

PRODUCERS' QUESTIONNAIRE
IRONING TABLES AND CERTAIN PARTS THEREOF 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 July 14, 2003

The information called for in this questionnaire is for use by the United States International Trade Commission in connection with its antidumping investigation concerning ironing tables and certain parts thereof from China (inv. No. 731-TA-1047 (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)).

<p>Name of firm _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip code _____</p> <p>World Wide Web address _____</p> <p>Has your firm produced ironing tables or certain parts thereof (as defined in the instruction booklet) at any time since January 1, 2000?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> NO (Sign the certification below and promptly return only this page of the questionnaire to the Commission)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES (Read the instruction booklet carefully, complete all parts of the questionnaire, sign the certification, and return the entire questionnaire to the Commission)</p>

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

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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.

I-1. 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-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

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, will provide a list of firms supporting the petition to the Customs Service 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 (that is, I do not wish my position on the petition to be made public)

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

No Yes--List the following information.

<u>Firm name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Extent of ownership</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

PART I.--GENERAL QUESTIONS--Continued

I-5. Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, which are engaged in importing ironing tables and certain parts thereof from China into the United States or which are engaged in exporting ironing tables and certain parts thereof from China to the United States?

No Yes--List the following information.

<u>Firm name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

I-6. Does your firm have any related firms, either domestic or foreign, which are engaged in the production of ironing tables and certain parts thereof?

No Yes--List the following information.

<u>Firm name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

PART II.--TRADE AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from **Gail Burns** (202-205-2501). **Supply all data requested on a calendar-year 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 ironing tables and certain parts thereof since January 1, 2000?

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

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

II-3. Does your firm produce other products on the same equipment and machinery used in the production of ironing tables and certain parts thereof?

No Yes--List the following information.

<u>Product</u>	<u>Basis for allocation of capacity data</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____

II-4. Please describe the constraint(s) that set the limit(s) on your production capabilities.

II-5. Does your firm produce other products using the same production and related workers employed to produce ironing tables and certain parts thereof?

No Yes--List the following information.

<u>Product</u>	<u>Basis for allocation of employment data</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____

II-6. Since January 1, 2000, has your firm been involved in a toll agreement (see definition in the instruction booklet) regarding the production of ironing tables and certain parts thereof?

No Yes--Name firm: _____

II-7. Does your firm produce ironing tables and certain parts thereof in a foreign trade zone (FTZ)?

No Yes--Identify FTZ(s): _____

II-8. Since January 1, 2000, has your firm imported ironing tables and certain parts thereof?

No Yes--**COMPLETE AND RETURN THE ENCLOSED IMPORTERS' QUESTIONNAIRE**

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

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

(Quantity in 1,000 units, value in \$1,000)					
Item	Calendar years			January-March	
	2000	2001	2002	2002	2003
AVERAGE PRODUCTION CAPACITY (<i>quantity</i>)					
BEGINNING-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES (<i>quantity</i>)					
PRODUCTION (<i>quantity</i>)					
U.S. SHIPMENTS:					
Commercial shipments:					
<i>Quantity</i> of commercial shipments					
<i>Value</i> of commercial shipments					
Internal consumption:					
<i>Quantity</i> of internal consumption					
<i>Value</i> ¹ of internal consumption					
Transfers to related firms:					
<i>Quantity</i> of transfers to related firms					
<i>Value</i> ¹ of transfers to related firms					
EXPORT SHIPMENTS:²					
<i>Quantity</i> of export shipments					
<i>Value</i> of export shipments					
END-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES³ (<i>quantity</i>)					
U.S. SHIPMENTS TO DISTRIBUTORS (<i>quantity</i>)					
U.S. SHIPMENTS TO END USERS (<i>quantity</i>)					
AVERAGE NUMBER OF PRWs					
HOURS WORKED BY PRWs (<i>1,000 hours</i>)					
WAGES PAID TO PRWs (<i>value</i>)					

¹ Internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued at fair market value. In the event that you use a different basis for valuing these transactions, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, etc.) and provide value data using that basis for 2000, 2001, and 2002 below:

² Identify your principal export markets: _____

³ **Reconciliation of data.**--Please note that the **quantities** reported above should reconcile as follows: beginning-of-period inventories, plus production, less total shipments, equals end-of-period inventories. Do the data reported reconcile?

Yes No--Please explain: _____

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

II-9-B. Report your firm's production capacity, production, shipments, inventories, and employment related to the production of certain ironing table parts in your U.S. establishment(s) during the specified periods. (See definitions in the instruction booklet.)

