# **PRODUCERS' QUESTIONNAIRE**

## CERTAIN ACTIVATED CARBON FROM CHINA

#### Return completed questionnaire to:

## UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Office of Investigations, Room 615 500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20436

### So as to be received by the Commission by no later than March 22, 2006

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its antidumping investigation concerning certain activated carbon from China (inv. No. 731-TA-1103 (Preliminary)). 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)).

	firm
Address	
City	State Zip code
World W	ide Web address
•	irm produced certain activated carbon or chemically activated carbon (as defined in the instruction booklet) at nce January 1, 2003?
	(Sign the certification below and promptly return only this page of the questionnaire to the Commission)
<b>YES</b>	(Read the instruction booklet carefully, complete all parts of the questionnaire, sign the certification, and return the entire questionnaire to the Commission)

## 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 signing 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 investigation in any other import-injury investigations conducted by the Commission on the same or similar merchandise. (If you do not consent to such use, please note the certification accordingly.)

I acknowledge that information submitted in this questionnaire response and throughout this investigation 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 this investigation 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 and Title of Authorized Official	Date		
	( )	( )	
Signature of Authorized Official	Phone	Fax	

## PART I.--GENERAL QUESTIONS

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 30 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. Do you support or oppose the petition? Please explain.

Support	Oppose	Take no position
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As indicated at the top of the page, your response to this question will be treated as business proprietary. However, if the Commission's final determination in the investigation is affirmative and an antidumping duty order is issued, the Commission, pursuant to section 754 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Continued Dumping and Subsidy Offset Act of 2000, or "Byrd Amendment"), will provide a list of firms supporting the petition to the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection for possible distribution of any antidumping duties that may be collected. If you wish to waive business proprietary treatment of your response to this question in order to make your position with respect to the petition public and allow inclusion of your firm on that list, indicate "yes" below.

Yes

No, I do not wish my position on the petition to be made public. I acknowledge that a "No" answer may affect my ability to receive a distribution under this Act.

I-4. Is your firm owned, in whole or in part, by any other firm?

No Yes--List the following information.

Firm name

Address

Extent of ownership

### PART I.--GENERAL QUESTIONS--Continued

I-5.	Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, which are engaged in importing <b>certain activated carbon</b> from China into the United States or which are engaged in exporting <b>certain activated carbon</b> from China to the United States?				
	No	YesList tl	ne following information.		
	Firm name		Address		Affiliation
I-6.	•	certain activated	I firms, either domestic or forei l <b>carbon</b> ? ne following information.	 gn, which	are engaged in the
	<u>Firm name</u>		Address		Affiliation

## PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from **Jim McClure (202-205-3191)**. **Supply all data requested on a <u>calendar-year</u> basis.** 

II-1. Who should be contacted regarding the requested trade and related information?

Company contact:

Name and title

Phone No.

E-mail address

II-2. Has your firm experienced any plant openings, relocations, expansions, acquisitions, consolidations, closures, or prolonged shutdowns because of strikes or equipment failure; curtailment of production because of shortages of materials; or any other change in the character of your operations or organization relating to the production of certain activated carbon since January 1, 2003?

No Yes--Supply details as to the time, nature, and significance of such changes.

# PART II.--<u>TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION</u>--Continued

II-3.	Does your firm produce other products on the same equipment and machinery used in the production of <b>certain activated carbon</b> ?				
	No YesList	the following in	formation.		
	Basis for allocation of capacity	y data (e.g., sale	s):		
	Products produced on same eq	uipment and sha	are of total production	in 2005 (in percent):	
	Product	Percent	Product	Percent	
	Certain activated carbon				
II-4.	Please describe the constraint(	(s) that set the line	nit(s) on your producti	on capabilities.	
II-5.	Does your firm produce other to produce <b>certain activated</b> of No YesList			d related workers employed	
	Basis for allocation of employ	ment data (e.g.,	sales):		
	Products produced using the s	ame workers and	d share of total product	ion in 2005 (in percent):	
	Product	Percent	Product	Percent	
	Certain activated carbon				
II-6.	Since January 1, 2003, has you instruction booklet) regarding			nt (see definition in the	
	No YesNam	ne firm:			
II-7.	Does your firm produce certa	in activated car	<b>bon</b> in a foreign trade	zone (FTZ)?	
	No YesIden	tify FTZ(s):			
II-8.	Since January 1, 2003, has you	ur firm imported	certain activated car	bon?	
	$\square_{\text{No}}$ $\square_{\text{Yes}\underline{CON}}$	<u>MPLETE AND A</u> ESTIONNAIRE	<u>RETURN THE ENCL</u>	<u>OSED IMPORTERS'</u>	

