PRODUCERS' QUESTIONNAIRE POLYCHLOROPRENE RUBBER FROM JAPAN

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 3, 2005

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its antidumping review investigation concerning polychloroprene rubber (PCR) from Japan (inv. No. AA1921-129 (Second Review)). 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 o	I IIrm		
Address	S		
City		State	Zip code
World V	Wide Web address		
Has your	firm produced PCR (as defined in the	instruction booklet) at any time since	e January 1, 1999?
\square_{NO}	(Sign the certification below and pr	romptly return only this page of the c	questionnaire to the Commission)
YES	(Read the instruction booklet carefureturn the entire questionnaire to the	ully, complete all parts of the questic e Commission)	onnaire, sign the certification, and
		CERTIFICATION	
	information herein supplied in respon rstand that the information submitted		and correct to the best of my knowledge and by the Commission.
			l contract personnel, to use the information
			nvestigations or reviews conducted by the ase note the certification accordingly.)
			his review may be used by the Commission,
ecords of this re	eview or related proceedings for which	n this information is submitted, or in	ployees, for developing or maintaining the internal audits and investigations relating
o the programs on-disclosure d	1 0	suant to 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3. I und	erstand that all contract personnel will sign
Name and Titl	e of Authorized Official	Date	
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ignature of A	uthorized 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 40 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.

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	ity of s	ted in any corpecific questi								
the inst	ruction	me and addre booklet for r ange and trad	eport	ting guide						e pages 3-4 of ase specify
from Ja		rt or oppose c Please explain Oppose	١.	nuation of Take			inding	currently	y in plac	e for PCR
Is your	firm o	wned, in who	le or	in part, by	any othe	er firm?				
\square No		YesLi	ist the	e followin	ng informa	ation.				
Firm na	<u>ıme</u>			Address					xtent of wnership	<u>)</u>

PART I.--GENERAL QUESTIONS--Continued

∐No ∐Yes	sList the following information.	
Firm name	Address	Affiliation
importing PCR from co	y related firms, either domestic or untries other than Japan into the Uuntries other than Japan to the Unit	nited States or which are engag
□No □Yes	sList the following information.	
Country/firm name	Address	<u>Affiliation</u>
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	_	
Does your firm have an production of PCR?	y related firms, either domestic or	foreign, which are engaged in t
	sList the following information.	
∐No ∐Yes		
∐No ∐Yes	Address	Affiliation
	Address	<u>Affiliation</u>
Firm name In Parts II and IV of thi plans. Does your comp	Address s questionnaire we request a copy of any or any related firm have a busing analyze expected future market c	of your company's most recent ness plan or any internal docur
Firm name In Parts II and IV of thi plans. Does your comp that describe, discuss, o	s questionnaire we request a copy of any or any related firm have a busi	of your company's most recent ness plan or any internal docur onditions for PCR?

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from John Kitzmiller (202-205-3387). **Supply all data requested on a <u>calendar-year</u> basis.**

	ntacted regarding the requested trade and related information?
Company contact	Name and title
	Phone No. E-mail address
consolidations, cl curtailment of pro of your operation	erienced any plant openings, relocations, expansions, acquisitions, osures, or prolonged shutdowns because of strikes or equipment failure; duction because of shortages of materials; or any other change in the character or organization relating to the production of PCR since December 6, 1973 (the antidumping finding under review became effective)?
No	YesSupply details as to the time, nature, and significance of such changes.
•	ticipate any changes in the character of your operations or organization (as ing to the production of PCR in the future?
□ No □	YesSupply details as to the time, nature, and significance of such changes and provide underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue. Include in your response a specific projection of your firm's capacity to produce PCR (in 1,000 pounds) for 2005 and 2006.
	anticipate any changes in the character of your operations or organization (as ing to the production of PCR in the future if the antidumping finding on PCR to be revoked?
	YesSupply details as to the time, nature, and significance of such

	production cap periods indica		nation and production	d report you	our firm's e products	s combined and PCR	d in
<u>Product</u>	<u>Period</u>					f capacity licate if di	
			_				
	(Qu	<i>antity</i> in 1,	000 pound	is)			
	Item	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2
AVERAGE PROD	DUCTION CAPACITY						
PRODUCTION							
Dlagge describe	he constraint(s) that sat	the limit(a) on your	: product:	on consci	1	<u> </u>
Is your firm able	to switch production b	etween PC	CR and oth	ner produc	cts in resp	oonse to a	

II-8. Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, inventories, and employment related to the production of PCR in your U.S. establishment(s) during the specified periods. (See definitions in the instruction booklet.)