(value in \$1,000)					
Item	Calendar years			January-March	
	2000	2001	2002	2002	2003
U.S. SHIPMENTS:					
Commercial shipments (value)					
Internal consumption (value) ¹					
Transfers to related firms (value) ¹					
Export shipments (value) ²					
U.S. SHIPMENTS TO DISTRIBUTORS (value)					
U.S. SHIPMENTS TO END USERS (value)					
¹ Internal consumption and transfers to related firms must be valued at fair market value. In the event that you use a different basis for valuing these transactions, please specify that basis (e.g., cost, cost plus, etc.) and provide value data using that basis for 2000, 2001, and 2002 below:					
² Identify your principal export markets: _____					

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

II-10. If you reported transfers to related firms in question II-9-A or II-9-B, 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. Other than direct imports, has your firm otherwise purchased ironing tables and certain parts thereof since January 1, 2000? (See definitions in the instruction booklet.)

- No
 Yes--Report such purchases below for the specified periods.¹

<i>(Quantity in 1,000 units, value in \$1,000)</i>					
Item	Calendar years			January-March	
	2000	2001	2002	2002	2003
PURCHASES FROM U.S. IMPORTERS² OF PRODUCT FROM--					
China:					
Ironing tables (<i>quantity</i>)					
Ironing tables (<i>value</i>)					
Certain parts of ironing table (<i>value</i>)					
ALL OTHER COUNTRIES:					
Ironing tables (<i>quantity</i>)					
Ironing tables (<i>value</i>)					
Certain parts of ironing table (<i>value</i>)					
PURCHASES FROM DOMESTIC PRODUCERS:²					
Ironing tables (<i>quantity</i>)					
Ironing tables (<i>value</i>)					
Certain parts of ironing table (<i>value</i>)					
PURCHASES FROM OTHER SOURCES:²					
Ironing tables (<i>quantity</i>)					
Ironing tables (<i>value</i>)					
Certain parts of ironing table (<i>value</i>)					
¹ Please indicate your reasons for purchasing this product. If your reasons differ by source, please elaborate. <hr/>					
² Please list the name of the firm(s) from which you purchased this product. If your suppliers differ by source, please identify the source for each listed supplier. <hr/>					

PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION--Continued

III-6-A. Operations on ironing tables and certain parts thereof.--Report the revenue and related cost information requested below on the ironing tables and certain parts thereof operations of your U.S. establishment(s).¹ 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, and for the specified interim periods.

<i>(Quantity in 1,000 units, value in \$1,000)</i>					
Item	Fiscal years ended--			January-March	
	_____	_____	_____	2002	2003
Net sales quantities:^{2 3}					
Commercial sales					
Internal consumption					
Transfers to related firms					
Total net sales quantities					
Net sales values:^{2 4}					
Commercial sales					
Internal consumption					
Transfers to related firms					
Total net sales values					
Cost of goods sold (including internal consumption and transfers to related firms):					
Raw materials					
Direct labor					
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					

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 Include only quantities of ironing tables.

⁴ Include values for both ironing tables and certain parts thereof. Report on a separate page the values of reported parts.

PART III.--FINANCIAL INFORMATION--Continued

III-7. Capital expenditures, research and development expenditures, and asset values.--Report your firm's capital expenditures and research and development expenditures on ironing tables and certain parts thereof and the values of the property, plant, and equipment used in the production of ironing tables and certain parts thereof. Provide data for your three most recently completed fiscal years in chronological order from left to right, and for the specified interim periods.

(Value in \$1,000)					
Item	Fiscal years ended--			January-March	
	_____	_____	_____	2002	2003
Capital expenditures					
Research and development expenditures					
Property, plant, and equipment:					
Original cost					
Book value					

III-8. Since January 1, 2000, 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 ironing tables and certain parts thereof from China?

No Yes--My firm has experienced actual negative effects as follows:

- Cancellation 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) _____

III-9. Does your firm anticipate any negative impact of imports of ironing tables and certain parts thereof from China?

No Yes--My firm anticipates negative effects as follows:

PART IV.--PRICING AND RELATED INFORMATION

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from John Benedetto (202-205-3270).

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.--PRICE DATA

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 January 2000-March 2003:

Product 1.—Floor-standing, metal perforated top ironing table, T-Leg, with pad and cover

Product 2.—Floor-standing, metal mesh top ironing table, T-Leg, with pad and cover

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

Section IV-A.--PRICE DATA--Continued

COPY THIS PAGE AS NECESSARY. Complete a separate page for each of the specified products¹ produced and sold by your firm.

Product 1 Product 2

(Quantity in units, value in dollars)		
Period of shipment	Quantity	Value ²
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		
¹ If your product does not exactly meet the product specifications but is competitive with the specified product, provide a description of your product: <hr/>		
² 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.		