# PART II.--<u>TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION</u>--Continued

II-9. Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, inventories, and employment related to the production of **CERTAIN ACTIVATED CARBON** in your U.S. establishment(s) during the specified periods. (See definitions in the instruction booklet.)

( <i>Quantity</i> in 1,000 pou	inds, <i>value</i> in \$1,000)			
li e m	Calendar years			
Item	2003	2004	2005	
AVERAGE PRODUCTION CAPACITY <sup>1</sup> (quantity)				
BEGINNING-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES (quantity)				
PRODUCTION (quantity)				
J.S. SHIPMENTS:	•	•	•	
Commercial shipments:				
Quantity of commercial shipments				
Value of commercial shipments				
Internal consumption:	•			
Quantity of internal consumption				
Value <sup>2</sup> of internal consumption				
Transfers to related firms:				
Quantity of transfers to related firms				
Value <sup>2</sup> of transfers to related firms				
EXPORT SHIPMENTS: <sup>3</sup>				
Quantity of export shipments				
Value of export shipments				
END-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES <sup>4</sup> (quantity)				
U.S. SHIPMENTS TO DISTRIBUTORS (quantity)				
J.S. SHIPMENTS TO END USERS (quantity)				
AVERAGE NUMBER OF PRWs				
HOURS WORKED BY PRWs (1,000 hours)				
WAGES PAID TO PRWs (value)				
<sup>1</sup> The production capacity (see definitions in instruction booklet) rep per year. Please describe the methodology used to calculate production additional pages as necessary).	orted is based on ope capacity, and explain	rating hours per we any changes in reported	eek, weeks capacity (use	
<sup>2</sup> Internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued valuing these transactions, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus 2005 below:				
<ul> <li><sup>3</sup> Identify your principal export markets:</li> <li><sup>4</sup> <u>Reconciliation of data</u>Please note that the <b>quantities</b> reported a plus production, less total shipments, equals end-of-period inventories.</li> <li>Yes NoPlease explain:</li> </ul>	bove should reconcile Do the data reported r	e as follows: beginning-of- econcile?	period inventories,	

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

II-10. If you reported transfers to related firms in question II-9, please indicate the nature of the relationship between your firm and the related firms (e.g., joint venture, wholly owned subsidiary), whether the transfers were priced at market value or by a non-market formula, whether your firm retained marketing rights to all transfers, and whether the related firms also processed inputs from sources other than your firm.

II-11. Report the share of your firm's U.S. shipments constituted by granular, powdered, and pelletized **certain** activated carbon in 2005.

Granular	percent	Powdered	percent	Pelletized	percent
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- II-12. Other than direct imports, has your firm otherwise purchased **certain activated carbon** since January 1, 2003? (See definitions in the instruction booklet.)

Yes--Report such purchases below for the specified periods.<sup>1</sup>

( <i>Quantity</i> in 1,000 pounds, <i>value</i> in	\$1,000)		
Item		Calendar years	
item	2003	2004	2005
PURCHASES FROM U.S. IMPORTERS <sup>2</sup> OF CERTAIN ACTIVATED CARBON FROM	-	-	-
China:			
Quantity			
Value			
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES:			
Quantity			
Value			
PURCHASES FROM DOMESTIC PRODUCERS: <sup>2</sup>			
Quantity			
Value			
PURCHASES FROM OTHER SOURCES: <sup>2</sup>			
Quantity			
Value			
<sup>1</sup> Please indicate your reasons for purchasing this product. If your reasons differ by s	ource, please elabora	te.	
<sup>2</sup> Please list the name of the firm(s) from which you purchased this product. If your su listed supplier.	uppliers differ by sourc	ce, please identify th	e source for each

# PART II.--<u>TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION</u>--Continued

II-13. Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, inventories, and employment related to the production of **CHEMICALLY ACTIVATED CARBON** in your U.S. establishment(s) during the specified periods. (See definitions in the instruction booklet.)

