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2007 ANNUAL WHOLESALE TRADE REPORT MANUFACTURERS' SALES BRANCHES AND OFFICES

YOUR RESPONSE IS REQUIRED BY LAW. Title 13, United States Code, requires businesses and other organizations that receive this questionnaire to answer the questions and return the report to the U.S. Census Bureau.

**INFORMATION COPY
DO NOT USE TO REPORT**

(Please correct any error(s) in name, address, and ZIP Code)

Have questions?
Call 1-800-327-4389 (option 3)
Weekdays
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. EST

How can I report?

Via Fax:
1-800-447-4613

Via Mail:
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU
1201 East 10th Street
Jeffersonville, IN 47132-0001

Via Internet:
<http://www.census.gov/econhelp/awts>
Use your firm's unique username and original password. If you change your password, please keep a record for reference.

Username: _____ Password: _____

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- This report should cover ALL manufacturers' sales branches and offices **operated by your company and its subsidiaries in the United States** (all 50 States and the District of Columbia), except for subsidiaries of operating units which have been requested to submit separate Annual Wholesale Trade reports to the U.S. Census Bureau.
- For establishments sold or acquired during 2007, report data only for the period the establishments were operated by your firm.
- Estimates are acceptable if book figures are not available.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

1 OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL

Name and address of controlling firm

Does another firm own more than 50 percent of the working stock or have the power to control the management and policies of this firm?

- 050 1 YES – **What are the name and address of the owning or controlling firm and its Employer Identification Number?** ➔
- 2 NO – Continue with 2A

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2 MANUFACTURING OR MINING IN THE UNITED STATES

A. In 2007, did this firm or its parent, subsidiaries, or affiliates have any manufacturing or mining operations in the United States?

- YES – Continue with 2B.
- NO ➔ Go to page 4. Describe your type of business in item 10 Remarks section, then complete item 11 Contact person and return this form in the enclosed envelope.

B. In 2007, did this firm or its subsidiaries have any sales locations that sold (or distributed) products manufactured or mined in the United States either by this firm, or by a parent, subsidiary, or affiliated company?

- YES – Continue with 3.
- NO ➔ Go to page 4. Describe your type of business in item 10 Remarks section, then complete item 11 Contact person and return this form in the enclosed envelope.

3 NUMBER OF MANUFACTURERS' SALES BRANCHES AND OFFICES

What was the total number of sales branches and offices that met the criteria below on December 31, 2007?

Number in 2007

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Include:

- Sales locations where more than half of the goods sold consist of goods manufactured, assembled or mined in the United States by this firm or by a parent, subsidiary, or affiliated manufacturer or mine
- Sales locations that are co-located with manufacturing plants, but for which separate records are kept
- Sales locations located separately from a warehouse, manufacturing, or other operating location
- Sales locations regardless of whether they held inventory
- Centers where orders are taken or solicited, and offices of marketing or sales managers, for which records are kept separately from those of manufacturing plants

Exclude:

- Agents or brokers primarily selling goods on consignment
- Locations where more than half of the goods sold consist of goods manufactured outside the United States and/or goods purchased from other companies
- Manufacturing locations without separate sales personnel
- Locations selling directly to the general public

NOTE:

If you reported "0," please describe the sales at locations owned by your firm and its subsidiaries in item 10 Remarks section. Complete item 11 Contact person and return this form in the enclosed envelope.

4 DOLLAR VOLUME OF BUSINESS



Instructions: Sales should cover 12 months of data. If sales are for a fiscal year, sales should represent 12 months of data and include at least 6 months of data from the referenced year.

A. In 2007, what were the total sales and other operating receipts EXCLUDING sales (or other) taxes collected but INCLUDING the value of liquor and tobacco tax stamps for only the sales branches and offices reported in 3? (Include e-commerce sales reported in 5B)

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\$ Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.
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INCLUDE

- **All sales** of your sales branches and offices reported in 3 whether they are your own products or products you purchased
- Gross value of sales made on a commission basis for non-affiliated firms
- Receipts from freight, installations, rentals, maintenance, repairs, alterations, storage, and other such services
- Excise taxes (such as those on gasoline, liquor, and tobacco) which are levied on the manufacturer and included in the cost of products

EXCLUDE

- Direct sales made by manufacturing plant personnel
- Foreign sales of products that never enter the United States
- Commissions earned for the sale of products in the United States
- Nonoperating receipts (such as interest income, income from investments, and receipts from the rental or sale of real estate)
- Receipts from customers for carrying or other credit charges

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- Refunds and allowances for returned products
- The actual value of rebates and discounts granted to the purchaser, even if granted as an increase in trade-in allowance

B. Did you report sales figures in 4 A for the period that began on January 1 and ended on December 31?

106 **YES** – Continue with 5 on the next page.