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

Section IV-B.--PRICE-RELATED QUESTIONS

IV-B-1. Please describe how your firm determines the prices that it charges for sales of ironing tables and certain parts thereof (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 ironing tables and certain parts thereof (e.g., 2/10 net 30 days)? _____ On what basis are your prices of domestic ironing tables and certain parts thereof usually quoted (e.g., f.o.b. warehouse, or delivered)? _____

IV-B-4. Approximately what percentage of your firm's sales of its U.S.-produced ironing tables and certain parts thereof are on a contract (___ percent) vs. spot sales (___ percent) basis? If you sell on a contract basis, please answer the following questions with respect to provisions of a typical contract.

(a) What is the average duration of a contract? _____

(b) How frequently are contracts renegotiated? _____

(c) Does the contract fix quantity, price, or both? _____

(d) Does the contract have a meet or release provision? _____

(e) What are the standard quantity requirements, if any? _____

(f) What is the price premium for sub-minimum shipments? ___ percent

IV-B-5. What is the average lead time between a customer's order and the date of delivery for your firm's sales of ironing tables and certain parts thereof? _____

IV-B-6. What is the approximate percentage of the total delivered cost of ironing tables and certain parts thereof that is accounted for by transportation costs? ___ percent. Who generally arranges the transportation to your customers' locations? Your firm ___ or purchaser ___ (check one). 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.

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

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

IV-B-7. What is the geographic market area in the United States served by your firm's ironing tables and certain parts thereof?

IV-B-8. What other products may be substitutes for ironing tables and certain parts thereof?

IV-B-9. How has the demand within the United States (and outside the United States if known) for ironing tables and certain parts thereof changed since January 1, 2000? What were the principal factors affecting changes in demand?

IV-B-10. Have there been any significant changes in the product range or marketing of ironing tables and certain parts thereof in the past five years?

No Yes--Please describe.

IV-B-11. Does your firm sell ironing tables and certain parts thereof over the internet (e.g., online reverse auctions)?

No Yes--Please describe, noting the estimated percentage of your firm's total sales of ironing tables and certain parts thereof in 2000, 2001, 2002, and January-March 2003 accounted for by internet sales.

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

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

IV-B-12 For each internet sale/reverse auction in which your firm participated, please provide the following information (attach additional pages if necessary):

a) What was the name of the company sponsoring the auction? _____

b) When did the auction take place? _____

c) Which metal-top ironing table products or product lines were being purchased through the auction? _____

d) When was the metal-top ironing table product to be shipped to the purchaser?

e) What were the quantities of each metal-top ironing table product or product line being purchased? _____

f) What were your opening and final bids on each metal-top ironing table product or product line? _____

g) What was the winning bid on each metal-top ironing table product? _____

h) If your firm did not win, please explain why you did not bid any lower.

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

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

IV-B-13. Are the U.S.-produced and imported ironing tables and certain parts thereof from China used interchangeably (i.e., can they physically be used in the same applications)?

Yes No--Please explain.

IV-B-14. Are the U.S.-produced and NONSUBJECT imported ironing tables and certain parts thereof (i.e., product imported from countries/firms not subject to this investigation) generally used interchangeably?

Yes No--Please explain, by country.

IV-B-15. Are NONSUBJECT imported ironing tables and certain parts thereof and imported ironing tables and certain parts thereof from China used interchangeably?

Yes No--Please explain, by country.

IV-B-16. Are there any differences in product characteristics or sales conditions between U.S.-produced ironing tables and certain parts thereof and ironing tables and certain parts thereof imported from China that are a significant factor in your firm's sales of ironing tables and certain parts thereof?

No Yes--Please describe any such advantages or disadvantages of the domestic product vis-a-vis the imported product (e.g., quality, availability, transportation network, product range, technical support, etc.).

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

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

IV-B-17. Are there any differences in product characteristics or sales conditions between U.S.-produced ironing tables and certain parts thereof and NONSUBJECT imported ironing tables and certain parts thereof that are a significant factor in your firm's sales of ironing tables and certain parts thereof?

- No Yes--Please describe any such advantages or disadvantages of the domestic product vis-a-vis the nonsubject imported product, by country of origin.

IV-B-18. Are there any differences in product characteristics or sales conditions between NONSUBJECT imported ironing tables and certain parts thereof and imported ironing tables and certain parts thereof from China that are a significant factor in your firm's sales of ironing tables and certain parts thereof?

- No Yes--Please describe, by country, any such advantages or disadvantages of the nonsubject imported product vis-a-vis the imported product from China.

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

Section IV-C.--CUSTOMER IDENTIFICATION

Please identify below the names and addresses of your firm's 10 largest customers for ironing tables and certain parts thereof during January 2000-March 2003. 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 ironing tables and certain parts thereof that each of these customers accounted for in 2002.