(<i>Quantity</i> in 1,00	0 pounds,	<i>valu</i> e in \$1	,000)			
Item	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
AVERAGE PRODUCTION CAPACITY¹ (quantity)						
BEGINNING-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES (quantity)						
PRODUCTION (quantity)						
U.S. SHIPMENTS:	•	•	•	•		•
Commercial shipments:						
Quantity of commercial shipments						
Value of commercial shipments						
Internal consumption:	•	•	•	•		•
Quantity of internal consumption						
Value ² of internal consumption						
Transfers to related firms:	•	•	•	•		•
Quantity of transfers to related firms						
Value ² of transfers to related firms						
EXPORT SHIPMENTS:3						
Quantity of export shipments						
Value of export shipments						
END-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES⁴ (quantity)						
U.S. SHIPMENTS TO DISTRIBUTORS (quantity)						
U.S. SHIPMENTS TO END USERS (quantity)						
AVERAGE NUMBER OF PRWs						
HOURS WORKED BY PRWs (1,000 hours)						
WAGES PAID TO PRWs (value)						
The production capacity (see definitions in instructi weeks per year. Please describe the methodology reported capacity (use additional pages as necessary).						oer week, anges in
² Internal consumption and transfers to related firms different basis for valuing these transactions, please specusing that basis for 1999-2004 below:						
³ Identify your principal export markets: ⁴ Reconciliation of dataPlease note that the quant beginning-of-period inventories, plus production, less tota reported reconcile? Yes NoPlease explain:						ata

- II-9. If you reported transfers to related firms in question II-8, 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-10. Report your firm's total U.S. shipments of PCR for the specified end uses. Totals should conform to the sum of U.S. commercial shipments, U.S. internal consumption, and U.S. transfers to related firms reported in response to question II-8.

(Quantity in 1,000 pounds)									
Item	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004			
Adhesives and sealants									
Belts and hoses									
Latex or dipped goods									
Wire and cable									
Other									
Unknown									
Total									

•	tity in 1,000 pounds,	<i>value</i> in \$	1	2002	2002	2004
PURCHASES FROM U.S. IMPORTERS ²		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
JAPAN:	OF FCK FKOW					
Quantity	1			Ī	Ī	
Value						
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES:				<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Quantity						
Value						
PURCHASES FROM DOMESTIC PRODU	ICERS:2					
Quantity				I	I	
Value						
PURCHASES FROM OTHER SOURCES:	.2			1	1	
Quantity						
Value						
¹ Please indicate your reasons for pur	chasing this product.	I If your rea	sons differ	by source,	l , please ela	l aborate.

II-12.	Since January 1, 1999, has your firm been involved in a toll agreement (see definition in the instruction booklet) regarding the production of PCR?
	No YesName firm(s):
II-13.	Does your firm produce PCR in a foreign trade zone (FTZ)?
	No YesIdentify FTZ(s):
II-14.	Since January 1, 1999, has your firm imported PCR?
	No Yes <u>COMPLETE AND RETURN THE ENCLOSED IMPORTERS'</u> <u>QUESTIONNAIRE</u>
II-15.	Describe the significance of the existing antidumping finding covering imports of PCR from Japan in terms of its effect on your firm's production capacity, production, U.S. shipments, inventories, purchases, employment, revenues, costs, profits, cash flow, capital expenditures, research and development expenditures, and asset values. You may wish to compare your firm's operations before and after the finding.
II-16.	Would your firm anticipate any changes in its production capacity, production, U.S. shipments, inventories, purchases, employment, revenues, costs, profits, cash flow, capital expenditures, research and development expenditures, or asset values relating to the production of PCR in the future if the antidumping finding on PCR from Japan were to be revoked?
	No YesSupply details as to the time, nature, and significance of such changes and provide underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, for any trends or projections you may provide.

PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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

III-1.	Identify the individ	dual who prepared or has kr	nowledge of the requested financial information.
	Company contact:	N 1.691	
		Name and title	
		Phone No.	Fax No.
		E-mail address	Company web address
III-2.	Briefly describe yo	our financial accounting sys	tem.
		your fiscal year end (month	
	If your fiscal	l year changed during the p	eriod examined, explain below:
			(e.g., plant, division, company-wide) for which clude subject merchandise:
	 Does your fi How often d annual repor Au	rm prepare profit/loss state id your firm (or parent com ts, 10Ks)? Please check rel adited unaudited	ments for the subject merchandise? YesNo pany) prepare financial statements (including levant items below. annual reports 10Ks 10Qs
			semi-annually annually tax other comprehensive (specify)
	statements for the di	1 0 0	rial statements, including internal profit-and-loss ncludes PCR, as well as those statements and worksheets response.
III-3.	Briefly describe yo	our cost accounting system	(e.g., standard cost, job order cost, etc.).
III-4.	Briefly describe you		for COGS, SG&A, and interest expense and other

PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION--Continued

If your firm receives inputs (raw materials, labor, energy, or any other services) used in the production of PCR from any related companies, describe the nature of the affiliation and extent of control these related firms have on your firm and the extent of control your firm these related firms. When your firm's financial statements are prepared, are they consolidated with the finance statements of any of the related companies in question III-6 above? (In other words, are a profits or losses arising from intercompany transactions eliminated?) No Yes—Complete question III-8 below. Identify the inputs by period, 1999-2004, if any, your firm receives from related parties we financial statements are consolidated with the financial statements of your firm, in the proof PCR. For each input item, provide the name of the related party and the basis for the toprice (i.e., cost, cost plus, market). Reasonable estimates are acceptable. Input Related Party Transfer Price Figure 1.	<u>-</u>	P	Product(s)		Share	of sales
statements of any of the related companies in question III-6 above? (In other words, are a profits or losses arising from intercompany transactions eliminated?) No Yes-Complete question III-8 below. Identify the inputs by period, 1999-2004, if any, your firm receives from related parties we financial statements are consolidated with the financial statements of your firm, in the proof PCR. For each input item, provide the name of the related party and the basis for the transcription (i.e., cost, cost plus, market). Reasonable estimates are acceptable.	production extent of	on of PCR from a control these rel	my related comp	anies, describe tl	ne nature of th	ne affiliation and t
	statement profits or No Identify t financial of PCR.	is of any of the relosses arising fruit Yes— the inputs by peristatements are conformation.	clated companies om intercompany Complete question (1999-2004), it consolidated with them, provide the	in question III-6 y transactions elication III-8 below. If any, your firm the financial statemame of the relation	receives from the ments of your ed party and to	other words, are and a related parties what firm, in the production
	statement profits or No Identify t financial of PCR. price (i.e.	is of any of the relosses arising fruit Yes— the inputs by peristatements are conformation.	clated companies om intercompany Complete question (1999-2004, 1999-2004, 1999-2004) consolidated with em, provide the market). Reason	in question III-6 y transactions elicated and the financial state and the related able estimates and the related able to the re	receives from the ments of your ed party and to	other words, are a n related parties w ur firm, in the pro

PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION--Continued

III-9. Operations on PCR.--Report the revenue and related cost information requested below on the total PCR (include all types of PCR) operations of your U.S. establishment(s). Do not report resales of product. 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 six 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 at (202) 205-3432 before completing this section of the questionnaire.

(<i>Quantity</i> in 1,0	00 pounds,	value in \$	1,000)			
Item	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Net sales quantities: ²						
Commercial sales						
Internal consumption						
Transfers to related firms						
Total net sales quantities						
Net sales values: ²						
Commercial sales						
Internal consumption						
Transfers to related firms						
Total net sales values						
Cost of goods sold (including internal consumption	on and trans	fers to rela	ated firms)	:		•
Raw materials						
Direct labor						
Other factory costs						
Total cost of goods sold						
Gross profit or (loss)						
Selling, general, and administrative (SG&A) expen	ses:			•		•
Selling expenses						
General and administrative expenses						
Total SG&A expenses						
Operating income or (loss)						
Other income and expenses:	•			•		•
Interest expense						
All other expense items						
Continued Dumping and Subsidy Offset Act funds received ³						
All other income items						
All other income or expenses, net						
Net income or (loss) before income taxes						
Depreciation/amortization included above						

¹ Include only sales (whether domestic or export) and costs related to your U.S. manufacturing operations.

