

U.S. imports of *Subject Merchandise* from the *Subject Country* accounted for by your firm's(s') imports;

(b) the quantity and value (f.o.b. U.S. port, including antidumping and/or countervailing duties) of U.S. commercial shipments of *Subject Merchandise* imported from the *Subject Country*; and

(c) the quantity and value (f.o.b. U.S. port, including antidumping and/or countervailing duties) of U.S. internal consumption/company transfers of *Subject Merchandise* imported from the *Subject Country*.

(11) If you are a producer, an exporter, or a trade/business association of producers or exporters of the *Subject Merchandise* in the *Subject Country*, provide the following information on your firm's(s') operations on that product during calendar year 2025 (report quantity data in number of twist ties and value data in U.S. dollars, landed and duty-paid at the U.S. port but not including antidumping and/or countervailing duties). If you are a trade/business association, provide the information, on an aggregate basis, for the firms which are members of your association.

(a) Production (quantity) and, if known, an estimate of the percentage of total production of *Subject Merchandise* in the *Subject Country* accounted for by your firm's(s') production;

(b) Capacity (quantity) of your firm(s) to produce the *Subject Merchandise* in the *Subject Country* (that is, the level of production that your establishment(s) could reasonably have expected to attain during the year, assuming normal operating conditions (using equipment and machinery in place and ready to operate), normal operating levels (hours per week/weeks per year), time for downtime, maintenance, repair, and cleanup, and a typical or representative product mix); and

(c) the quantity and value of your firm's(s') exports to the United States of *Subject Merchandise* and, if known, an estimate of the percentage of total exports to the United States of *Subject Merchandise* from the *Subject Country* accounted for by your firm's(s') exports.

(12) Identify significant changes, if any, in the supply and demand conditions or business cycle for the *Domestic Like Product* that have occurred in the United States or in the market for the *Subject Merchandise* in the *Subject Country* since the *Order Date*, and significant changes, if any, that are likely to occur within a reasonably foreseeable time. Supply conditions to consider include technology; production methods; development efforts; ability to increase

production (including the shift of production facilities used for other products and the use, cost, or availability of major inputs into production); and factors related to the ability to shift supply among different national markets (including barriers to importation in foreign markets or changes in market demand abroad). Demand conditions to consider include end uses and applications; the existence and availability of substitute products; and the level of competition among the *Domestic Like Product* produced in the United States, *Subject Merchandise* produced in the *Subject Country*, and such merchandise from other countries.

(13) (OPTIONAL) A statement of whether you agree with the above definitions of the *Domestic Like Product* and *Domestic Industry*; if you disagree with either or both of these definitions, please explain why and provide alternative definitions.

Authority: This proceeding is being conducted under authority of Title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to § 207.61 of the Commission's rules.

By order of the Commission.

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Lisa Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 332-610]

Impact on U.S. Industry of China's State Support and Pricing Practices in the Biotechnology Sector

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice of investigation and scheduling of a public hearing.

SUMMARY: The U.S. International Trade Commission has self-instituted Investigation No. 332-610, *Impact on U.S. Industry of China's State Support and Pricing Practices in the Biotechnology Sector*, to produce a report as directed by the U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations reviewing the extent to which Chinese state support and pricing practices in the biotechnology sector may be affecting market share and competitiveness of the U.S. industry.

DATES:

May 11, 2026: Deadline for filing requests to appear at the public hearing.

May 14, 2026: Deadline for filing prehearing briefs and statements.

May 20, 2026: Deadline for filing electronic copies of hearing oral statements.

May 27-28, 2026: Public hearing.

June 11, 2026: Deadline for filing posthearing briefs.

July 17, 2026: Deadline for filing all other written submissions.

January 22, 2027: Anticipated date for publication of the report.

ADDRESSES: All Commission offices, including the Commission's hearing rooms, are located in the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. All written submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Project Leader Nathan Lotze (202-205-3231 or nathan.lotze@usitc.gov) or Deputy Project Leaders Lin Jones (202-205-3246 or lin.jones@usitc.gov) and Grace Robinson (202-205-3711 or grace.robinson@usitc.gov) for information specific to this investigation. For information on the legal aspects of this investigation, contact Brian Allen (202-205-3034 or brian.allen@usitc.gov) of the Commission's Office of the General Counsel. The media should contact Claire Huber, Office of External Relations (202-205-1819 or claire.huber@usitc.gov). Hearing-impaired individuals may obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal at 202-205-1810. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its website (<https://www.usitc.gov>). Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Commerce, Justice, Science; Energy and Water Development; and Interior and Environment Appropriations Act, 2026 (the Act), signed by the President on January 23, 2026, provides funding for the Commission for fiscal year 2026. Public Law 119-74. A report of the Senate Committee on Appropriations (Committee) accompanying the Act contains language directing the Commission to review the extent to which Chinese state support and pricing practices in the biotechnology sector may be affecting U.S. market share and competitiveness. The Committee in its

report states that the Commission report in this investigation (1) should include detailed information, to the extent practicable, on the degree of subsidization and market overcapacity by Chinese biotechnology firms and its impact on U.S. industry, including genomic sequencing, synthetic biology, and active pharmaceutical ingredient manufacturing; (2) should examine the extent to which Chinese state support and pricing practices may be affecting U.S. market share and competitiveness in biotechnology-related products and services; and (3) should be transmitted to the House of Representatives and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 12 months of the Act's enactment. Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, S. Rept. No. 119-44, at 174-75 (2025); 172 Cong. Rec. H255 (daily ed. Jan. 8, 2026).

