U.S. PURCHASERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

GLYCINE FROM INDIA, JAPAN, AND KOREA

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UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

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

So as to be received by the Commission by no later than October 17, 2007

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its antidumping investigation concerning glycine from India, Japan, and Korea (inv. No. 731-TA-1111-1113 (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)).

Name of firm

City		State	Zin Co	de	
	Web address		Zip co		-
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□NO	(Sign the certification	rtification below and promptly return only this page of the questionnaire to the Commission)			nmission)
☐ 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)				ntire
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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 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.

a.	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		
b.		aments you may have for improving ons. Please attach such comments to				
•	the instruction booklet for re	Provide the name and address of establishment(s) covered by this questionnaire (see pages 3-4 of the instruction booklet for reporting guidelines). If your firm is publicly traded, please specify the stock exchange and trading symbol.				
•	Is your firm owned, in whole	or in part, by any other firm?				
	□ No □ YesLis	t the following information				
	<u>Firm name</u>	<u>Address</u>		Extent of ownership		

PART I.--GENERAL INFORMATION--Continued

importing gl	ycine from India, J	d firms, either domestic or foreig apan, or Korea into the United St apan, or Korea to the United State	ates or which are engaged in
☐ No	YesList th	ne following information	
Firm name		Address	Affiliation
			_
		-	_
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Does your fi		d firms, either domestic or foreig	n, which are engaged in the
☐ No	YesList th	ne following information	
Firm name		Address	<u>Affiliation</u>
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PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

II-1.

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Russell Duncan (202-708-4727; russell.duncan@usitc.gov).

Who should be contacted regarding the requested trade and related information?

Company contact:					
Name	e and title				
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Phone	e number	E-n	nail address		
II-2. Report, as indicated below, yo broker) of glycine. Report ba				ough a sales a	gent or
(Quanti	<i>ty</i> in 1,000 pou	nds, <i>value</i> ir	1,000)		
		Calendar yea	ır	Januar	y-June
ltem	2004	2005	2006	2006	2007
Purchases of glycine produced in the <u>United States</u> :					
Quantity					
Value					
Purchases of glycine produced in <i>India</i> :					
Quantity					
Value					
Purchases of glycine produced in Japan:					
Quantity					
Value					
Purchases of glcyine produced in <i>Korea</i> :	•				
Quantity					
Value					
Purchases of glycine produced in any other country:1					
Quantity					
Value					
¹ Please identify these countries: _	•				

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

II-3. Using your response to question II-2 as a point of reference, please indicate the trend of your purchases of glycine from each of the sources identified (i.e. whether they increased, decreased, or remained constant) and provide an explanation for that trend.

Source	Trend	Explanation for trend
Purchases of glycine produced in		
The United States	Decreased	
	☐ Increased	
	☐ Remained constant	
India	Decreased	
	☐ Increased	
	☐ Remained constant	
Korea	Decreased	
	☐ Increased	
	Remained constant	
Japan	Decreased	
	☐ Increased	
	☐ Remained constant	
All other countries	Decreased	
	☐ Increased	
	☐ Remained constant	
your firm has purchase	ed glycine from only one s	ource, please explain the reasons fo

PART III.--MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Amelie Preece (202-205-3250; amelia.preece@usitc.gov).

III-1.	Who should be contact and purchasing practic	ted regarding the requested information related to market characteristics ces?				
	Company contact:	Name and title				
		Phone number E-mail address				
III-2.	Which of the followin noting the specific end	g best describes your firm as a purchaser of glycine (check all that apply, l uses if known)?				
	Deodorant/antipers	spirant (actives) producer (
	Other cosmetic pro	oducer (
	Animal feed producer (
	Pet food producer (
	Produce pharmaceutical injection products (
	Produce pharmace	utical <u>non-</u> injection products (
	Produce food/nutri	tional supplement (
	Produce other products for human consumption (
	Use in metallurgical, chemical, or sponge production (
	Fertilizer producer	(
	DISTRIBUTOR (
	Other (

you purchase		omers with the manufacturers or importers from v
products for v	which your firm purchases glage of the total cost of each in	in order of quantity of glycine consumed, the top ycine as a component part or input. Please indicandividual product your firm produces that is acco
F	Product you produce	Percent of the total cost of this product accounted for by glycine
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	m is an end user of glycine, he glycine changed since Janua	nas the demand for your firm's final products ary 1, 2004?
Increase	☐ No Change	Decrease
Other (ple	ase explain)	
о шег (рге		