² 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.

³ Please report funds received under this act (and associated time periods). Do not report these funds as an offset to operating expenses.

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

III-10. Identify and list the corporate expenses allocated to PCR in question III-9 and state where they are classified in III-9. Provide data for the specified calendar years. Use a separate page if necessary.

()	Value in \$1,00	0)				
Item	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004

III-11. If your firm has included any funds in your operations on PCR in question III-9 that are in settlement of litigation, reserves set aside for damages and penalties, and other legal or associated costs related to price-fixing or other anticompetitive arrangements, please state the amounts, where those amounts are classified, and the parties to whom the amounts were paid. Provide data for the specified calendar years. Use a separate page if necessary.

	(Value in \$1,00	0)				
Item (where classified)	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004

PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION—Continued

III-12. <u>Asset values</u>.--Report the total assets associated with the production, warehousing, and sale of PCR. 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. Your finished goods inventory value should reconcile with the inventory quantity data reported in Part II. Provide data as of the end of the specified calendar years in chronological order from left to right.

(<i>Value</i> in \$1,000)						
Value of	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Assets associated with the production, warehousing, and sale of product:						
1. Current assets:						
A. Cash and equivalents						
B. Accounts receivable, net						
C. Inventories (finished goods)						
D. Inventories (raw materials and work in process)						
E. Short-term investments						
F. Prepaid expenses						
G. Property held for resale						
H. Other (describe)						
I. Total current assets (lines 1.A. through 1.H.)						
2. Notes receivable						
3. Long-term investments						
4. Property, plant, and equipment						
A. Original cost of property, plant, and equipment						
B. Less: Accumulated depreciation						
C. Equals: Book value of property, plant, and equipment						
5. Goodwill						
6. Other (describe)						
7. Other (describe)						
8. Total assets (lines 1.l., 2, 3, 4.C., 5, 6, and 7)						

III-13. <u>Capital expenditures and research and development expenditures.</u>—Report your firm's capital expenditures and research and development expenditures on PCR. Provide data for the specified calendar years in chronological order from left to right.

(Va	lue in \$1,00	00)			
ltem 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004				2004	
Capital expenditures					
Research and development expenditures					

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PART IV.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from Robert Hughes (202-205-3300).

IV-1.	Who should be con	tacted regarding the requested pri-	cing and related information?
	Company contact:		
		Name and title	
		Phone No.	E-mail address

Section IV-A.--PRICE DATA

This section requests quarterly quantity and value data on your firm's U.S. shipments of the following products during January 1999-December 2004. Values should be for arms-length sales to <u>unrelated U.S.</u> customers, f.o.b. U.S. point of shipment, net of returns, refunds, discounts, and credits.

<u>Product 1.</u>—PCR for industrial goods; a sulfur-modified type with Mooney viscosity 36 to 55, equivalent to DuPont Dow type GRT or Denka type PS40, in solid "chips."

<u>Product 2</u>.--PCR for industrial goods, with low temperature resistance, high crystallization resistance, Mooney viscosity 43 to 53, equivalent to DuPont Dow type WRT or Denka type S-40V, in solid "chips."

<u>Product 3</u>.--PCR for general purpose solvent-based adhesives, equivalent to DuPont Dow type AD or Denka type A.

<u>Product 4</u>.--PCR equivalent to DuPont Dow type SND35 or Denka type DCR35, in solid "chips."

COPY THE FOLLOWING PAGE AS NECESSARY. Complete a separate page for each of the specified products produced and sold by your firm. Indicate in the space provided at the top of the page the product for which pricing is reported.

