts to purchase hexamine since January 1, 2022?

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

III-18. **Number of suppliers contacted.** How many suppliers of hexamine does your firm generally contact before making a purchase? Between ____ and ____ firms

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

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

III-20. **Change in suppliers.** Has your firm changed suppliers since January 1, 2022?

No	Yes	If yes, please list the supplier(s), whether the firm was added or dropped, and the reasons for the change.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

III-21. **New suppliers.** Are you aware of any new suppliers, either foreign or domestic, that have entered the market since January 1, 2022?

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

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

If yes, provide the following information.

- The number of days required to qualify a new supplier.
- A general description of the certification or qualification process. Also, a brief description of the factors that you consider when qualifying a new supplier (e.g., quality of product, reliability of supplier, etc.).

No	Yes	Number of days	Certification/qualification process and factors considered
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

- III-23. **Failure to certify.** Since January 1, 2022, have any domestic or foreign producers failed in their attempts to certify or qualify their hexamine with your firm or have any producers lost their approved status?

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

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

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

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

Factor	Very important	Somewhat important	Not important
Availability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delivery terms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delivery time	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Discounts offered	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Minimum quantity requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Packaging	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Payment terms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Price	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Product consistency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Product range	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Purity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality meets industry standards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality exceeds industry standards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reliability of supply	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Technical support/service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
U.S. transportation costs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

Source	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Rarely or never	Don't know
United States	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
China	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Germany	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
India	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Saudi Arabia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- III-28. **Frequency of decisions based on price.** How often does your firm purchase the hexamine that is offered at the lowest price?

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

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

Please list the names of any firms you have considered price leaders in the hexamine market since January 1, 2022.

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 hexamine market in the United States, including any effects on hexamine cost, price, supply, and/or demand, since January 1, 2022?

Yes	No	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

- III-31. **Downstream market competition.**

- (a) Do U.S. producers of hexamine in the United States compete with your firm in downstream markets for products that are made using hexamine as a material input?

No – skip to next question	Yes	If yes, please identify the downstream markets where this competition occurs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

- (b) Has your firm refused to purchase from U.S. producers of hexamine due to competition between your firms in the downstream markets identified above in part (a)?

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

- (c) Have U.S. producers of hexamine refused to supply your firm due to competition between your firms in the downstream markets identified above in part (a)?

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

- (d) Does being competitors in downstream markets for products that use hexamine as an input have other impacts (besides refusals of doing business) on your firm's relationship with U.S. producers in the hexamine market?

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

PART IV. PRODUCT COMPARISONS

IV-1. **Interchangeability**. How often is hexamine produced in the United States and in other countries interchangeable (i.e., can they physically be used in the same applications)?

Please indicate A, F, S, N, or O in the table below:

A = the products from a specified country-pair are *always* interchangeable

F = the products are *frequently* interchangeable

S = the products are *sometimes* interchangeable

N = the products are *never* interchangeable

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

Country-pair	China	Germany	India	Saudi Arabia	Other countries
United States					
China					
Germany					
India					
Saudi Arabia					
For any country-pair producing hexamine which is <i>sometimes</i> or <i>never</i> interchangeable, please identify the country-pair and explain the factors that limit or preclude the interchangeable use of hexamine produced in the countries:					

- IV-2. **Factors other than price.** How often are differences other than price (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, *etc.*) between hexamine produced in the United States and in other countries a significant factor in your firm's purchases of the products?

Please indicate A, F, S, N, or O in the table below:

A = such differences are *always* significant

F = such differences are *frequently* significant

S = such differences are *sometimes* significant

N = such differences are *never* significant

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

Country-pair	China	Germany	India	Saudi Arabia	Other countries
United States					
China					
Germany					
India					
Saudi Arabia					
For any country-pair for which factors other than price are <i>always</i> or <i>frequently</i> a significant factor in your firm's purchases of hexamine, identify the country-pair and the relevant factors other than price and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:					

- IV-3. **Factor country comparisons.** For the factors listed below, please rate how hexamine produced in each country you identified in your response with which you are familiar, as reported in question II-5, compares with hexamine produced in each of the other countries with which you are familiar.

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

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

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

IV-3. Continued.

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

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

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

PART V. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- V-1. **Other explanations.** If your firm would like to further explain a response to any question for which a narrative response box was not provided, please note the question number and the explanation in the space provided below.

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