

Period of Investigation:

Pre-Sampling Questionnaire (Producer)

Anti-dumping measures applicable to imports of certain pre- and poststressing wires and wire strands of non-alloy steel (PSC wires and strands) originating in the People's Republic of China

Case TD0003: PSC wire and strands exported from the People's Republic of China

01 January 2019 - 31 December 2019

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Injury Period:	01 January 2016 – 31 December 2019
Deadline for response:	14 August 2020
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Completed on behalf of:	Bridon-Bekaert The Ropes Group
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The scope of this review

Goods subject to review

This review covers certain pre- and post-stressing wires and wire strands of nonalloy steel (PSC wires and strands) exported from the People's Republic of China, described as:

Not plated or not coated wire of non-alloy steel, wire of non-alloy steel plated or coated with zinc and stranded wire of non-alloy steel whether or not plated or coated with not more than 18 wires, containing by weight 0,6 % or more of carbon, with a maximum cross-sectional dimension exceeding 3 mm. Galvanised (but not with any further coating material) seven wire strands in which the diameter of the central wire is identical to or less than 3 % greater than the diameter of any of the 6 other wires are not covered by the measures in force and are not subject to this review.

These goods subject to review are currently classifiable within the following Taric code(s)

7217 10 90 10

7217 20 90 10

7312 10 61 91

7312 10 65 91

7312 10 69 91

These Taric codes are only given for information.

In this pre-sampling questionnaire, these goods will be referred to as the goods subject to review. Any reference to 'goods subject to review' in this pre-sampling questionnaire refers to the goods description above, regardless of the commodity code under which they are exported.

Like goods

This pre-sampling questionnaire asks for information about your company's production and sales of goods which are like the goods subject to review. Any reference to 'like goods' in this pre-sampling questionnaire refers to goods produced in the UK or imported to the UK from a country other than the People's Republic of China which are like the goods subject to review, in all respects, or with characteristics closely resembling them.

Please follow the instructions for each question to provide the appropriate information regarding the goods subject to review or like goods.



Instructions

The Trade Remedies Investigations Directorate (TRID) of the United Kingdom's Department for International Trade will be carrying out a transition review of each trade remedy measure active under the EU system that the United Kingdom (UK) has decided to transition after EU exit. This transition review will consider whether the anti-dumping measure for certain pre- and post-stressing wires and wire strands of non-alloy steel (PSC wires and strands), exported from the People's Republic of China, is necessary or sufficient to offset dumping and whether there would be injury to the UK industry if that measure was removed.

I – Why you are being asked to complete this pre-sampling questionnaire

We are seeking your cooperation as a UK producer of the like good, to inform our review of whether the current anti-dumping measure should be maintained, varied or discontinued.

This pre-sampling questionnaire allows us to collect basic information and data about your company. If a large number of UK producers complete this pre-sampling questionnaire, we will use the information each one provides to help us decide which companies we want to sample for further investigation. If you are sampled, we will send you a more detailed questionnaire to complete.

For more information about this case, you may refer to the Notice of Initiation published at: www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk/public/cases.

II - Who should complete this form

You should complete this form if you are a UK producer of certain pre- and poststressing wires and wire strands of non-alloy steel (PSC wires and strands), as defined above, ('the like good').

If you are not a UK producer, please complete either the relevant Pre-Sampling Questionnaire or the Contributor Registration Form

III - Deadline for response

A completed pre-sampling questionnaire must be submitted to TRID by no later than **14 August 2020**. If you are unable to provide a completed submission by the given due date and you wish to request an extension, please contact Michanne Haynes-Prempeh at TD0003@traderemedies.gov.uk



IV – Note about confidentiality

You will need to submit one confidential version and one non-confidential version of your pre-sampling questionnaire by the due date. Please ensure that each page of information you provide is clearly marked either "Confidential" or "Non-Confidential" in the header. It is your responsibility to ensure that the non-confidential version does not contain any confidential information.

Please see https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-trade-remedies-investigations-process#how-we-handle-confidential-information for further information on what can be considered confidential and how to prepare a non-confidential version of this questionnaire.

All information provided to TRID in confidence will be treated accordingly and only used for this investigation (except in limited circumstance as permitted by regulation 46 of the Trade Remedies (Dumping and Subsidisation) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019) and will be stored in protected systems. The non-confidential version of your submission will be placed on the public file, which is available on www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk/public/cases

V – Period of Investigation

The Period of Investigation (POI) referred to in this pre-sampling questionnaire is: 01/01/2019 to 31/12/2019.