( <i>Quantity</i> in 1,000 po	unds, <i>valu</i> e in \$1,000)			
<b>1</b>	Calendar years			
Item	2003	2004	2005	
AVERAGE PRODUCTION CAPACITY <sup>1</sup> (quantity)				
BEGINNING-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES (quantity)				
PRODUCTION (quantity)				
J.S. SHIPMENTS:				
Commercial shipments:				
Quantity of commercial shipments				
Value of commercial shipments				
Internal consumption:		•	-	
Quantity of internal consumption				
Value <sup>2</sup> of internal consumption				
Transfers to related firms:				
Quantity of transfers to related firms				
Value <sup>2</sup> of transfers to related firms				
EXPORT SHIPMENTS: <sup>3</sup>		•	-	
Quantity of export shipments				
Value of export shipments				
END-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES <sup>4</sup> (quantity)				
J.S. SHIPMENTS TO DISTRIBUTORS (quantity)				
J.S. SHIPMENTS TO END USERS (quantity)				
AVERAGE NUMBER OF PRWs				
HOURS WORKED BY PRWs (1,000 hours)				
NAGES PAID TO PRWs (value)				
<sup>1</sup> The production capacity (see definitions in instruction booklet) reper year. Please describe the methodology used to calculate productio additional pages as necessary).				
<sup>2</sup> Internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be value valuing these transactions, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plu 2005 below:	ed at fair market value. us, etc.) and provide val	In the event that you use lue data using that basis	a different basis for for 2003, 2004, and	
<ul> <li><sup>3</sup> Identify your principal export markets:</li> <li><sup>4</sup> <u>Reconciliation of data</u>Please note that the <b>quantities</b> reported plus production, less total shipments, equals end-of-period inventories.</li> <li>Yes NoPlease explain:</li> </ul>	Do the data reported re	econcile?	-period inventories,	

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

- II-14. Since January 1, 2003, has your firm produced chemically activated carbon?
  - No Yes--Please describe the differences and similarities between **chemically activated carbon** and **certain activated carbon** with respect to the following factors: (a) **characteristics and uses**--describe the differences and similarities in the physical characteristics and end uses; (b) **interchangeability**--discuss the interchangeability in end use of the two products; (c) **manufacturing processes**-describe the two processes and include a discussion of the interchangeability of production inputs, machinery and equipment, and skilled labor; (d) **channels of distribution**--describe the specific end use/customer requirements and channels of distribution/market situation in which the products are sold; (e) **customer and producer perceptions**--describe any perceived differences in the two products (e.g., sales/marketing practices); and (f) **price**--provide a discussion and specific examples of prices for the two products. Use additional pages as necessary.
  - (a) Characteristics and uses:

(b) Interchangeability:

(c) Manufacturing processes:

(d) Channels of distribution:

(e) Customer and producer perceptions:

(f) Price:

## PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION

III-2.

Address questions on this part of the questionnaire to Charles Yost (202-205-3432 or charles.yost@usitc.gov).

III-1. Identify the individual who prepared or has knowledge of the requested financial information.

Company contact:		
	Name and title	
	Phone No.	Fax No.
	E-mail address	Company web address
Briefly describe yo	ur financial accounting system.	

- B.1. Describe the lowest level of operations (e.g., plant, division, company-wide) for which financial statements are prepared that include subject merchandise:
  - 2. Does your firm prepare profit/loss statements for the subject merchandise: Yes\_\_\_No\_\_\_
  - How often did your firm (or parent company) prepare financial statements (including annual reports, 10Ks)? Please check relevant items below.
     Audited \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ unaudited \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ annual reports \_\_\_\_\_\_ 10Ks \_\_\_\_\_\_ 10Qs \_\_\_\_\_\_
     Monthly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ semi-annually \_\_\_\_\_\_ annually \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  - Monthly \_\_\_\_\_ quarterly \_\_\_\_\_ semi-annually \_\_\_\_\_ annually \_\_\_\_\_

     4. Accounting basis: GAAP \_\_\_\_\_ cash \_\_\_\_\_ tax \_\_\_\_ other comprehensive (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_

Note: The Commission may request that your company submit copies of its financial statements, including internal profit-and-loss statements for the division or product group that includes **certain activated carbon**, as well as those statements and worksheets used to compile data for your firm's questionnaire response.

