

Written Comments of  
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Regarding Miscellaneous Duty Suspension Bills

DyStar L.P. sells over 700 dyes and pigments to the U.S. textile industry. DyStar has selected 9 of these dyes as candidates for temporary duty suspensions based on the application advantages they offer to the dyer. These dyes represent the most advanced dyeing technology in that they are easy for the dyer to apply and achieve consistent shades. They also have higher fixation rates and better fastness properties.

For the dyer, the easy application means savings in time and energy. Higher fixation rates mean reductions in waste water.

If duties are suspended on these products, DyStar believes the improved cost position will enable us to expand their volume by replacing cheaper, poorer-performing dyes with these advanced dyes.

The U.S. textile industry is competing with many global competitors who have access to foreign sources of dyes without tariffs. DyStar would like to be able to offer the U.S. manufacturers these products without the additional costs of duty. As a result, DyStar requests that H.R. 4375, H.R. 4376, H.R. 4377, H.R. 4378, H.R. 4381, H.R. 4385, H.R. 4389, H.R. 4390, and H.R. 4391 (all nine of which were introduced by Representative Sue Myrick on April 16, 2002) be included in the miscellaneous trade package.

DyStar supports the inclusion of all nine of these bills in the miscellaneous trade package because they each are part of a group of dyes from DyStar that have been engineered with properties that provide the user with the highest level of “right the first time performance.” This saves the U.S. textile dyer time and energy, and reduces the effluent load.

The following pages include pertinent information on each product engineered by DyStar that are candidates for duty suspension this year. Thank you for your consideration of these products, and we are prepared to answer any questions you may have regarding these products.

By Mrs. MYRICK:

**H.R. 4375.** A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Levafix Golden Yellow E-G; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

*Chemical Name:* \_1H-Pyrazole-3-carboxylic acid, 4-[[4-[[[(2,3-dichloro-6-quinoxaliny)carbonyl]amino]-2- sulfophenyl]azo]-4,5-dihydro-5-oxo-1-(4-sulfophenyl)-, trisodium salt

*Generic Name:* C.I. Reactive Yellow 27

*Description of the chemical and its uses:* Reactive dyestuff for the dyeing of cotton and other cellulosic fibers.

*Chemical Abstract (CAS) Number:* 75199-00-7

*Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) Number:* 3204.16.2000

*Current Duty Rate:* 6.5%

*Landed Value:* \$12.63/lb.

*Duty Paid (figure for latest year available):* 2001: \$56,300

*DyStar Imports (pounds/tons per year for the previous five years):* 1995: 55,100 lbs. (25 t); 1996: 107,256 lbs. (48.7 t); 1997: 143,464 lbs. (65 t); 1998: 80,479 (36.6 t); 1999: 95,316 (43 t); 2000: 114,000 (51.7 t); 2001: 76,000 lbs. (34.5 t)

*Forecast for the next three years:* 68,000 / 30.8 t per year

*Total current year imports (if available):* 2001 = 76,000 lbs./34.4 t

*Name(s) of other importers (if known):* None

*Countries of Origin:* Germany

*Competitive Situation (is the chemical produced in the U.S.):* No

By Mrs. MYRICK:

**H.R. 4376.** A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Levafix Blue CA/Remazol Blue CA; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

*Chemical Name:* Cuprate(4-),[2-[[3-[[substituted]-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]amino]-2-hydroxy-5-sulfophenyl](substituted)azo], sodium salt

*Generic Name:* Copper complex reactive blue colorant

*Description of the chemical and its uses:* Reactive dyestuff for the dyeing of  
cotton and other cellulosic fibers.

*Chemical Abstract (CAS) Number:* 156830-72-7 (Accn 158282)

*Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) Number:* 3204.16.3000

*Current Duty Rate:* 8.2%

*Landed Value:* \$9.97/lb.

*Duty Paid (figure for latest year available):* 2001: \$49,870

*DyStar Imports (pounds/tons per year for the previous five years):* combined 1998 = 550 lbs./ 0.25 T 1999 = 35,225 lbs./ 15.1T; 2000 = 86,897 lbs./39.5; 2001 = 61,000 /27.6 tons

*Forecast for the next three years:* 70,000 lbs./ 31.7 T per year

*Total current year imports (if available):*

*Name(s) of other importers (if known):* None

*Countries of Origin:* Germany

*Competitive Situation (is the chemical produced in the U.S.?)* No

By Mrs. MYRICK:

**H.R. 4377.** A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Remazol Yellow RR Gran; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

*Chemical Name:* Benzenesulfonicacid, 2-amino-4-(cyanoamino)-6-[(3-sulfophenyl)amino]-1,3,5-triazin- 2-yl]amino]-5-[[4-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl]sulfonyl]phenyl]azo]-, lithium/sodium salt

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*Generic Name:* Reactive Yellow Dye

*Description of the chemical and its uses:* Reactive dyestuff for the dyeing of  
cotton and other cellulosic fibers.