Section IV-A <u>I</u>	PRICE DATA	Continued	
Product 1	Product 2	Product 3	Product 4

(<i>Quantity</i> in pound	s, <i>valu</i> e in dollars)	
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value ¹
1999:		
January-March		
April-June		
July-September		
October-December		
2000:		
January-March		
April-June		
July-September		
October-December		
2001:		
January-March		
April-June		
July-September		
October-December		
2002:	•	
January-March		
April-June		
July-September		
October-December		
2003:		
January-March		
April-June		
July-September		
October-December		
2004:		
January-March		
April-June		
July-September		
October-December		
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Note.--If your product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of your product:

¹ 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

Please note that the questions in this section refer to the entire period since 1973, unless otherwise specified. If your response to any question differs for different time periods since 1973, please note this in your response (identifying the month/year to which your are referring).

Please describe how your firm determines the prices that it charges for sales of PCR (transaction by transaction negotiation, contracts for multiple shipments, set price list etc.). If your firm issues price lists, please include a copy of a recent price list with y submission. If your price list is large, please submit sample pages.							
 IV-B-2.	policy (quantity discounts, annual total volume						
 IV-B-3.		rms for its U.Sproduced PCR (e.g., 2/10 net 30 are your prices of domestic PCR usually quoted					
IV-B-4.	Approximately what share of your firm's sales of its U.Sproduced PCR in 2004 were 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 single delivery)?						
	Type of sale	Share of sales (percent)					
Long-term	n contracts						
Short-tern	n contracts						
Spot sales							
IV-B-5.	If you sell on a long-term contract barespect to provisions of a typical long	sis, please answer the following questions with g-term contract.					
(a)	What is the average duration of a contract	?					
(b)	Can prices be renegotiated during the con	tract period?					
(c)	Does the contract fix quantity, price, or bo	oth?					
	Does the contract have a meet or release p						

Section IV-B.--PRICE-RELATED QUESTIONS

IV-B-6.	V-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) V	(a) What is the average duration of a contract?								
(b) (Can prices be renego	otiated during the contract period?							
(c) I	Does the contract fix	quantity, price, or both?							
(d) I	Does the contract ha	ve a meet or release provision?							
IV-B-7.		rage lead time between a customer's or sof your U.Sproduced PCR?	rder and the date of delivery for						
	Source	Share of 2004 sales	Lead time						
From inver	ntory								
Produced to	o order								
Total		100%							
purc (c) A prod	accounted for by Who generally arran chaser (check Approximately what	approximate percentage of the total delay U.S. inland transportation costs? ges the transportation to your custome one). proportion of your sales occur within percent. 101 to 1,000 miles?	percent. ers' locations? Your firm or 100 miles of your storage or						
	What is the geogram of the second of the sec	graphic market area in the United State d-Atlantic	Southeast						

IV-B-10.	Describe the end uses of the PCR that you manufacture. For each end-use product, what percentage of the total cost is accounted for by PCR?					
	End use		Share of total cost accounted for by PCR (percent)			
IV-B-11.	Have there b	een any changes in the end uses of YesPlease describe.	PCR since 1973?			
IV-B-12.	Do you antic		dentify the time period. Provide any with relevant portions of business plans or			
IV-B-13.	(a) Please lis	t in order of importance any produ	cts that may be substituted for PCR.			
	(1)	(2)	(3)			
	(b) For each which they a	(b) For each possible substitute product, please give examples of applications and end uses fo which they are substitutes.				

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IV-B-14.	(c) Have changes in the prices of these products affected the price for PCR?					
	No	Yes—To what degree do changes in their prices affect the price for PCR? Does this effect have a time lag? If so, how long is the time lag for each substitute product? Does this vary by type of PCR or final end use?				
IV-B-15.	Have there be PCR since 19	een any changes in the number or types of products that can be substituted for 973?				
	No	YesPlease explain.				
IV-B-16.	Do you antic future?	ipate any changes in terms of the substitutability of other products for PCR in the				
	No	YesPlease describe. Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.				
	-					
IV-B-17.	for PCR duri raw material you believe v	nt have changes in the prices of raw materials affected your firm's selling prices ng January 1999-December 2004? Also discuss any anticipated changes in your costs in the future, identifying the time period(s) involved and the factor(s) that would be responsible for such changes. Provide any underlying assumptions, levant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address				

IV-B-18.	Have any changes occurred in any other factors affecting supply (e.g., changes in availability or prices of energy or labor; transportation conditions; production capacity and/or methods of production; technology; export markets; or alternative production opportunities) that affected the availability of U.Sproduced PCR in the U.S. market since 1973?					
	No YesPlease note the time period(s) of any such changes, the factors(s) involved, and the impact such changes had on your shipment volumes and prices.					
IV-B-19.	(a) Do you anticipate any changes in terms of the availability of U.Sproduced PCR in the U.S. market in the future?					
	Increase No Change Decrease					
	(b) If you anticipate changes in supply, please identify the changes including the time period and the impact of such changes on shipment volumes and prices. Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.					