- III-3. Briefly describe your cost accounting system (e.g., standard cost, job order cost, etc.).
- III-4. Briefly describe your allocation basis, if any, for cost of goods sold, selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses, interest expense, and other income and expenses.

## PART III.--<u>FINANCIAL INFORMATION</u>--Continued

- III-5. If your firm receives inputs (raw materials, labor, energy, or any other services) used in the production of **certain activated carbon** from any related companies, describe the nature of the affiliation and the extent of control these related firms have on your firm and the extent of control your firm has on these related firms.
- III-6. When your firm's financial statements are prepared, are they consolidated with the financial statements of any of the related companies in question III-5 above? (In other words, are any profits or losses arising from intercompany transactions eliminated?)



Yes–Complete question III-7 below.

III-7. Identify the inputs, if any, your firm receives from related parties whose financial statements are consolidated with the financial statements of your firm, in the production of certain activated carbon. For each input item, provide the name of the related party and the basis for the transfer price (i.e., cost, cost plus, market).

<u>Input</u>	Related Party	Transfer Price Basis

III-8. <u>Other products</u>.--Please list any other products you produced in the facilities in which you produced **certain activated carbon**, and provide the share of net sales value accounted for by these other products in your most recent fiscal year:

Product(s)

Share of sales value

### PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION--Continued

III-9. <u>Operations on CERTAIN ACTIVATED CARBON</u>.--Report the revenue and related cost information requested below on the **certain activated carbon** operations of your U.S. establishment(s).<sup>1</sup> Do not report resales of products. Note that internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued at fair market value and purchases from related firms must be at cost. Provide data for your three most recently completed fiscal years in chronological order from left to right. If your firm was involved in tolling operations (either as the toller or as the tollee) please contact Charles Yost (202) 205-3432 before completing this section of the questionnaire.

	Fiscal years ended			
Item	2003	2004	2005	
Net sales quantities: <sup>2</sup>		ł		
Commercial sales				
Internal consumption				
Transfers to related firms				
Total net sales quantities				
Net sales values: <sup>2</sup>				
Commercial sales				
Internal consumption				
Transfers to related firms				
Total net sales values				
Cost of goods sold (including internal consumption a	nd transfers to related firm	ns):		
Raw materials				
Direct labor				
Energy <sup>3</sup>				
Other factory costs				
Total cost of goods sold				
Gross profit or (loss)				
Selling, general, and administrative (SG&A) expenses:				
Selling expenses				
General and administrative expenses				
Total SG&A expenses				
Operating income or (loss)				
Other income and expenses:				
Interest expense				
All other expense items				
All other income items				
All other income or expenses, net				
Net income or (loss) before income taxes				
Depreciation/amortization included above				

<sup>2</sup> Less discounts, returns, allowances, and prepaid freight. The quantities and values should approximate the corresponding shipment quantities and values reported in Part II of this questionnaire.

<sup>3</sup> This line item should include only manufacturing-related energy costs.

III-10. Operations on CHEMICALLY ACTIVATED CARBON.--Report the revenue and related cost information requested below on the chemically activated carbon operations of your U.S. establishment(s).<sup>1</sup> Do not report resales of products. Note that internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued at fair market value and purchases from related firms must be at cost. Provide data for your three most recently completed fiscal years in chronological order from left to right. If your firm was involved in tolling operations (either as the toller or as the tollee) please contact Charles Yost (202) 205-3432 before completing this section of the questionnaire.

	Fiscal years ended		
Item	2003	2004	2005
Net sales quantities: <sup>2</sup>	·	-	
Commercial sales			
Internal consumption			
Transfers to related firms			
Total net sales quantities			
Net sales values: <sup>2</sup>			
Commercial sales			
Internal consumption			
Transfers to related firms			
Total net sales values			
Cost of goods sold (including internal consumption	and transfers to related firm	ns):	
Raw materials			
Direct labor			
Energy <sup>3</sup>			
Other factory costs			
Total cost of goods sold			
Gross profit or (loss)			
Selling, general, and administrative (SG&A) expense	es:	-	
Selling expenses			
General and administrative expenses			
Total SG&A expenses			
Operating income or (loss)			
Other income and expenses:	·	-	
Interest expense			
All other expense items			
All other income items			
All other income or expenses, net			
Net income or (loss) before income taxes			
Depreciation/amortization included above			

<sup>2</sup> Less discounts, returns, allowances, and prepaid freight. The quantities and values should apprishipment quantities and values reported in Part II of this questionnaire.