(a) Has the deman	nd for glycine in t	he United States c	hanged since J	January 1,	2004?
☐ Increase	☐ No Cha	ange \Box I	Decrease		
Other (please	explain)				
(b) If demand for	r glycine has chan	ged, why has it ch	anged?		
		ny products that m			
					s for which they are he price for glycine.
					anges in the prices
Subst	itute	End us	se .		substitute affected rice for glycine?
1.				□ No	Yes
2.				□ No	Yes
3.				□ No	Yes
4.				☐ No	Yes
5.				☐ No	Yes
6.				☐ No	Yes
•		nat you know, do y ducer of the glycir		s make pu	rchasing decisions
Your firm:	Always	Usually	Somet	imes	Never
Your customers:	Always	Usually	Somet	imes	Never
	imes," please disc rmation is importa	•	or your custo	mers dete	rmine the producer
Your firm:					
Your customers:					

III-9.			•	our customers make pu e glycine you purchase	C
	Your firm:	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never
	Your customers:	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never
	If at least "sometime and why this information of the state of the sta			or your customers dete	ermine the producer
	Your firm:				
	Your customers: _				
III-10.	Have you made sign last three years?	nificant changes	in your purchasin	g patterns (e.g., frequen	ncy, order size) in the
	□ No □	YesPlease des	cribe.		
III-12.	Have you changed s	YesPlease list	the suppliers, ind	icate whether each firm the reasons for the cha	
	Supplier		Action	Explanation	for action
		Added			
		Added	<u>-</u>		
		Adde	<u>-</u>		
		Adde	<u>-</u>		

III-13.	•	a aware of any new suppliers, either foreign or domestic, that have entered the market in 3 years?
	☐ No	YesPlease identify the firms.
III-14.	Do you	require some or all of your suppliers to be USP certified for the glycine you purchase?
	☐ No	☐ YesPlease answer the following questions
	a)	What percentage of your firms purchases of glycine must qualify as USP certified?
		percent in 2006.
	b)	Please provide a general description of the qualification process and whether it differs by source of supply.
	c)	How long does it take to qualify a firm if it is already USP certified?days
	d)	How long does it take for a firm to receive USP certification?days
III-15.	•	do not require USP certification for product you purchase, do you require any other cation for the producers of glycine you purchase?
	☐ No	YesPlease answer the following questions
	a)	What percentage of your firms purchases of glycine must satisfy this other qualification?
		percent in 2006.
	b)	Please provide a general description of this other (<i>i.e.</i> , non-USP) qualification process and whether it differs by source of supply.
	c)	How long does it take to qualify a firm if it is already USP certified?days

III-16.	Do you require your suppliers to become certified or pre-qualified in any manner <u>in addition to</u> the USP certification with respect to the quality, purity, lack of specific contaminants, or other performance characteristic of the glycine they sell to your firm?				
	☐ No	YesPlease answer the following questions			
	a)	What percentage of your firms purchases of glycine must satisfy these additional certifications or qualifications?			
		percent in 2006.			
	b)	Please provide a general description of this additional (<i>i.e.</i> , more rigorous) certification or qualification, and whether it differs by source of supply.			
	c)	How long does it take to qualify for these additional certification(s) or qualification(s) if a firm is already USP certified?days			
III-17.		anuary 1, 2004, have any domestic or foreign producers failed in their attempts to certify ify their glycine with your firm or have any producers lost their approved status?			
	☐ No	YesPlease identify these firms, the countries where they are located, and the reasons why they failed the certification/qualification process.			

III-18.	Since January 1, 2004, have any suppliers, domestic, foreign producers, or importers broken a contract to supply your firm with glycine?
	No YesPlease identify these firms, the countries where they are located, when, manner in which, and reason they broke the contract.
	What was the impact of this on your firm?
III-19.	Since January 1, 2004, have any suppliers, domestic or foreign, put your firm on allocation for or delayed delivery of glycine?
	☐ No ☐ YesPlease identify these firms, the countries where they are located, when, manner in which, and reason they used allocations or delayed delivery.
	What was the impact of this on your firm?
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PART III.--MARKET CHARACTERISTICS AND PURCHASING PRACTICES--Continued

III-20. For the factors listed below, please rate each in terms of its importance in your purchase decision for glycine.

	VERY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT
Availability			
Delivery terms			
Delivery time			
Discounts offered			
Extension of credit			
Lowest price			
Minimum qty requirements			
Packaging			
Product consistency			
Quality but not USP standard			
Quality meets USP standard			
Quality exceeds USP standard			
Producer keeps a master drug list			
Product range			
Able to source multiple products from supplier			
Reliability of supply			
Technical support/service			
U.S. transportation costs			
Other (specify):			
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III-21.	in deciding from wavailability, extens	hom to purchase glycir ion of credit, prearrang	three major factors generate for any one order (exampled contracts, price, quality adduct line, traditional supplications)	exceeding specifications or
	(i)			
	(ii)			
	(iii)			
	Other factor	ors or comments: ()
III-22.	What characteristic	es does your firm consid	der when determining the qu	uality of glycine?
III-23.	How often does yo	ur firm purchase the gl	ycine that is offered at the lo	owest price?
	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never
III-24.	January 2004-June change, either upw have a significant i priced supplier. For which a price chan	2007. A price leader is ard or downward, that is mpact on prices. A prior those firms identified ge was communicated,	isidered price leaders in the s defined as (1) one or more is followed by other firms, one leader does not necessarily as a price leader, please sputhether the price change which region or a specific product.	e firms that initiate a price or (2) one or more firms that ly have to be the lowest ecify the time period in as upward or downward,
III-25.	Please describe how	w the above firm(s) exh	nibited price leadership.	