NO → Please report your beginning and ending dates for 2007

Beginning date
Ending date

2007		
Month	Day	Year
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5 E-COMMERCE

A. Did the sales branches and offices reported in 3 have any e-commerce and/or Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) network sales during 2007?

E-commerce sales and/or receipts are sales of goods and services, where an order is placed by the buyer, or the price and terms of the sale are negotiated over an Internet, extranet, EDI network, electronic mail, or other online system. Payment may or may not be made online.

- 120 1 YES – Continue with 5B
 2 NO → Go to 6

2007

\$ Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.
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B. What was the total e-commerce and EDI network sales and/or receipts in 2007 for the sales branches and offices reported in 3?

- This amount should equal the sum of 5B1 and 5B2 shown below.
- Also include this amount in item 4A.

1. Did the sales branches and offices reported in 3 have EDI network sales during 2007?
 (This includes EDI over the Internet)

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- 131 1 YES → What was the amount of these sales? →
 2 NO – Continue with 5B2

2. Did the sales branches and offices have Internet, extranet, electronic mail or other online system sales during 2007? (Exclude EDI).

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- 130 1 YES → What was the amount of these sales? →
 2 NO – Continue with 6

6 VALUE OF INVENTORIES

A. Did establishments covered by this report own inventories (regardless of where held) at the end of 2007?

- 320 1 YES – Continue with 6B
 2 NO – Go to item 9

B. Were any of the inventories subject to the Last-in, First-out (LIFO) valuation method?

- 385 1 YES – Continue with 6C
 2 NO – Complete 6C1 then Go to item 8

C. Report inventories of products covered by this report, owned as of December 31:

1. Total inventories before LIFO adjustment (if any)

\$ Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.
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2. LIFO reserve (if any)

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3. Total inventories after LIFO adjustment (Line 6C1 minus line 6C2)

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7 INVENTORY BY VALUATION METHOD

Report how much of the inventory reported in 6C1 was subject to each valuation method:

A. LIFO valuation method before adjustment

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B. Any other valuation method

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C. Total (Line 7A plus line 7B.) This total should equal 6C1.

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8 INVENTORY OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES

A. Of the inventories reported in 6C1, were any stored or en route outside the 50 states and the District of Columbia?

- 221 1 YES – What is the value of those inventories. (Do not report inventory held in Foreign Trade Zones or in bond warehouses in the U.S.)
 2 NO – Continue with item 8B

\$ Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.
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Month	Day	Year
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B. What is the date for the inventory reported in 6C1 above, IF OTHER than December 31?

9 TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES OF SALES BRANCHES AND OFFICES

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\$ Bil.	Mil.	Thou.	Dol.
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What were the total operating expenses during 2007 for only the sales branches and offices reported in 9?

INCLUDE

Expenses arising from the normal course of business.

EXCLUDE

- Bad debt
- Purchases of goods for resale or cost of goods sold
- Income taxes
- Taxes (sales, excise, and other) collected **directly** from customers and paid **directly** to a local, State, or Federal tax agency
- Interest expenses
- Impairment (reduction in value of long-lived assets due to reappraisal)
- Capitalized expenses (except payroll and fringe benefits)
- Transfers made within the company

10 Remarks – Please use this space to explain any significant year-to-year data changes, to clarify your responses, etc.

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11 CONTACT PERSON – Certifies data are accurate and can assist with any questions.

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Name of person completing this report – *Please print*

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Title

954 Telephone

Area code	Number	Extension

955 Fax

Area code	Number

957 E-mail address

THANK YOU

for completing your Annual Wholesale Trade Report.

We suggest you keep a copy for your records.

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