<sup>3</sup> This line item should include only manufacturing-related energy costs.

### PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION--Continued

III-11. CERTAIN ACTIVATED CARBON: Asset values.--Report the total assets associated with the production, warehousing, and sale of certain activated carbon. If your firm does not maintain some or all of the specific asset data in the normal course of business, please estimate it based upon some rational method (such as production, sales, or costs) that is consistent with your cost allocations in the previous question. If applicable, your finished goods inventory value should reconcile with the inventory quantity data reported in Part II. Provide data as of the end of your three most recently completed fiscal years in chronological order from left to right.

(	<i>Value</i> in \$1,000)		
	Fiscal years ended		
Item	2003	2005	
Value of assets associated with the production, warehousing, and sale of CERTAIN ACTIVATED CARBON:			
1. Current assets:			
A. Cash and equivalents			
B. Accounts receivable, net			
C. Inventories			
D. All other current assets			
E. Total current assets (lines 1.A through 1.D)			
2. Non-current assets			
<ul> <li>A. Property, plant, and equipment (PPE) at cost</li> </ul>			
B. Less: Accumulated depreciation			
C. Equals: Book value of PPE			
D. All other non-current assets			
Total non-current assets (lines 2.C and 2.D)			
<ol> <li>Total assets (total current and non-current)</li> </ol>			
C. Equals: Book value of property, plant, and equipment			
5. Goodwill			
6. Other (describe)			
7. Other (describe)			
8. Total assets (lines 1.I., 2, 3, 4.C., 5, 6, and 7)			

### PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION--Continued

III-12. <u>CHEMICALLY ACTIVATED CARBON: Asset values</u>.--Report the total assets associated with the production, warehousing, and sale of chemically activated carbon. If your firm does not maintain some or all of the specific asset data in the normal course of business, please estimate it based upon some rational method (such as production, sales, or costs) that is consistent with your cost allocations in the previous question. If applicable, your finished goods inventory value should reconcile with the inventory quantity data reported in Part II. Provide data as of the end of your three most recently completed fiscal years in chronological order from left to right.

( <i>Valu</i> e in \$1,000)				
	Fiscal years ended			
Item	2003	2004	2005	
Value of assets associated with the production, warehousing, and sale of CHEMICALLY ACTIVATED CARBON:				
1. Current assets:				
A. Cash and equivalents				
B. Accounts receivable, net				
C. Inventories				
D. All other current assets				
E. Total current assets (lines 1.A through 1.D)				
2. Non-current assets				
A. Property, plant, and equipment (PPE) at cost				
B. Less: Accumulated depreciation				
C. Equals: Book value of PPE				
D. All other non-current assets		·	• •	
Total non-current assets (lines 2.C and 2.D)				
<ol> <li>Total assets (total current and non-current)</li> </ol>				
C. Equals: Book value of property, plant, and equipment				
5. Goodwill				
6. Other (describe)				
7. Other (describe)				
8. Total assets (lines 1.I., 2, 3, 4.C., 5, 6, and 7)				

### PART III.--<u>FINANCIAL INFORMATION</u>--Continued

III-13. <u>Certain activated carbon</u>: Capital expenditures and research and development <u>expenditures</u>.--Report your firm's capital expenditures and research and development expenditures on certain activated carbon. Provide data for your three most recently completed fiscal years in chronological order from left to right.

( <i>Value</i> in \$1,000)				
	Fiscal years ended			
Item	2003 2004 2005		2005	
Capital expenditures				
Research and development expenditures				

III-14 <u>Chemically activated carbon</u>: Capital expenditures and research and development <u>expenditures</u>.--Report your firm's capital expenditures and research and development expenditures on chemically activated carbon. Provide data for your three most recently completed fiscal years in chronological order from left to right.

