

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 110th Congress¹**

[Date approved: March 20, 2008]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 4345 (Mr. Tim Murphy of Pennsylvania).

Proponent name,³ location: LANXESS Corporation, Pittsburgh, PA.

Other bills on product (110th Congress only): None.

Nature of bill: Extension of temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2011.

Retroactive effect: None.

Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):

Tetraethylammonium perfluorooctanesulfonate (CAS No. 56773-42-3) (provided for in subheading 2923.90.00).

Check one: Same as that in bill as introduced.
 Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section).

Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

The product, imported from Germany, is a synthetic organic chemical fluorosurfactant that is used as a mist suppressant in the chrome plating industry and in the photographic industry for dental and x-ray films.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Eric Land (202-205-3349); Tariff Affairs contact: David G. Michels (202-205-3440).

² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://www.usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/.

³ The sponsor/proponent did not identify any additional beneficiaries of this bill.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: 2923.90.00					
 	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Col. 1-General rate of duty (AVE)	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000
Customs revenue loss 1/	\$0	\$31,000	\$31,000	\$31,000	\$31,000

1/ There is an existing duty suspension under HTS heading 9902.02.15 that expires on December 31, 2009. Therefore, there will be no customs revenue loss related to this bill for 2009.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: U.S. industry estimates.

Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
LANXESS Corporation (Proponent) Steve Ziehm, Email: sziehm@ibgc.com	01/7/2008	No	No	No
BASF Gregory Thies Email: gregory.thies@basf.com	01/17/2008	No	No	No
CIBA Specialty Chemicals Robert Hurley Email: rhurley@theaccordgroup.com	01/17/2008	No	No	No
Clariant Corporation Andrew Zamoyski, Email: az@azamoyski.com	01/17/2008	No	No	No
DuPont Helen McMahon Email: Helen.C.McMahon@USA.dupont.com	01/17/2008	No	No	No

Technical comments:⁴

None.

⁴ The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4345

To extend the suspension of duty on Bayowet FT-248.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 11, 2007

Mr. TIM MURPHY of Pennsylvania introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To extend the suspension of duty on Bayowet FT-248.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. BAYOWET FT-248.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.02.15 of the Har-
5 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to
6 Tetraethylammonium perfluorooctanesulfonate) is amended
7 by striking the date in the effective period column and
8 inserting “12/31/2011”.

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
10 subsection (a) applies with respect to goods entered, or

- 1 withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after
- 2 the 15th day after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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