

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20436

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

[Date approved: August 28, 2008]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H.R. 5272 (Mrs. Shelley Moore Capito of West Virginia).

**Proponent name,<sup>3</sup> location:** Bayer CropScience, Research Triangle Park, NC.

**Other bills on product (110<sup>th</sup> Congress only):** None.

**Nature of bill:** Temporary duty reduction through December 31, 2011.

**Retroactive effect:** None.

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

Mixtures containing thiencazzone-methyl (methyl 4-[(4,5-dihydro-3-methoxy-4-methyl-5-oxo-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)carbonylsulfamoyl]-5-methylthiophene-3-carboxylate), isoxaflutole (5-cyclopropyl-1,2-oxazol-4-yl)( $\alpha,\alpha,\alpha$ -trifluoro-2-mesyl-p-tolyl)methanone and cyprosulfamide (N-({4-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]phenyl}sulfonyl)-2-methoxybenzamide) (CAS Nos. 317815-83-1, 141112-29-0, 221667-31-8) (provided for in subheading 3808.93.15).

**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 subject product, a pre-emergent herbicide, is used by corn growers to provide grass and broadleaf weed control. The product is imported from Germany.

<sup>1</sup> Industry analyst preparing report: Stephen Wanser (202-205-3363); Tariff Affairs contact: David G. Michels (202-205-3440).

<sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at [http://www.usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\\_doc/bill\\_reports/](http://www.usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/).

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

**Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

<b>HTS subheading: 3808.93.15</b>					
	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	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000	\$10,500,000
Customs revenue loss 1/	\$483,000	\$483,000	\$483,000	\$483,000	\$483,000

1/ The estimated customs revenue loss is based on a temporary reduction of the general rate of duty from 6.5 percent ad valorem to 1.9 percent ad valorem, a reduction of 4.6 percentage points.

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)		
Bayer CropScience (Proponent) William Hensley, 202-756-3781 Jean Reimers, 202-756-3779	04/18/2008	No	No	No
Arkema Inc. (Atofina) Charles Kitchen, Fax: 216-419-7075	04/18/2008	No	No	No
BASF Corp. Greg Thies, Fax: 703-255-7142	04/18/2008	No	No	No
Chemtura Corporation Matt Mattingley, Fax: 202-463-8498	04/18/2008	No	No	No
CropLife America Isi Siddiqui, Fax: 202-463-0474	04/18/2008	No	No	No
Dow AgroSciences Max Turnipseed, Fax: 225-338-0310 Lisa Schroeter, Fax: 202-429-3467	04/18/2008	No	No	No
DuPont Helen McMahon, Fax: 302-355-2994 Elaine Olsen, Fax: 302-774-1398	04/18/2008	No	No	No
FMC Corp. Jerry Prout, Fax: 202-956-5235 Steve Ziehm, 202-872-8181	04/18/2008	No	No	No

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
			(Yes/No)	
Monsanto Corp. Michael Parris, Fax: 202-789-1867	04/18/2008	No	No	No
Nufarm Limited Joel R. Junker, Fax: 206-621-8220	04/18/2008	No	No	No
Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. Angus Kelly, Fax: 336-632-6084	04/18/2008	No	No	No
Valent USA Corp. Robin Demouth, Fax: 925-256-2776	04/18/2008	No	No	No

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

The Commission staff suggests that the article description on page 1 of this report be used in the proposed new heading in order to provide the correct chemical names and punctuation.

<sup>4</sup> 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  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 5272

To reduce temporarily the duty on Corvus herbicide.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 7, 2008

Mrs. CAPITO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Ways and Means

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## A BILL

To reduce temporarily the duty on Corvus herbicide.

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. CORVUS HERBICIDE.**

4       (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of  
5       the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is  
6       amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following  
7       new heading:

“	9902.01.00	Product mixtures containing Thiencarbazone-methyl (Methyl 4-((3-methoxy-4-methyl-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)carbonyl)amino)sulfonyl)-5-methylthiophene-3-carboxylate) & Isoxaflutole(5-Cyclopropyl-4-(2-Methylsulfonyl-4-Trifluoromethylbenzoyl)Isoxazole) & Cyprosulfamide(N-((4-((Cyclopropylamino)carbonyl)phenyl)sulfonyl)-2-methoxybenzamide) (CAS Nos. 317815-83-1, 141112-29-0, 221667-31-8) (provided for in subheading 3808.93.15) .....	1.9%	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2011	”.
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1           (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
 2 subsection (a) applies to articles entered, or withdrawn  
 3 from warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day  
 4 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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