PART IV.--PRODUCT COMPARISONS

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Amelie Preece (202-205-3250; amelia.preece@usitc.gov).

	Who should be contacted regarding the requested information relating to product comparisons?									
	Company contac	et: Name ar	nd title							
		() Phone no	umber	E-mail add	lress					
7-2.	Please indicate the pricing knowled		rigin for glycine	for which your	firm has actual	marketing/				
	United States	s India	Japan	n Kore	a					
	Other countri	ies (Please specif	gy:							
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$PART\ IV-\underline{PRODUCT\ COMPARISONS}.-Continued$

Do you or your customers ever specifically order glycine from one country in particular over other possible sources of supply?								
No YesPlease identify all relevant countries (including the United States and both subject and nonsubject foreign countries) from which you or your customers prefer to order, and indicate why glycine from these countries is preferred over product from other countries (please note the specific product in your response).								
Are certain grades/types of glycine available from only a single source (domestic or foreign, including both subject and nonsubject countries)?								
☐ No ☐ YesPlease identify the source and the grade/type/style.								
If you purchased glycine from one source although a comparable product was available from another source at a lower price, please explain your reasons for doing so (please specify by country, including the United States and both subject and nonsubject foreign countries). Possibilities might include transaction characteristics such as length of time to fill orders, minimum order size, reliability of supply, etc.								

PART IV--PRODUCT COMPARISONS--Continued

IV-7. For the factors listed below, please rate how glycine produced in each country you identified in your response to the first question in Part IV compares with glycine produced in each of the other countries you identified (including the United States and both subject and nonsubject foreign countries). Please check in each applicable product comparison indicating whether product is superior, comparable, or inferior from the first source compared to the second source.

	product from United States		product from			product from			product from			product from			
		compared to product from		compared to product from		compared to product from		compared to product from			compared to product from				
Quality	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability															
Delivery terms															
Delivery time															
Discounts offered															
Extension of credit															
Lowest price															
Minimum qty requirements															
Packaging															
Product consistency															
Quality less than USP standard															
Quality meets USP standard															
Quality greater than USP standard															
Product range															
Able to source multiple products from supplier															
Reliability of supply															
Technical support/service .															
U.S. transportation costs															
Other															
Other				I_{\Box}						I_{\Box}			I_{\Box}		

PART IV--PRODUCT COMPARISONS--Continued

IV-7. *Continued*

	product from		product from			product from			product from			product from			
		npare duct f					compared to product from			compared to product from					
Quality	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior	Superior	Comparable	Inferior
Availability															
Delivery terms															
Delivery time															
Discounts offered															
Extension of credit															
Lowest price															
Minimum qty requirements															
Packaging															
Product consistency															
Quality less than USP standard															
Quality meets USP standard															
Quality greater than USP standard															
Product range															
Able to source multiple products from supplier															
Reliability of supply															
Technical support/service .															
U.S. transportation costs															
Other															
Other			П		П	П	П	П	П		П		П		

PART IV--PRODUCT COMPARISONS--Continued

IV-8.	(a)	How often does domestically produced glycine meet minimum quality specifications for your uses or your customers' uses?							
		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never				
	(b)	How often does impouses or your customer		et minimum quality speci	fications for your				
		<u>India</u>							
		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never				
		<u>Japan</u>							
		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never				
		<u>Korea</u>							
		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never				
	(c)	How often does imported nonsubject glycine meet minimum quality specifications for your uses or your customers' uses?							
		from: <u>China</u>							
		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never				
		from:							
		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never				
		from:							
		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never				
		from:							
		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never				

PART IV--PRODUCT COMPARISONS--Continued

IV-9. Please provide the names and addresses of your firm's ten (10) largest suppliers of glycine purchased during January 2004 to June 2007. Please also provide the name, telephone number, and e-mail address of a contact person and the share of the quantity of your firm's total purchases of glycine that each of these suppliers accounted for in the January 2004 to June 2007 period.

No.	Supplier's Name	Street address (not P.O. box), city, state, and zip code	Contact Person and e-mail address	Area code and telephone number	Share of Jan 2004 to June 2007 sales(%)
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					