( <i>Value</i> in \$1,000)			
	Fiscal years ended		
ltem 2003 2004 20		2005	
Capital expenditures			
Research and development expenditures			

III-15. Since January 1, 2003 has your firm experienced any actual negative effects on its return on investment or its growth, investment, ability to raise capital, existing development and production efforts (including efforts to develop a derivative or more advanced version of the product), or the scale of capital investments as a result of imports of **certain activated carbon** from China?

No	YesMy firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows	ows:
	Cancellation, postponement, or rejection of expansion projects	
	Denial or rejection of investment proposal	
	Reduction in the size of capital investments	
	Rejection of bank loans	
	Lowering of credit rating	
	Problem related to the issue of stocks or bonds	
	Other (specify)	

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III-16. Does your firm anticipate any negative impact of imports of **certain activated carbon** from China?

No	YesMy firm anticipates negative effects as follows:

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### PART IV.--PRICING AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Steve Trost (202-205-3220).

IV-1. Who should be contacted regarding the requested pricing and related information?

Company contact:

Name and title

Phone No.

E-mail address

## Section IV-A.--<u>PRICE DATA</u>

This section requests quarterly price and quantity data concerning your firm's U.S. commercial shipments to unrelated U.S. customers of the following products during 2003-2005:

<u>Product 1</u>.–Granular certain activated carbon that is steam activated from coal (bituminous or lignite), unwashed, no more than 15 percent greater than 8 mesh and no more than 4 percent under 30 mesh, iodine no. 900 mg/g min, moisture 2% max

<u>Product 2</u>.--Granular certain activated carbon that is steam activated from coal (bituminous or lignite), unwashed, no more than 5 percent greater than 12 mesh and no more than 4 percent under 40 mesh, iodine no. 1000 mg/g min, moisture 2% max

<u>Product 3</u>.–Powder certain activated carbon that is steam activated from coal (bituminous or lignite), unwashed, particle size 90% min, 325 mesh, iodine no. 700 mg/g min, moisture 5% max

Please note that total dollar values should be f.o.b., U.S. point of shipment and should not include U.S.-inland transportation costs. Total dollar values should reflect the <u>FINAL NET</u> amount paid to you (i.e., should be net of all deductions for discounts or rebates). See instruction booklet.

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### PART IV.--PRICING AND RELATED INFORMATION--Continued

#### Section IV-A.--<u>PRICE DATA</u>--Continued

**COPY THIS PAGE AS NECESSARY.** Complete a separate page for each of the specified products<sup>1</sup> produced and sold by your firm.

Product 1 Product 2 Product 3 ( <i>Quantity</i> in pounds, <i>value</i> in dollars)			
2003:			
January-March			
April-June			
July-September			
October-December			
2004:			
January-March			
April-June			
July-September			
October-December			
2005:			
January-March			
April-June			
July-September			
October-December			
<sup>1</sup> If your product does not exactly meet the product product, provide a description of your product:	t specifications but is competi	itive with the specified	

<sup>2</sup> Net values (i.e., gross sales values less all discounts, allowances, rebates, prepaid freight, and the value of returned goods), f.o.b. your U.S. point of shipment.

### Section IV-B.--PRICE-RELATED QUESTIONS

- IV-B-1. Please describe how your firm determines the prices that it charges for sales of certain activated carbon (transaction by transaction negotiation, contracts for multiple shipments, set price lists, etc.). If your firm issues price lists, please include a copy of a recent price list with your submission. If your price list is large, please submit sample pages.
- IV-B-2. Please describe your firm's discount policy (quantity discounts, annual total volume discounts, etc.).
- IV-B-3. What are your firm's typical sales terms for its U.S.-produced **certain activated carbon** (e.g., 2/10 net 30 days)? \_\_\_\_\_ On what basis are your prices of domestic **certain activated carbon** usually quoted (e.g., f.o.b. warehouse, or delivered)? \_\_\_\_\_
- IV-B-4. Approximately what share of your firm's sales of its U.S.-produced certain activated carbon in 2005 were on a (1) long-term contract basis (multiple deliveries for more than 12 months), (2) short-term contract basis (multiple deliveries up to 12 months), and (3) spot sales basis (for a single delivery)?