The Commission is self-instituting this investigation under section 332(b) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 1332(b)) to produce a report containing information and analysis as detailed above and will publish its report no later than January 22, 2027.

Public hearing: A public hearing in connection with this investigation will be held beginning at 9:30 a.m., May 27, 2026, and continuing, if necessary, on May 28, 2026, in the Main Hearing Room of the U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. The hearing can also be accessed remotely using the WebEx videoconference platform. A link to the hearing will be posted on the Commission's website at <https://www.usitc.gov/calendarpad/calendar.html>.

Requests to appear at the hearing should be filed with the Secretary to the Commission no later than 5:15 p.m., May 11, 2026, in accordance with the requirements in the "Written Submissions" section below. Any requests to appear as a witness via videoconference must be included with your request to appear. Requests to appear as a witness via videoconference must include a statement explaining why the witness cannot appear in person; the Chair, or other person designated to conduct the investigation, may at their discretion for good cause shown, grant such requests. Requests to appear as a witness via videoconference due to illness or a positive COVID-19 test result may be submitted by 3 p.m. the business day prior to the hearing.

All prehearing briefs and statements should be filed no later than 5:15 p.m., May 14, 2026. To facilitate the hearing, including the preparation of an accurate written public transcript of the hearing,

a written copy of oral testimony to be presented at the hearing must be submitted to the Commission electronically no later than noon, May 20, 2026. All posthearing briefs and statements should be filed no later than 5:15 p.m., June 11, 2026. Posthearing briefs and statements should address matters raised at the hearing. For a description of the different types of written briefs and statements, see the "Definitions" section below.

In the event that, as of the close of business on May 11, 2026, no witnesses are scheduled to appear at the hearing, the hearing will be canceled. Any person interested in attending the hearing as an observer or nonparticipant should check the Commission website as indicated above for information concerning whether the hearing will be held.

Written submissions: In lieu of or in addition to participating in the hearing, interested persons are invited to file written submissions concerning this investigation. All written submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, and should be received no later than 5:15 p.m., July 17, 2026. All written submissions must conform to the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* (19 CFR 201.8). Filings must be made through the Commission's Electronic Document Information System (EDIS, <https://edis.usitc.gov>). Persons with questions regarding electronic filing should contact the Office of the Secretary, Docket Services Division (202-205-1802), email EDIS3help@usitc.gov, or consult the Commission's *Handbook on Filing Procedures*.

Definitions of types of documents that may be filed; Requirements: In addition to requests to appear at the hearing, this notice provides for the possible filing of four types of documents: prehearing briefs, hearing oral statements, posthearing briefs, and other written submissions.

(1) *Prehearing briefs* refers to written materials relevant to the investigation and submitted in advance of the hearing, and includes written views on matters that are the subject of the investigation, supporting materials, and any other written materials that you consider will help the Commission in understanding your views. You should file a prehearing brief particularly if you plan to testify at the hearing on behalf of an industry group, company, or other organization, and wish to provide detailed views or information that will support or supplement your testimony.

(2) *Hearing oral statements* refers to the actual oral statement that you intend

to present at the hearing. Do not include any confidential business information (CBI) in that statement. If you plan to testify, you must file a written copy of your oral statement by the date specified in this notice. This statement will allow Commissioners to understand your position in advance of the hearing and will also assist the court reporter in preparing an accurate transcript of the hearing (e.g., names spelled correctly).

(3) *Posthearing briefs* refers to submissions filed after the hearing by persons who appeared at the hearing. Such briefs: (a) should be limited to matters that arose during the hearing; (b) should respond to any Commissioner and staff questions addressed to you at the hearing; (c) should clarify, amplify, or correct any statements you made at the hearing; and (d) may, at your option, address or rebut statements made by other participants in the hearing.

(4) *Other written submissions* refers to any other written submissions that interested persons wish to make, regardless of whether they appeared at the hearing, and may include new information or updates of information previously provided.

In accordance with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*, the document must identify on its cover (1) the investigation number and title and the type of document filed (i.e., prehearing brief, hearing oral statement of (name), posthearing brief, or written submission); (2) the name and signature of the person filing it; (3) the name of the organization that the submission is filed on behalf of; and (4) whether it contains CBI. If it contains CBI, it must comply with the marking and other requirements set out below in this notice relating to CBI. Submitters of written documents (other than hearing oral statements) are encouraged to include a short summary of their position or interest at the beginning of the document, and a table of contents when the document addresses multiple issues.