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PART IV.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

Section IV-B.--MARKET FACTORS--Continued

IV-B-20.	Has the availability of NONSUBJECT imported PCR changed since 1973?			
	No YesPlease explain.			
IV-B-21.	Describe how easily your firm can shift its sales of PCR between the U.S. market and alternative country markets. In your discussion, please describe any contracts, other sales arrangements, or other constraints that would prevent or retard your firm from shifting PCR between the U.S. and alternative country markets within a 12-month period. Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.			
IV-B-22.	Have there been any significant changes in the product range, product mix, or marketing (including sales over the internet) of PCR since 1973?			
	No YesPlease describe and quantify if possible.			
IV-B-23.	Do you anticipate any changes in terms of the product range, product mix, or marketing (including sales over the internet) of PCR in the future? Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.			
	No YesPlease identify, including the time period.			

Section IV-B.--MARKET FACTORS--Continued

IV-B-24.	How has demand within the United States (and outside the United States, if known) for PCR changed since 1973?					
	Increased Unchanged Decreased					
	Other (describe)					
	What were the principal factors affecting changes in demand?					
IV-B-25.	Do you anticipate any future changes in PCR demand in the United States and, if known, the rest of the world?					
	No YesPlease describe and identify the time period. Provide any underlying assumptions, along with relevant portions of business plans or other supporting documentation, that address this issue.					
IV-B-26.	Please compare market prices of PCR in U.S. and non-U.S. markets, if known. Provide specific information as to time periods and regions for any price comparisons.					

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PART IV.--PRICING AND MARKET FACTORS--Continued

Section IV-B.--MARKET FACTORS--Continued

IV-B-27.	Please provide as a separate attachment to this request any studies, surveys, etc. that you are aware of that quantify and/or otherwise discuss PCR supply (including production capacity and capacity utilization) and demand in (1) the United States, (2) each of the other major producing/consuming countries, including Japan, and (3) the world as a whole. Of particular interest is such data from 1973 to the present and forecasts for the future.					
IV-B-28.	Are your exports of PCR subject to any tariff or non-tariff barriers to trade in other countries?					
	No	YesPlease list the countries and describe any such barriers and any significant changes in such barriers that have occurred since 1973, or that are expected to occur in the future.				
IV-B-29.	Does your firm sell PCR over the internet?					
	No	YesPlease describe, noting the estimated percentage of your firm's total sales of PCR in 2004 accounted for by internet sales.				

IV-B-30. Is PCR 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 <i>always</i> interchangeable, "F" to indicate that the products are <i>frequently</i> interchangeable, "S" to indicate that the products are <i>sometimes</i> interchangeable, "N" to indicate that the products are <i>never</i> interchangeable, and "0" to indicate <i>no familiarity</i> with products from a specified country-pair. ¹							
Country-pair	United States	Japan	Other countries				
United States							
Japan							
¹ For any country-pair producing PCR which is <i>sometimes or never</i> interchangeable, please explain the factors that limit or preclude interchangeable use:							

IV-B-31. Are differences other than price (i.e., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, etc.) between PCR 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 <i>always</i> significant, "F" to indicate that such differences are <i>frequently</i> significant, "S" to indicate that such differences are <i>sometimes</i> significant, "N" to indicate that such differences are <i>never</i> significant, and "0" to indicate <i>no familiarity</i> with products from a specified country-pair. ¹							
Country-pair	United States	Japan	Other countries				
United States							
Japan							
Japan 1 For any country-pair for which factors other than price always or frequently are a significant factor in your firm's sales of PCR, identify the country-pair and report the advantages or disadvantages imparted by such factors:							