# MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress <sup>1</sup>

[Date approved: May 21, 2008]<sup>2</sup>

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 4799 (Mr. Howard Coble of North Carolina).

**Proponent name**,<sup>3</sup> **location:** Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc., Greensboro, NC.

Other bills on product (110<sup>th</sup> 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)):

Mixtures of (R)-2-[(2,6-dimethylphenylmethoxy) acetylamino] propionic acid, methyl ester (mefenoxam) (CAS No. 70630–17–0), 4-(2,2-difluoro-1,3-benzodioxol-4-yl)-1H-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile (fludioxonil) (CAS No. 131341–86–1) and 2-cyano-2-methoxyimino-N-(ethylcarbamoyl)acetamide (cymoxanil) (CAS No. 57966–95–7) with application adjuvants (the foregoing mixtures provided for in subheading 3808.92.15).

**Check one**:  $\underline{X}$  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 subject products are synthetic organic chemicals that are used as a seed treatment fungicide for control of diseases such as damping-off and seed rot on peas that are exported. The proponent imports this product from France.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at <u>http://www.usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\_doc/bill\_reports/</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The sponsor/proponent did not identify any additional beneficiaries of this bill.

#### **Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

HTS subheading: <u>3808.92.15</u>											
$\searrow$	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013						
Col. 1-General rate of duty	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%						
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$186,000	\$186,000	\$186,000	\$186,000	\$186,000						
Customs revenue loss 1/	\$0	\$12,090	\$12,090	\$12,090	\$12,090						

<u>1/</u> There is an existing duty suspension under HTS heading 9902.02.04 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)			
Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. (Proponent) Angus Kelly, Fax: 336-632-6084	02/18/2008	No	No	No	
Arkema Inc. (Atofina) Charles Kitchen, Fax: 216-419-7075	02/18/2008	No	No	No	
BASF Corp. Greg Thies, Fax: 703-255-7142	02/18/2008	No	No	No	
Bayer CropScience William Hensley, 202-756-3781 Jean Reimers, 202-756-3779	02/18/2008	No	No	No	
Chemtura Corporation Matt Mattingley, Fax: 202-463-8498	02/18/2008	No	No	No	
CropLife America Isi Siddiqui, Fax: 202-463-0474	02/18/2008	No	No	No	
Dow AgroSciences Max Turnipseed, Fax: 225-338-0310 Lisa Schroeter, Fax: 202-429-3467	02/18/2008	No	No	No	
DuPont Helen McMahon, Fax: 302-355-2994 Elaine Olsen, Fax: 302-774-1398	02/18/2008	No	No	No	

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		(Yes/No)			
FMC Corp. Jerry Prout, Fax: 202-956-5235 Steve Ziehm, 202-872-8181	02/18/2008	No	No	No	
Monsanto Corp. Michael Parris, Fax: 202-789-1867	02/18/2008	No	No	No	
Nufarm Limited Joel R. Junker, Fax: 206-621-8220	02/18/2008	No	No	No	
Valent USA Robin Demouth, Fax: 925-256-2776	02/18/2008	No	No	No	

### **Technical comments:**<sup>4</sup>

None.

 $<sup>\</sup>overline{}^{4}$  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. 4799

To extend the suspension of duty on mixtures of mefenoxam, fludioxonil, and cymoxanil with application adjuvants.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 18, 2007

Mr. COBLE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

# A BILL

To extend the suspension of duty on mixtures of mefenoxam, fludioxonil, and cymoxanil with application adjuvants.

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. MIXTURES OF MEFENOXAM, FLUDIOXONIL,
4 AND CYMOXANIL WITH APPLICATION ADJU5 VANTS.

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.02.04 of the Har-7 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to 8 mixtures of mefenoxam, fludioxonil, and cymoxanil with 9 application adjuvants) is amended by striking "12/31/ 10 2009" and by inserting "12/31/2011". (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from
 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
 the date of the enactment of this Act.