Confidential business information: Any submissions that contain CBI must also conform to the requirements of section 201.6 of the Commission's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* (19 CFR 201.6). Section 201.6 of the rules requires that the cover of the document and the individual pages be clearly marked as to whether they are the "confidential" or "nonconfidential" version, and that the CBI is clearly identified by means of brackets. All written submissions, except for CBI, will be made available for inspection by interested persons.

The Commission will not include any CBI in its report. However, all information, including CBI, submitted in this investigation may be disclosed to and used by: (i) the Commission, its employees and offices, and contract personnel (a) for developing or maintaining the records of this or a related proceeding, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, reviews, and evaluations relating to the programs, personnel, and operations of the Commission, including under 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3; or (ii) U.S. government employees and contract personnel for cybersecurity purposes. The Commission will not otherwise disclose any CBI in a way that would reveal the operations of the firm supplying the information.

Summaries of views of interested persons: Interested persons wishing to have a summary of their views included in the report should include a summary with a written submission on or before July 17, 2026, and should mark the summary as having been provided for that purpose. The summary should be clearly marked as “summary for inclusion in the report” at the top of the page. The summary may not exceed 500 words and should not include any CBI. The summary will be published as provided if it meets these requirements and is germane to the subject matter of the investigation. The Commission will list the name of the organization furnishing the summary and will include a link where the written submission can be found.

By order of the Commission.

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Lisa Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. 731–TA–1014 and 1016 (Fourth Review)]

Polyvinyl Alcohol From China and Japan; Institution of Five-Year Reviews

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice that it has instituted reviews pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, to determine whether revocation of the antidumping duty orders on polyvinyl alcohol from China and Japan would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material

injury. Pursuant to the Act, interested parties are requested to respond to this notice by submitting the information specified below to the Commission.

DATES: Instituted March 2, 2026. To be assured of consideration, the deadline for responses is April 1, 2026. Comments on the adequacy of responses may be filed with the Commission by May 8, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rachel Devenney (202–205–3172), Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on 202–205–1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202–205–2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (<https://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for this proceeding may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—On July 2, 2003, the Department of Commerce (“Commerce”) issued an antidumping duty order on imports of polyvinyl alcohol from Japan (68 FR 39518). On October 1, 2003, Commerce issued an antidumping duty order on imports of polyvinyl alcohol from China (68 FR 56620). Commerce issued a continuation of the antidumping duty orders on imports of polyvinyl alcohol from China and Japan following Commerce’s and the Commission’s first five-year reviews, effective April 13, 2009 (74 FR 16834), second five-year reviews, effective May 27, 2015 (80 FR 30208), and third five-year reviews, effective April 9, 2021 (86 FR 18507). The Commission is now conducting fourth reviews pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1675(c)), to determine whether revocation of the orders would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to the domestic industry within a reasonably foreseeable time. Provisions concerning the conduct of this proceeding may be found in the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure at 19 CFR part 201, subparts A and B, and 19 CFR part 207, subparts A and F. The Commission will assess the adequacy of interested party responses to this notice of institution to determine whether to conduct full or expedited reviews. The Commission’s determinations in any expedited reviews will be based on the

facts available, which may include information provided in response to this notice.

Definitions.—The following definitions apply to these reviews:

(1) *Subject Merchandise* is the class or kind of merchandise that is within the scope of the five-year reviews, as defined by Commerce.

(2) The *Subject Countries* in these reviews are China and Japan.

(3) The *Domestic Like Product* is the domestically produced product or products which are like, or in the absence of like, most similar in characteristics and uses with, the *Subject Merchandise*. In its original determinations and its full first, expedited second, and full third five-year review determinations, the Commission defined the *Domestic Like Product* as all domestically produced polyvinyl alcohol meeting the specifications stated in Commerce’s scope definition.

(4) The *Domestic Industry* is the U.S. producers as a whole of the *Domestic Like Product*, or those producers whose collective output of the *Domestic Like Product* constitutes a major proportion of the total domestic production of the product. In its original determinations and its full first, expedited second, and full third five-year review determinations, the Commission defined the *Domestic Industry* as all domestic producers of polyvinyl alcohol.

(5) An *Importer* is any person or firm engaged, either directly or through a parent company or subsidiary, in importing the *Subject Merchandise* into the United States from a foreign manufacturer or through its selling agent.

Participation in the proceeding and public service list.—Persons, including industrial users of the *Subject Merchandise* and, if the merchandise is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations, wishing to participate in the proceeding as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in § 201.11(b)(4) of the Commission’s rules, no later than 21 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. The Secretary will maintain a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the proceeding.

Former Commission employees who are seeking to appear in Commission five-year reviews are advised that they may appear in a review even if they participated personally and substantially in the corresponding underlying original investigation or an