

FOREIGN PRODUCERS'/EXPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

CITRIC ACID AND CERTAIN CITRATE SALTS FROM CANADA AND CHINA

This questionnaire must be received by the Commission by no later than February 9, 2009

See page 4 of the Instruction Booklet for filing instructions.

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its antidumping and countervailing duty investigations concerning citric acid and certain citrate salts from Canada and China (Inv. Nos. 701-TA-456 and 731-TA-1151-1152 (Final)). The information requested in the questionnaire is requested under the authority of the Tariff Act of 1930, title VII.

Name of firm _____

Address _____

World Wide Web address _____

Has your firm produced or exported citric acid or certain citrate salts (as defined in the instruction booklet) at any time since January 1, 2006?

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

☐ **YES** (Read the instruction booklet carefully, complete all parts of the questionnaire, and return the entire questionnaire to the Commission so as to be received by the date indicated above)

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 means of 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 these investigations in any other import-injury investigations conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise.

I acknowledge that information submitted in this questionnaire response and throughout these investigations may be used by the Commission, its employees, and contract personnel who are acting in the capacity of Commission employees, for developing or maintaining the records of these investigations or related proceedings for which this information is submitted, or in internal audits and investigations relating to the programs and operations of the Commission pursuant to 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3. I understand that all contract personnel will sign non-disclosure agreements.

Name of Authorized Official

Title of Authorized Official

Date

Signature

Phone: ()

Fax ()

E-mail address

PART I.—GENERAL INFORMATION

The questions in this questionnaire have been reviewed with market participants to ensure that issues of concern are adequately addressed and that data requests are sufficient, meaningful, and as limited as possible. Public reporting burden for this questionnaire is estimated to average 20 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering the data needed, and completing and reviewing the questionnaire. Send comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20436.

- I-1a. Please report below the actual number of hours required and the cost to your firm of preparing the reply to this questionnaire and completing the form.

_____ hours _____ dollars

- I-1b. We are interested in any comments you may have for improving this questionnaire in general or the clarity of specific questions. Please attach such comments to your response or send them to the above address.

- I-2. Provide the name and address of establishment(s) covered by this questionnaire (see page 3 of the instruction booklet for reporting guidelines). If your firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol.

- I-3. Please provide the names, street addresses (not P.O. boxes), contacts, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses of the **FIVE** largest U.S. importers of your firm's citric acid or certain citrate salts in 2008.

No.	Importer's name	Contact person	E-mail address	Area code and telephone number	Share of your 2008 exports (%)
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					

PART I.--GENERAL INFORMATION--*Continued*

I-4. Does your firm or any related firm produce, have the capability to produce, or have any plans to produce citric acid or certain citrate salts in the United States or other countries?

☐ No ☐ Yes--Please name the firm(s) and country(ies) below and, if U.S. producer(s), ensure that they complete the Commission's producer questionnaire.

I-5. Does your firm or any related firm import or have any plans to import citric acid or certain citrate salts into the United States?

☐ No ☐ Yes--Please name the firm(s) below and ensure that they complete the Commission's importer questionnaire.

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

II-1. Does your firm have any plans to add, expand, curtail, or shut down production capacity and/or production of citric acid or certain citrate salts in Canada or China?

☐ No

☐ Yes--Please describe those plans, including planned dates and capacity/production quantities involved, and the reason(s) for such change(s). If the plans are to add or expand capacity or production, list (in descending order of importance) the markets (countries) to which such additional capacity or production would be directed.

II-2. What percentage of your firm's total sales in its most recent fiscal year was represented by sales of citric acid or certain citrate salts?

_____ Percent

II-3. Does your firm produce products other than citric acid or certain citrate salts on the same equipment and machinery used in the production of citric acid or certain citrate salts?

☐ No

☐ Yes--List the following information.

Basis for allocation of capacity data (*e.g.*, sales): _____

Products produced on same equipment and share of total production in 2008 (*in percent*):

<u>Product</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<u>Citric Acid</u>	_____
<u>Sodium Citrate</u>	_____
<u>Potassium Citrate</u>	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION--*Continued*

II-4. Has your firm, since 2006, maintained any inventories of citric acid or certain citrate salts in the United States (not including inventories held by firms identified in questions I-3, I-4, or I-5)?

☐ No ☐ Yes--Report the quantity (in 1,000 dry pounds) of such end-of-period inventories below.

2006	2007	2008
_____	_____	_____

II-5. Is the citric acid or certain citrate salts exported by your firm subject to antidumping findings or remedies in any WTO-member countries?

☐ No ☐ Yes--List the products(s), countries affected, and the date of such findings/remedies.

Product	Country	Date
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION--Continued

II-6a. **Citric Acid and Certain Citrate Salts.** Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of citric acid or certain citrate salts in your establishment(s) in Canada or China during the specified periods. (See definitions in the instruction booklet.) Please note that tables II-6b, II-6c, and II-6d are subsets of and should equal table II-6a.

☐ Canada

☐ China

Quantity (in 1,000 dry pounds)					
Item	Actual experience			Projections ¹	
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Average production capacity ²					
Beginning-of-period inventories ³					
Production ⁴					
Shipments:					
Internal consumption/transfers					
Home market sales					
Exports to--					
United States ⁵					
All other export markets ⁶					
Total exports					
Total shipments					
End-of-period inventories					

¹ Please explain the basis for your projections.