*Chemical Abstract (CAS) Number:* 189574-45-6 (accn 167501)

*Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) Number:* 3204.16.3000

*Current Duty Rate:* 8.2%

*Landed Value:* \$4.53/lb.

*Duty Paid (figure for latest year available):* 2001: \$46,286

*DyStar Imports (pounds/tons per year for the previous five years):* 1997: 20,326 lbs. (9.2 t); 1998: 79,404 (36 t); 1999: 141,651 (64.4t); 2000: 154,707 (70.3t); 2001: 142,253 (64.7t)

*Forecast for the next three years:* 155,000 / 70.4 t per year

*Total current year imports (if available):* \_\_\_\_\_

*Name(s) of other importers (if known):* None

*Countries of Origin:* Germany

*Competitive Situation (is the chemical produced in the U.S.?)* No

By Mrs. MYRICK:

**H.R. 4378.** A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Indanthren Blue CLF; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

*Chemical Name:* 9,10-Anthracenedione, 1,1'-[(6-phenyl-1,3,5-triazine-2,4-diyl)diimino]bis[3-acetyl-4-amino-

*Generic Name:* C.I. Vat Blue 66

*Description of the chemical and its uses:* Vat dyestuff used in the dyeing of cotton and viscose fibers

*Chemical Abstract (CAS) Number:* 32220-82-9

*Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) Number:* 3204.15.3000

*Current Duty Rate:* 6.5%

*Landed Value:* \$22.40/lb for Ind. Blue CLF// \$10.92/lb for Ind. Blue T-CLF liq

*Duty Paid (figure for latest year available):* Ind. Blue CLF: 2001=\$11,475 2000=\$11,430 1999=\$8,760//Ind. Blue T-CLF liq: 2001=\$47,985 2000=\$43,050 1999=\$66,035

*DyStar Imports (pounds/tons per year for the previous five years):* Ind. Blue CLF: 2001=8,394 lbs, 2000=8,363 lbs, 1999= 6,408 lbs, 1998= 8,300 lbs Ind. Blue T-CLF liq: 2001=71,620 lbs, 2000=64,253 lbs, 1999=98,560 lbs, 1998 = 110,500 lbs

*Forecast for the next three years:* Ind Blue CLF: 4.0 metric tons/year Ind. Blue T-CLF liq : 35 metric tons/year

*Total current year imports (if available):* Not Available

*Name(s) of other importers (if known):* None – Unique chemistry

*Countries of Origin:* Germany

*Competitive Situation (is the chemical produced in the U.S.?)* No

By Mrs. MYRICK:

**H.R. 4381.** A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Indanthren Yellow F3GC; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

*Chemical Name:* [1,1'-Biphenyl]-4-carboxamide, 4',4''-azobis[N-(9,10-dihydro-9,10-dioxo-1-anthracenyl)]

*Generic Name:* C.I. Vat Yellow 33

*Description of the chemical and its uses:* Vat dyestuff used in the  
dyeing of cotton and viscose fibers

*Chemical Abstract (CAS) Number:* 12227-50-8

*Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) Number:* 3204.15.8000

*Current Duty Rate:* 9.2%

*Landed Value:* \$26.20/lb

*Duty Paid (figure for latest year available):* 2001=\$53,700

*DyStar Imports (pounds/tons per year for the previous five years):* 2001=28,500, 2000=25,571 lbs, 1999=46,157 lbs, 1998 = 23,213 lbs

*Forecast for the next three years:* 44,900 lbs/20.4 metric tons per year

*Total current year imports (if available):* \_\_\_\_\_

*Name(s) of other importers (if known):* Sunbelt, Campbell Colors, Ciba, Clariant, Yorkshire, BF Goodrich

*Countries of Origin:* Germany

*Competitive Situation (is the chemical produced in the U.S.?)* No

By Mrs. MYRICK:

**H.R. 4385.** A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Levafix Brilliant Red E-6BA; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

*Chemical Name:* 2,7-Naphthalenedisulfonic acid, 5-(benzoylamino)-3-[[5-[[5-(5-chloro-2,6-difluoro-4-pyrimidinyl)amino]methyl]-1-sulfo-2-naphthalenyl]azo]-4-hydroxy-, lithium sodium salt

*Generic Name:* C.I. Reactive Red 159

*Description of the chemical and its uses:* Reactive dyestuff for the dyeing of  
cotton and other cellulosic fibers.