VI - Injury Period

The Injury Period referred to in this pre-sampling questionnaire is: 01/01/2016 to 31/12/2019.



Section A – Activities of your company and any associated parties

parties
A1 – Your company's activities
To determine your company's role as an interested party for the purpose of this review, please select the activity/activities of your company below. For a definition of the goods subject to review/like goods please refer to above section on 'the scope of this review'.
☑ producer of the like goods in the UK
□ other (please give details below)
If you have selected 'other', please describe the role of your company with regards to goods subject to review or like goods:
Please answer here
Please describe your interest in this case:
Please answer here



A2 – Associated parties and operational links

Please give details of all associated parties involved in the production and/or sales (export and/or domestic) of the goods subject to review or like goods during the POI. Both natural persons (individuals) and legal persons (e.g. companies) are considered to be associated where they meet the definition of 'Related Persons' in regulation 128 of the Customs (Import Duty) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018.

Examples of activities with associated parties could include production, domestic sales, export sales, and/or further processing of the goods subject to review or like goods.

	Company name	Company location (city, country)	Activities	Relationship
Your company	Bridon-Bekaert The Ropes Group	Doncaster, GB	Manufacture and sale of high carbon steel wire	
Associated Party 1				
Associated Party 2				

+ Add additional rows as required



Section B - Production, sales and imports

B1 – Production

Please describe the product that you produce and/or sell in the UK market that meets the product description as above, e.g. wire and or strand, diameter etc.

Please answer here 5mm and 7mm PC wire with either Triple (T1) or Belgian (T2) indent. 9.3mm PC Strand

Does the PSC wire and strand that your company currently produces or sells in the UK meet the CARES Product Certification standard set out here?

Please answer here

Yes, current certification for all wire. PC Strand certification has lapsed as we do not currently sell, but did during Injury Period and POI

Please fill in your company's total production volume and capacity for the like goods in the table below.

	Volume kg
Overall production of the like goods during the POI	
Total production capacity of the like goods during the POI	



B2 - Sales volume and value

Please provide your UK sales data for the like goods produced in the UK by your company.

Volume kg	Value in GBP (£)

B3 – Imports

If your company has also imported the goods subject to review from the People's Republic of China or like goods from any other country and sold them in the UK during the POI, provide your sales data for these imported goods subject to review and or the like goods.

	Volume kg	Value in GBP (£)
UK sales of the goods subject to review, imported from the People's Republic of China in the POI	0	0
UK sales of the like goods, imported from countries other than the People's Republic of China in the POI	0	0

Section C - Additional information

Please provide any other relevant information which you think would be useful to help our investigation in the box below.

This may include:

- other interested parties you believe should receive a questionnaire;
- any initial concerns you have about the possible existence of a particular market situation in the domestic market of the exporting country or territory such as:
 - situations/distortions in the domestic market of the exporting country where prices are artificially low;
 - o significant barter trade;
 - o prices reflect non-commercial factors; or
 - o any other reason

which means it is not appropriate to use the comparable price to determine the normal value of the goods subject to review; or

- the scope of the investigation;
- · anything else you consider relevant.

Bridon-Bekaert is the only manufacturer of high carbon steel wire in the UK.		

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In addition, as part of this review, we will conduct an Economic Interest Test to assess whether a measure is in the economic interest of the UK. As part of this process, we would like your help to identify upstream and downstream industries which may wish to contribute to our review. If possible, please provide the names and contact information for any UK-based companies operating upstream or downstream of your business in the supply chain for the like goods.

The only upstream industries supplying materials to us for use in PC Wire or Strand would be the high carbon steel wire rod producers. The only one of those based in the UK is British Steel, Scunthorpe.	



Section D - Certification

By providing the information above, you acknowledge that your company may be asked to complete a detailed questionnaire and TRID may ask to visit your premises in order to verify the questionnaire response.

The undersigned certifies that the information supplied herein is correct and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief,

The undersigned certifies that they have the authority to supply the information contained herein on behalf of Bridon-Bekaert The Ropes Group.

Signature (including e-signature):

Name: Jeremy Lewis

Position at company: Sector Lead, Wire

Date: 12th August 2020