Type of sale	Share of sales (percent)
Long-term contracts	
Short-term contracts	
Spot sales	

- IV-B-5. If you sell on a long-term contract basis, please answer the following questions with respect to provisions of a typical long-term contract.
  - (a) What is the average duration of a contract?
  - (b) Can prices be renegotiated during the contract period?
  - (c) Does the contract fix quantity, price, or both?
  - (d) Does the contract have a meet or release provision?

#### Section IV-B.--PRICE-RELATED QUESTIONS

- IV-B-6. If you sell on a short-term contract basis, please answer the following questions with respect to provisions of a typical short-term contract.
  - (a) What is the average duration of a contract?
  - (b) Can prices be renegotiated during the contract period?
  - (c) Does the contract fix quantity, price, or both?
  - (d) Does the contract have a meet or release provision?
- IV-B-7. What is the average lead time between a customer's order and the date of delivery for your firm's sales of your U.S.-produced **certain activated carbon**?

Source	Share of 2005 sales	Lead time
From inventory		
Produced to order		
Total	100%	

IV-B-8. (a) What is the approximate percentage of the total delivered cost of **certain activated carbon** that is accounted for by U.S. inland transportation costs? \_\_\_\_\_ percent.

(b) Who generally arranges the transportation to your customers' locations? Your firm \_\_\_\_\_ or purchaser \_\_\_\_\_ (check one).

(c) What proportion of your sales occur within 100 miles of your storage or production facility? \_\_\_\_\_ percent. 101 to 1,000 miles? \_\_\_\_\_ percent. Over 1,000 miles? \_\_\_\_\_ percent.

IV-B-9. What is the geographic market area in the United States served by your firm's **certain activated carbon**?

Northeast	Mid-Atlantic	Midwest	Southeast
Southwest	Rocky M	Iountains West	Coast Invest
National	Other (de	escribe)	

## Section IV-B.--<u>PRICE-RELATED QUESTIONS</u>--Continued

IV-B-10.	Describe the end uses of the <b>certain activated carbon</b> that you manufacture. For each end- use product, what percentage of the total cost is accounted for by <b>certain activated carbon</b> ?				
	End use			Share of total of activated carb	cost accounted for by <b>certain</b> <b>oon</b> (percent)
			_		
IV-B-11.	(a) Please list in activated carb	•	tance any produc	ets that may be s	ubstituted for <b>certain</b>
	(1)		(2)		(3)
	(b) For each po which they are		e product, please	give examples o	f applications and end uses for
	(c) Have chang carbon?	es in the prices	of these products	affected the pri-	ce for <b>certain activated</b>
	No	activated carl time lag for ea	oon? Does this e	ffect have a time duct? Does this	ces affect the price for <b>certain</b> e lag? If so, how long is the vary by type of <b>certain</b>
IV-B-12.		ted carbon chan			Jnited States if known) for at principal factors affect
	Increased			1	Decreased

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### PART IV.--PRICING AND RELATED INFORMATION--Continued

### Section IV-B.--PRICE-RELATED QUESTIONS--Continued

IV-B-13. Have there been any significant changes in the product range or marketing of **certain activated carbon** since January 1, 2003?

No

Yes--Please describe.

IV-B-14. (a) In your sales of the pricing products listed in section IV-A, do customers routinely specify a maximum ash content?



Yes–Please describe.

(b) Approximately what percentage of sales of Product 1 are to customers that explicitly specify a maximum ash content of eight percent?

(c) Approximately what percentage of sales of Product 2 are to customers that explicitly specify a maximum ash content of nine percent?

If you wish, you can supplement section IV-A with additional pricing data for low ash content variations of product 1 (with less than 8% ash) and product 2 (with less than 9% ash) as defined above. If you do, please indicate the exact specifications of the product. These data should be provided **in addition to, not instead of** the data requested (which are for products as defined, regardless of ash content).

IV-B-15. Does your firm sell certain activated carbon over the internet?



Yes–Please describe, noting the estimated percentage of your firm's total sales of **certain activated carbon** in 2005 accounted for by internet sales.

