MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 110th Congress ¹

[Date approved: August 25, 2008]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 5255 (Mr. Melvin L. Watt of North Carolina).

Proponent name,³ location: Quality Colors LLC, High Point, NC.

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

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

Retroactive effect: None.

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

Disperse orange 30 (3-[[2-(acetyloxy)ethyl]-[4-[(2,6-dichloro-4-nitrophenyl)azo]phenyl]amino]propanenitrile) (CAS No. 5261-31-4) (provided for in subheading 3204.11.50).

Check one:

Same as that in bill as introduced.
 X Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section).

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

The subject product is a synthetic organic dyestuff that is used to dye textiles. The product is imported from China, Germany, India, and Switzerland.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>3204.11.50</u>										
\square	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	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000					
Customs revenue loss 1/	\$227,500	\$227,500	\$227,500	\$227,500	\$227,500					

1/ There was a duty suspension under HTS heading 9902.03.45 that expired on December 31, 2006. Source of estimated dutiable import data: U.S. industry estimates.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Larry Johnson (202-205-3351); Tariff Affairs contact: Dave Michels (202-205-3440).

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

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

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

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?	
		<pre>competing product(s)?</pre>			
		(Yes/No)			
Quality Colors LLC (Proponent)	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Kent Williams, 704-517-7964					
Arkema	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Charles Kitchen, Fax: 215-419-7075					
BASF Corp.	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Greg Thies, 202-904-2332					
Bayer	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Mike Gill, 202-508-8843					
Carey Industries, Inc.	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Raymond J. Carey, Fax: 203-791-2762					
Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp.	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Michelle Forte, Fax: 914-785-4831					
Clariant Corp.	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Andrew Zamoyski, 202-415-9159	05/01/2000	Ŋ			
Color Resources Int'l Inc.	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Wayne Jones, Fax: 864-862-6824 Colorants & Textile Leather Chemicals	05/01/2009	No	No	Na	
Michael Strumpp, Fax: 973-426-3542	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
ColorChem	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Steve Printz, Fax: 770-993-4780	03/01/2008	INO	INO	INO	
CPMA	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Larry Robinson, Fax: 703-684-1795	05/01/2008	110	110	140	
Day-Glo	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Richard Thornton, Fax: 216-391-1408	00/01/2000	110	110	110	
DyStar L.P.	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Van Hawkins, Fax: 704-561-3005					
ESCO Company	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Bruce Rice, 231-726-3106					
ETAD	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Tucker Helms, Fax: 202-296-8120					
Everlight USA, Inc.	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Scott Chen, Fax: 704-588-1004					
Fanwood Chemical, Inc.	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Jim DeLisi, Fax: 908-322-8494					
Fuji Film Imaging Colorants Inc.	05/01/2008	No	No	No	
Michael Gill, 202-508-8843					
Pat McGlinchey, Fax: 302-447-8103					
Huntsman International LLC	04/04/2008	No	No	No	
John Deming, Johndeming@aol.com					

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
-			(Yes/No)	
Kemira Chemicals Inc. Carolina Parez Fax 770-433-7672	05/01/2008	No	No	No
Milliken Industries Ray Sanders, Fax: 864-503-1618	05/01/2008	No	No	No
Monsanto Corp. Linda Strachan, Fax: 202-783-2467	05/01/2008	No	No	No
Nations Ford Chemical Co. John Dickson, 803-548-3210 (ext 14)	05/01/2008	No	No	No
Noveon Tom Dirmeyer, Fax: 512-841-4841	05/01/2008	No	No	No
Noviant Paul Schmidt, Fax: 512-841-4841	05/01/2008	No	No	No
Passaic Color John Wojciechowski, Fax: 973-279-3175	05/01/2008	No	No	No
Rohm & Haas Geoff Hurwitz, Fax: 703-741-5881	05/01/2008	No	No	No
Roma Color, Inc. Andrew Blum, Fax: 508-676-9011	05/01/2008	No	No	No
Sensient Technical Colors Dan Victor, Fax: 610-582-6663	05/01/2008	No	No	No
United Color Co. Tom Nowakowski, Fax: 215-860-8560	05/01/2008	No	No	No
Yorkshire Americas, Inc. Allen Hughes, Fax: 704-376-3091	05/01/2008	No	No	No

Technical comments:⁴

The Commission staff recommends that the article description of HTS heading 9902.03.45 be modified as shown on page 1 to begin with the Color Index name and to provide proper arrangement of the chemical name.

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 H.R.5255 2D Session

To suspend temporarily the duty on disperse orange 30.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 7, 2008

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

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on disperse orange 30.

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. DISPERSE ORANGE 30.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.03.45 of the Har-5 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to disperse orange 30) is amended by striking "12/31/2006" 6 and inserting "12/31/2011". 7

8 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by 9 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after 10 the date of the enactment of this Act. 11

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