No.	Customer's name	Street address (not P.O. box), state, and zip code	Contact person	Area code and telephone number	Share of 2002 sales (%)
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

PART V.--DOMESTIC LIKE PRODUCT QUESTIONS

Further information on this part of the questionnaire can be obtained from **Gail Burns** (202-205-2501). **Supply all data requested (except for financial data) on a calendar-year basis.**

V-1. Who should be contacted regarding the requested information?

Company contact: _____
Name and title

Phone No.

E-mail address

V-2. With respect to your firm's operations on **excluded over-door, wall-mounted, tabletop, or countertop ironboards**, have you, since January 1, 2000, lost sales or revenues or experienced any negative effects on your firm's growth, investment, ability to raise capital, or existing development and production efforts, including efforts to develop a derivative or more advanced version of the product, as a result of imports of **subject ironing tables** from China?

No Yes--Please describe the lost sales/revenues and/or negative impact.

V-3. **Trade and related information.**--Report the information requested on the following page for excluded over-door, wall-mounted, tabletop, or countertop ironing boards produced in your U.S. establishment(s) during the specified periods. **Photocopy page, as need, and report separately for (1) over-door and wall-mounted ironing boards, and (2) tabletop and countertop ironing boards.** (See product definitions in the instruction booklet). In the space provided below, please indicate whether or not your firm was able to provide accurate figures, or estimates, for the data requested. If not, identify your problems in doing so and indicate the nature (and extent) of any inaccuracies.

PART V.--DOMESTIC LIKE PRODUCT QUESTIONS--Continued

V-3.--Trade and related information (excluded over-door, wall-mounted, tabletop, or countertop ironing boards).--Continued

Over-door and wall-mounted ironing boards tabletop and countertop ironing boards

(Quantity in 1,000 units, value in \$1,000)					
Item	Calendar years, except as noted			January-March	
	2000	2001	2002	2002	2003
AVERAGE PRODUCTION CAPACITY (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 ¹ of internal consumption					
Transfers to related firms:					
Quantity of transfers to related firms					
Value ¹ of transfers to related firms					
EXPORT SHIPMENTS:²					
Quantity of export shipments					
Value of export shipments					
END-OF-PERIOD INVENTORIES³ (quantity)					
AVERAGE NUMBER OF PRWs					
HOURS WORKED BY PRWs (1,000 hours)					
WAGES PAID TO PRWs (value)					
FINANCIAL INFORMATION:⁴					
Net sales:⁵					
Quantity					
Value					
Cost of goods sold (value)					
Gross profit or (loss) (value)					
Selling, general, and administrative expenses (value)					
Operating income or (loss) (value)					
Capital expenditures (value)					
¹ Sales to related firms (including internal consumption and transfers) must be valued at fair market value. ² Identify your principal export markets: _____ ³ Reconciliation of data.--Please note that the quantities reported above should reconcile as follows: beginning-of-period inventories, plus production, less total shipments, equals end-of-period inventories. Do the data reported reconcile? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No--Please explain: _____ ⁴ Report financial information on a fiscal-year basis (year ending _____). ⁵ Including internal consumption and transfers to related firms and net of discounts, returns, allowances, and prepaid freight.					

PART V.--DOMESTIC LIKE PRODUCT QUESTIONS

The following questions relate to the degree of similarity or the differences between “ironing tables” (floor-standing, metal-topped products) and “excluded ironing boards” (also metal-topped but over-door, wall-mounted, countertop, or tabletop products) in the U.S. market. Please do not give similarities/differences between domestic ironing tables and imported ironing tables or between domestic excluded ironing boards and imported excluded ironing boards. This question does not ask for comparisons of the domestic product with the imported product, but rather for comparisons between the two products--i.e., ironing tables compared with excluded ironing boards.

V-4. Please describe the any similarities and/or differences in the physical characteristics of ironing tables and excluded ironing boards.

V-5. Please describe the any similarities and/or differences in the uses for ironing tables and excluded ironing boards in the United States.

V-6. Please describe the degree of interchangeability, if any, between ironing tables and excluded ironing boards, i.e., are they used in the same or similar applications in the United States.

V-7. Please describe the any similarities and/or differences in the U.S. channels of distribution (e.g., distributors, end users, etc.) for ironing tables and excluded ironing boards.

V-8. Please describe, to the best of your knowledge, any similarities and/or differences in customer and producer perceptions of ironing tables and excluded ironing boards in the U.S. market.

V-9. Please explain whether ironing tables and excluded ironing boards are made in common (i.e., the same or shared) U.S. manufacturing facilities, using common production processes, and production employees.

V-10. Please describe the any similarities and/or differences in the prices of ironing tables and excluded ironing boards in the U.S. market.
