



Pre-Sampling Questionnaire (Overseas Producer and/or Exporter)

Anti-Dumping Investigation

Case AD0049: Suspension Poly(vinyl chloride) originating in the United States of America (US)

Period of Investigation:	01 January 2023 – 31 December 2023
Injury Period:	01 January 2020 – 31 December 2023
Deadline for response:	23 January 2024
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Completed on behalf of:	Westlake Corporation, namely: Westlake Chemicals & Vinyls LLC; Westlake Vinyls, Inc. Westlake Vinyls Company LP

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Please note that you will have to provide **two copies of your response** – a **confidential** and a **non-confidential version**. Both copies must be returned to the TRA using the Trade Remedies Service (www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk) by **23 January 2024**.



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Section A – Activities of your company and any associated parties

A1 – Your company’s activities

To determine your company’s role for the purpose of this investigation, please select the activity/activities of your company below. For a definition of goods concerned / like goods please refer to above section [‘the scope of this investigation’](#).

- overseas producer of the like goods (who does not export directly)
- overseas exporter of the goods concerned (who does not produce)
- overseas producer and exporter of the goods concerned**
- other (please give details below)

If you have selected ‘other’, please describe the role of your company with regards to the goods concerned or the like goods:

Westlake Group is a US exporting producer of the goods concerned.

Please describe your interest in this investigation:

Westlake Group is interested in this investigation because it has been exporting the goods concerned to the UK.



A2 – Associated parties and operational links

Please give details of all associated parties involved with the company in the production and sales (export and/or domestic) of the goods concerned 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 could include manufacturing, exporting, purchasing, warehousing, sales (domestic), sales (export), further processing of the goods concerned or like goods.



	Company name	Company location	Activities	Relationship
Associated party 1	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, this contains a number of entities related to Westlake and describes their role]			
Associated party 2				
Associated party 3				



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party 4

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A3 – Non-associated parties and operational links

Please give details of all non-associated parties involved with the company in the production and sales (export and/or domestic) of the goods concerned or like goods during the POI.

Examples of activities could include manufacturing, exporting, purchasing, warehousing, sales (domestic), sales (export), further processing of the goods concerned or like goods.

	Company name	Company location	Activities	Relationship
Non-Associated party 1				
Non-Associated party 2				
Non-Associated party 3				
Non-Associated party 4				
Non-Associated party 5				
Non-Associated party 6				
Non-Associated party 7				
Non-Associated party 8				
Non-Associated party 9				
Non-Associated party 10	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, this contains a number of entities unrelated to Westlake and describes their role (e.g. trader)]			



Non-Associated party 11
Non-Associated party 12
Non-Associated party 13
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Non-Associated party 29
Non-Associated party 30

+ Add additional rows as required



Section B – Production and sales volumes

B1 – Production

Please fill in your company’s total production volume and capacity for the goods concerned and like goods in the table below (if applicable).

	Volume (mT) Westlake Vinyls Company, LP
Overall production of the goods concerned and like goods during the POI (01 January – 31 December 2023)	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 400,000 – 600,000]
Total production capacity of the goods concerned and like goods during the POI (01 January – 31 December 2023)	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 550,000 – 750,000]
	Volume (mT) Westlake Vinyls, Inc.
Overall production of the goods concerned and like goods during the POI (01 January – 31 December 2023)	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 700,000 – 900,000]
Total production capacity of the goods concerned and like goods during the POI (01 January – 31 December 2023)	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 600,000 – 800,000]
	Volume (mT) Westlake Chemicals & Vinyls, LLC
Overall production of the goods concerned and like goods during the POI (01 January – 31 December 2023)	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 800,000 – 1,000,000]
Total production capacity of the goods concerned and like goods during the POI (01 January – 31 December 2023)	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 1,200,000 – 1,500,000]



B2 – Sales volume and value

Please explain your sales models for both the US domestic and export markets e.g. contract terms/restrictions, sales to traders etc.

[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, describes how Westlake sells in the US and in the export markets, including the UK].

Please provide the total sales volumes and sales price values in the appropriate table below.