² The production capacity (see definitions in instruction booklet) reported is based on operating _____ hours per week, _____ weeks per year. Please describe the methodology used to calculate production capacity, and explain any changes in reported capacity.

³ Reconciliation of data.--Please note that the **quantities** reported above should reconcile as follows: beginning-of-period inventories, plus production, less total shipments, equals end-of-period inventories. Do the data reported reconcile?

☐ Yes ☐ No--Please explain: _____

⁴ Please estimate the percentage of total production of citric acid and certain citrate salts in Canada or China accounted for by your firm's production in 2008.

_____ Percent

⁵ Please estimate the percentage of total exports to the United States of citric acid and certain citrate salts in Canada or China accounted for by your firm's exports in 2008.

_____ Percent

⁶ Identify other principal export markets and the relative share of each. Also indicate if the relative market share of these markets has changed significantly since 2006. _____

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION--*Continued*

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II-6b. **Citric Acid.** Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of citric acid in your establishment(s) in Canada or China during the specified periods. (See definitions in the instruction booklet.)

☐ Canada

☐ China

Quantity (in 1,000 dry pounds)					
Item	Actual experience			Projections ¹	
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Average production capacity ²					
Beginning-of-period inventories ³					
Production ⁴					
Shipments:					
Internal consumption/transfers					
Home market sales					
Exports to--					
United States ⁵					
All other export markets ⁶					
Total exports					
Total shipments					
End-of-period inventories					

¹ Please explain the basis for your projections.

² The production capacity (see definitions in instruction booklet) reported is based on operating _____ hours per week, _____ weeks per year. Please describe the methodology used to calculate production capacity, and explain any changes in reported capacity.

³ Reconciliation of data.--Please note that the **quantities** reported above should reconcile as follows: beginning-of-period inventories, plus production, less total shipments, equals end-of-period inventories. Do the data reported reconcile?

☐ Yes ☐ No--Please explain: _____

⁴ Please estimate the percentage of total production of citric acid in Canada or China accounted for by your firm's production in 2008.

_____ Percent

⁵ Please estimate the percentage of total exports to the United States of citric acid in Canada or China accounted for by your firm's exports in 2008.

_____ Percent

⁶ Identify other principal export markets and the relative share of each. Also indicate if the relative market share of these markets has changed significantly since 2006. _____

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION--Continued

II-6c. **Sodium Citrate.** Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of sodium citrate in your establishment(s) in Canada or China during the specified periods. (See definitions in the instruction booklet.)

☐ Canada

☐ China

Quantity (in 1,000 dry pounds)					
Item	Actual experience			Projections ¹	
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Average production capacity ²					
Beginning-of-period inventories ³					
Production ⁴					
Shipments:					
Internal consumption/transfers					
Home market sales					
Exports to--					
United States ⁵					
All other export markets ⁶					
Total exports					
Total shipments					
End-of-period inventories					

¹ Please explain the basis for your projections.

² The production capacity (see definitions in instruction booklet) reported is based on operating _____ hours per week, _____ weeks per year. Please describe the methodology used to calculate production capacity, and explain any changes in reported capacity.

³ **Reconciliation of data.**--Please note that the **quantities** reported above should reconcile as follows: beginning-of-period inventories, plus production, less total shipments, equals end-of-period inventories. Do the data reported reconcile?

☐ Yes ☐ No--Please explain: _____

⁴ Please estimate the percentage of total production of sodium citrate in Canada or China accounted for by your firm's production in 2008.

_____ Percent

⁵ Please estimate the percentage of total exports to the United States of sodium citrate in Canada or China accounted for by your firm's exports in 2008.

_____ Percent

⁶ Identify other principal export markets and the relative share of each. Also indicate if the relative market share of these markets has changed significantly since 2006. _____

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION--Continued

II-6d. **Potassium Citrate.** Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, and inventories related to the production of potassium citrate in your establishment(s) in Canada or China during the specified periods. (See definitions in the instruction booklet.)

☐ Canada

☐ China

Quantity (in 1,000 dry pounds)					
Item	Actual experience			Projections ¹	
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Average production capacity ²					
Beginning-of-period inventories ³					
Production ⁴					
Shipments:					
Internal consumption/transfers					
Home market sales					
Exports to--					
United States ⁵					
All other export markets ⁶					
Total exports					
Total shipments					
End-of-period inventories					

¹ Please explain the basis for your projections.

² The production capacity (see definitions in instruction booklet) reported is based on operating _____ hours per week, _____ weeks per year. Please describe the methodology used to calculate production capacity, and explain any changes in reported capacity.

³ Reconciliation of data.--Please note that the **quantities** reported above should reconcile as follows: beginning-of-period inventories, plus production, less total shipments, equals end-of-period inventories. Do the data reported reconcile?

☐ Yes ☐ No--Please explain: _____

⁴ Please estimate the percentage of total production of potassium citrate in Canada or China accounted for by your firm's production in 2008.

_____ Percent

⁵ Please estimate the percentage of total exports to the United States of potassium citrate in Canada or China accounted for by your firm's exports in 2008.

_____ Percent

⁶ Identify other principal export markets and the relative share of each. Also indicate if the relative market share of these markets has changed significantly since 2006. _____