

Join our webinars on GHG Emissions of U.S. Steel and Aluminum Products Factfinding Survey – April 23 @ 11:00 AM (steel) and April 26 @ 11:00 AM (aluminum)

The U.S. International Trade Commission (Commission or USITC) will be hosting a webinar to explain the survey that will be distributed in conjunction with the Commission’s factfinding investigation [*Greenhouse Gas Emissions Intensities of the U.S. Steel and Aluminum Industries at the Product Level*](#), Investigation No. 332-598, and to answer any questions from survey respondents.

The Commission investigation was requested by the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) in order to inform discussions regarding the Global Arrangement on Sustainable Steel and Aluminum. As part of its investigation, the Commission will conduct a survey by issuing questionnaires to all facilities, whether U.S. or foreign owned, that produced [covered steel and aluminum products](#) (“covered products”) in the United States in 2022. This questionnaire will collect data on the production of these covered products and information that will be used to calculate their associated greenhouse gas emissions. Data from questionnaire responses, in combination with other information, will then be used to produce national-level estimates of emissions intensities of covered products at the product category level. More information on the investigation and this survey is available on the Commission’s website here: <https://www.usitc.gov/saemissions>.

WHEN:

For steel producers: Tuesday, April 23, 2024, beginning at 11:00 AM ET.

WebEx link: <https://usitc.webex.com/usitc/j.php?MTID=mc526d5f1c8b0781ceaeb73a1c1fad033>

For aluminum producers: Friday, April 26, 2024, beginning at 11:00 AM ET.

WebEx link: <https://usitc.webex.com/usitc/j.php?MTID=md1ecba53daf919664f998599f8b3cee7>

HOW TO VIEW/PARTICIPATE: The webinar will be held via [WebEx](#) video conference platform.

WHY: The investigation, *Greenhouse Gas Emissions Intensities of the U.S. Steel and Aluminum Industries at the Product Level*, Inv. No. 332-598, was requested by the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) in a [letter](#) received on June 5, 2023.

WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE: Webinars are open to the public, but survey responses are only required from companies with facilities producing [covered steel and aluminum products](#) in the United States in 2022. The Commission has already individually contacted such companies with more details and login credentials for the survey questionnaire – if you believe your company fits this description but has not yet received this information from the Commission, please contact sa.emissions@usitc.gov.

COMMISSION SURVEYS (QUESTIONNAIRES): Questionnaires are one of the primary fact-gathering tools used in certain USITC investigations. The USITC has used questionnaires for decades, but for a first-time recipient, they sometimes can seem daunting or confusing. Questionnaires are a key means of gathering information from primary sources, especially in situations where little or no established information exists. As an independent agency, the Commission is able to collect, analyze, and report on

data and information objectively. It is vitally important that USITC analysts attain a full view of what is going on within an industry in order to provide policymakers with a complete and reliable report.

This survey will collect data in two parts. Completion of the company-level questionnaire (which went live on April 8, 2024) is part one of the two-part survey. The company-level questionnaire asks recipients for contact information for each facility the company owns that produced covered products in 2022. A PDF copy of the company-level questionnaire for this survey is available for download here: [company-level questionnaire](#).

Facility contacts identified in the company-level questionnaire will receive access to the facility-level questionnaire to complete the second part of the survey. The facility-level questionnaire collects data on the inputs, energy use, and output totals of production of covered products. The Commission will use this data from questionnaire responses, in combination with other sources, to produce national-level estimates of emissions intensities of covered products at the product category level. A PDF copy of the facility-level questionnaire for this survey is available for download here: [facility-level – aluminum and steel combined](#). **The data collection period for this survey closes on June 8, 2024.**

Unless such information is available to the public, completed questionnaires submitted to the Commission are treated as “confidential business information.” Recipients should know that this is an official designation that affords the information specific legal protection from unauthorized disclosure. The Commission maintains and enforces stringent rules regarding who can see the information submitted in questionnaires. In addition, the Commission does not publish information in a manner that will reveal the individual operations of any company or facility.

BACKGROUND: USITC general factfinding investigations, such as this one, cover matters related to tariffs or trade and are generally conducted under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 at the request of the U.S. Trade Representative, the House Committee on Ways and Means, or the Senate Committee on Finance. The resulting reports convey the Commission’s objective findings and independent analysis on the subjects investigated. The Commission makes no recommendations on policy or other matters in its general factfinding reports.

QUESTIONS: Please contact the GHG Emissions Project Team Leaders:

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