TABLE C – Overseas producer (who exports directly)

	Volume (mT)	Value (USD)
Total export sales of the goods concerned to the UK during the POI manufactured by your company (01 January – 31 December 2023)	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 6,000 – 8,000]	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 6,000,000 – 8,000,000]
Total export sales of the goods concerned to the UK during the POI not manufactured by your company (01 January – 31 December 2023)	0	0
Total domestic sales of like goods during the POI manufactured by your company (01 January – 31 December 2023)	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 1,100,000 – 1,400,000]	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 1,100,000,000 – 1,400,000,000]
Total domestic sales of like goods during the POI not manufactured by your company (01 January – 31 December 2023)	0	0
Total sales to traders/exporters for export (to the UK and rest of world) in the POI (01 January – 31 December 2023)	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 200,000 – 400,000]	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, 200,000,000 – 400,000,000]
Total sales to traders/exporters for export to the UK only (if known) in the POI (01 January – 31 December 2023)	0	0



B3 – Commodity codes

Please provide details of the commodity code(s) you export the goods concerned to the UK under in the box below (if applicable):

Not applicable

Section C – Individual anti-dumping amount

If the TRA decides to sample overseas producers and/or exporters, and you are **not** selected for this sample, exporters might become eligible for an individual anti-dumping amount if you complete a detailed questionnaire. Please indicate whether you would complete this questionnaire below:

- Yes
 No

If you do **not** choose to complete a detailed questionnaire, you will not be eligible for an individual anti-dumping amount. Your anti-dumping amount will be determined based on the amounts imposed on the overseas exporters in the sample.

Please note:

If we recommend that a trade remedy measure applies following this investigation and you have requested an individual anti-dumping amount, please note that you will be required to supply the necessary information within the given timeframe for us to calculate this for you.

The TRA must accept an overseas exporter's request for an individual anti-dumping amount and calculate an individual amount, providing that:

- the information required is complete and submitted on time; and



- the number of requests for individual calculations does not unduly burden the investigation and risk delaying its conclusion.

Section D – Additional information

D1 – Other interested parties

If you believe there are other interested parties that should receive a questionnaire, please provide their organisation name and website details below.

Organisation name	Website

D2 – Scope

Do you agree with the scope of the investigation as outlined on page 3?

- Yes
 No

If you have answered no to the above question, please can you explain why?



D3 – Product Control Numbers

The TRA uses Product Control Numbers (PCNs) to define and distinguish the different types of products that fall under the goods description above.

PCNs, which usually come in the form of an **alphanumeric code**, help to create a categorisation system so that comparisons can be made between goods produced in the domestic UK market and those produced in foreign markets.

However, we are proposing a single numeric code following industry feedback that there is little variation between the different types of S-PVC on the world market (including cost to make and actual sales prices). We have created a draft PCN table and enclose this here for you now.

Description	PCN Descriptor
Suspension PVC, not mixed with any other substance	1

Please review the draft PCN structure for this investigation shown in the table above. Please include any comments on the PCN structure in the box provided.

No comments, appropriate adjustments can be made as necessary.

D4 – Economic Interest Test

It is a requirement of the investigation to conduct an Economic Interest Test (EIT). The aim of the EIT is to determine whether the implementation of the proposed trade remedy measure is in the wider economic interest of the UK. To obtain a complete picture of the UK market, please help by providing details of your UK suppliers (upstream companies providing inputs) and UK customers (downstream companies buying your like goods). Please confirm in the final column if we can contact these companies.



	Company name	Company location (city, country)	Company contact information (email/telephone)	Relationship	Can we contact? Yes/No
1	[redacted – commercially sensitive information – as a summary, names of UK customers with personal contact details]				
2					
3					
4					

D5 – Anything else

Please use the box below to provide information about anything else you consider relevant to this investigation:

Now you have reached the end of this questionnaire please ensure that you have prepared a confidential and non-confidential version and indicated the status of each within the header. The non-confidential version should redact personal contact information, names, signatures, and exact sales quotes. Redacted figures should be replaced with a range where possible. Please return both versions to the TRA using the Trade Remedies Service (trade-remedies.service.gov.uk).