## Section IV-B.--PRICE-RELATED QUESTIONS--Continued

IV-B-16. Is **certain activated carbon** produced in the United States and in other countries interchangeable (i.e., can they physically be used in the same applications)? Please indicate below, using "A" to indicate that the products from a specified country-pair are *always* interchangeable, "F" to indicate that the products are *frequently* interchangeable, "S" to indicate that the products are *sometimes* interchangeable, "N" to indicate that the products are *never* interchangeable, and "0" to indicate *no familiarity* with products from a specified country-pair.<sup>1</sup>

Country-pair	United States	China	Other countries
United States			
China			

<sup>1</sup> For any country-pair producing **certain activated carbon** which is *sometimes or never* interchangeable, please explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use:

# Section IV-B.--<u>PRICE-RELATED QUESTIONS</u>--Continued

IV-B-17. Are differences other than price (i.e., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, etc.) between **certain activated carbon** produced in the United States and in other countries a significant factor in your firm's sales of the products? Please indicate below, using "A" to indicate that such differences are *always* significant, "F" to indicate that such differences are *frequently* significant, "S" to indicate that such differences are *sometimes* significant, "N" to indicate that such differences are *never* significant, and "0" to indicate *no familiarity* with products from a specified country-pair.<sup>1</sup>

Country-pair	United States	China	Other countries
United States			
China			

<sup>1</sup> For any country-pair for which factors other than price *always or frequently* are a significant factor in your firm's sales of **certain activated carbon**, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:

## Section IV-C.--CUSTOMER IDENTIFICATION

Please identify below the names and addresses of your firm's 10 largest customers for **certain activated carbon or chemically activated carbon** during 2003-2005. Please also provide the name and telephone number of a contact person and the share of the quantity of your firm's total shipments of **certain activated carbon or chemically activated carbon** that each of these customers accounted for in 2005.

No.	Customer's name	Street address ( <u>not</u> P.O. box), city, state, and zip code	Contact person	Area code and telephone number	Share of 2005 sales (%)
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

## Section IV-D.--COMPETITION FROM IMPORTS--LOST REVENUES

**THIS SECTION IS TO BE COMPLETED ONLY BY NON-PETITIONERS**. (Note: petitioners may provide allegations involving quotes made AFTER the filing of the petition.)

**Since January 1, 2003:** To avoid losing sales to competitors selling **certain activated carbon** from China, did your firm:

Reduce prices	Yes	No
Roll back announced price increases	Yes	No

If yes, please furnish as much of the following information as possible for each affected transaction. Document such allegations of lost revenues whenever possible (documentation could include copies of invoices, sales reports, or letters from customers). **Please note that the Commission may contact the firms named to verify the allegations reported**.

Customer name, contact person, phone and fax numbers Specific product(s) involved Date of your initial price quotation Quantity involved Your initial *rejected* price quotation (total delivered value) Your *accepted* price quotation (total delivered value) The country of origin of the competing imported product The competing price quotation of the imported product (total delivered value)

Customer name, contact person, phone and fax numbers	Product	Date of quote	Quantity ( <i>pounds</i> )	Accepted U.S. price (total value dollars)	Country	Competing import price (total value <i>dollars</i> )

## Section IV-E.--COMPETITION FROM IMPORTS--LOST SALES

**THIS SECTION IS TO BE COMPLETED ONLY BY NON-PETITIONERS**. (Note: petitioners <u>may</u> provide allegations involving quotes made AFTER the filing of the petition.)

**Since January 1, 2003**: Did your firm lose sales of **certain activated carbon** to imports of these products from China?

 $\Box_{\text{Yes}}$   $\Box_{\text{No}}$ 

If yes, please furnish as much of the following information as possible for each affected transaction. Document such allegations of lost sales whenever possible (documentation could include copies of invoices, sales reports, or letters from customers). **Please note that the Commission may contact the firms named to verify the allegations reported**.

Customer name, contact person, phone and fax numbers Specific product(s) involved Date of your price quotation Quantity involved Your rejected price quotation (total delivered value) The country of origin of the competing imported product The accepted price quotation of the imported product (total delivered value)

Customer name, contact person, phone and fax numbers	Product	Date of quote	Quantity ( <i>pounds</i> )	Rejected U.S. price (total value <i>dollars</i> )	Country of origin	Accepted import price (total value <i>dollars</i> )