*Chemical Abstract (CAS) Number:* 83400-12-8

*Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) Number:* 3204.16.2000

*Current Duty Rate:* 6.5%

*Landed Value:* \$9.06 respectively

*Duty Paid (figure for latest year available):* \$ 57,079 in 2001

*DyStar Imports (pounds/tons per year for the previous five years):* combined 1995: 305,253 lbs. (139 t); 1996: 322,545 lbs. (147 t); 1997: 331,264 lbs. (150 t); 1998: 267,026 (121 t); 1999: 195,802 (89t); 2000: 185,991 lbs. (84.5t); 2001: 126,826 lbs. (58t)

*Forecast for the next three years:* 180,000 / 82 t per year

*Total current year imports (if available):* 2000 = 185,991 lbs./84.5 t

*Name(s) of other importers (if known):* Clariant

*Countries of Origin:* Germany

*Competitive Situation (is the chemical produced in the U.S.?)* No

By Mrs. MYRICK:

**H.R. 4389.** A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Remazol Br. Blue BB 133%; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

*Chemical Name:* Cuprate(4-), [4,5-dihydro-4-[[8-hydroxy-7-[[2-hydroxy-5-methoxy-4-[[2-(sulfooxy)ethyl]sulfonyl]phenyl]azo]-6-sulfo-2-naphthalenyl]azo]-5-oxo-1-(4-sulfophenyl)-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxylato(6-)]-, sodium

*Generic Name:* C.I. Reactive Blue 220

*Description of the chemical and its uses:* Reactive dyestuff for the dyeing of  
cotton and other cellulosic fibers.

*Chemical Abstract (CAS) Number:* 90341-71-2

*Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) Number:* 3204.16.3000

*Current Duty Rate:* 8.2%

*Landed Value:* \$13.19/lb.

*Duty Paid (figure for latest year available):* 2001: \$ 132,994

*DyStar Imports (pounds/tons per year for the previous five years):* 1997: 190,767 lbs. (86.7 t); 1998: 151,057 (68.7 t); 1999: 174,406 (79.3t); 2000: 125,955 (57.3t); 2001: 90,775 lbs. (41.3t)

*Forecast for the next three years:* 100,000 / 45.5 t per year

*Total current year imports (if available):*

*Name(s) of other importers (if known):* Everlight USA

*Countries of Origin:* Germany

*Competitive Situation (is the chemical produced in the U.S.?)* No



By Mrs. MYRICK:

**H.R. 4390.** A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Fast Navy Salt RA; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

*Chemical Name:* Benzenediazonium, 4-[(2,6-dichloro-4-nitrophenyl)azo]-2,5-dimethoxy-, (T-4)-tetrachlorozincate(2-) (2:1)

*Generic Name:* Azoic Salt 51

*Description of the chemical and its uses:* Coupling agent for use with

Naphthol dyes for the dyeing of cellulosic fibers

*Chemical Abstract (CAS) Number:* 63224-47-5

*Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) Number:* 2927.00.3000

*Current Duty Rate:* 7.7%

*Landed Value:* \$11.87/lb

*Duty Paid (figure for latest year available):* 2001: \$98,961

*DyStar Imports (pounds/tons per year for the previous five years):* \_\_\_\_\_

1998=191,400 lbs/87.0 metric tons; 1999=205,258 lbs/93.3 metric tons; 2000=180,178 lbs./82t; 2001: 115280/52t.

*Forecast for the next three years:* 63.6 metric tons/year

*Total current year imports (if available):* \_\_\_\_\_

*Name(s) of other importers (if known):* \_\_\_\_\_

*Countries of Origin:* Switzerland

*Competitive Situation (is the chemical produced in the U.S.?)* No

By Mrs. MYRICK:

**H.R. 4391.** A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Levafix Royal Blue E-FR; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

*Chemical Name:* \_\_\_\_\_ Ethanol,2,2'-[[6,13-dichloro-3,10-bis[[2(sulfooxy)ethyl]amino]triphenodioxazinediyl]bis(sulfonyl)]bis-, bis(hydrogen sulfate) (ester), potassium sodium salt \_\_\_\_\_

*Generic Name:* \_\_\_\_\_ C.I. Reactive Blue 224 \_\_\_\_\_

*Description of the chemical and its uses:* \_\_\_\_\_ Reactive dyestuff for the dyeing of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ cotton and other cellulosic fibers. \_\_\_\_\_

*Chemical Abstract (CAS) Number:* \_\_\_\_\_ 108692-09-7 \_\_\_\_\_

*Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) Number:* \_\_\_\_\_ 3204.16.3000 \_\_\_\_\_

*Current Duty Rate:* \_\_\_\_\_ 8.2% \_\_\_\_\_

*Landed Value:* \_\_\_\_\_ \$11.65/lb. \_\_\_\_\_

*Duty Paid (figure for latest year available):* \_\_\_\_\_ 2001: \$194,000 \_\_\_\_\_

*DyStar Imports (pounds/tons per year for the previous five years):* 1995: 342,000 lbs. (155 t); 1996: 358,959 lbs. (163 t); 1997: 388,763 lbs. (177 t); 1998: 338,732 (154 t); 1999: 310,710(141t); 2000: 293,615 lbs./133 t; 2001: 211,000/95.7 t

*Forecast for the next three years:* \_\_\_\_\_ 175,000 / 79 t per year \_\_\_\_\_

*Total current year imports (if available):* \_\_\_\_\_ 2001 = 211,000 lbs./95.7 t \_\_\_\_\_

*Name(s) of other importers (if known):* \_\_\_\_\_ None \_\_\_\_\_

*Countries of Origin:* \_\_\_\_\_ Germany \_\_\_\_\_

*Competitive Situation (is the chemical produced in the U.S.?)* \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_