# 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. 5276 (Mrs. Shelley Moore Capito of West Virginia).

Proponent name,<sup>3</sup> location: DuPont, Belle, West Virginia.

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

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

Retroactive effect: None.

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

Methyl 3-(aminosulfonyl)-2-thiophenecarboxylate (CAS No. 59337–93–8) (provided for in subheading 2935.00.75).

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 chemical that is an intermediate which is used in the production of an herbicide for corn and soybeans. The product is imported from China.

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

HTS subheading: <u>2935.00.75</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	\$4,700,000	\$4,700,000	\$4,700,000	\$4,700,000	\$4,700,000	
Customs revenue loss	\$305,500	\$305,500	\$305,500	\$305,500	\$305,500	

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Industry analyst preparing report: Philip Stone (202-205-3424); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202-205-3440).

<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.

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
			(Yes/No)	
DuPont (Proponent) Helen McMahon, Fax: 302-355-2994	05/09/2008	No	No	No
Aceto Agricultural Chemicals President, Fax: 516-627-6093	05/13/2008	No	No	No
Albaugh, Inc. President, Fax: 515-964-7813	05/13/2008	No	No	No
Arkema Inc. Charles Kitchen, Fax: 215-419-7075	05/09/2008	No	No	No
BASF Corporation Greg Thies, Fax: 202-558-5101	05/09/2008	No	No	No
Bayer CropScience William Hensley, Fax: 202-737-8909	05/09/2008	No	No	No
Chemtura Matt Mattingley, Fax: 703-670-9313	05/09/2008	No	No	No
CropLife America Isi Siddiqui, Fax: 202-463-0474	05/09/2008	No	No	No
Dow Chemical/Dow AgroScience Max Turnipseed, Fax: 225-383-0590	05/09/2008	No	No	No
Emerald Performance Materials Tom Dirmyer, Fax: 330-315-6480	05/09/2008	No	No	No
FMC Corp. Jerry Prout, Fax: 202-956-5235	05/09/2008	No	No	No
Gowan Company George Rolofson, Fax: 336-854-2772	05/09/2008	No	No	No
LT Biosyn, Inc. President, Fax: 909-348-5135	05/13/2008	No	No	No
Monsanto Corp. Grant Erdel, Fax: 202-789-1867	05/09/2008	No	No	No
Nufarm Limited Joel R. Junker, Fax: 206-621-8220	05/09/2008	No	No	No
Stoller Enterprises, Inc. President, Fax: 713-461-4467	05/13/2008	No	No	No
Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. Mike Blythe, Fax: 336-632-6084	05/09/2008	No	No	No

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United Phosphorus, Inc. President, Fax: 610-491-2801	05/13/2008	No	No	No
Valent USA Robin Demouth, Fax: 925-256-2776	05/09/2008	No	No	No

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

The Commission staff recommends that the article description on page 1 of this report be used in the proposed new heading in order to correct the spelling of the chemical name.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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.

# <sup>110TH CONGRESS</sup> 2D SESSION H.R. 5276

To suspend temporarily the duty on A5546 sulfonamide.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 7, 2008

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

# A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on A5546 sulfonamide.

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. A5546 SULFONAMIDE.

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	Methyl 3-aminosulfonyl-1-					
		thiophenecarboxylate (CAS					
		No. 59337–93–8) (provided					
		for in subheading					
		2935.00.75)	Free	No change	No change	On or before	
						12/31/2011	".

8 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by9 subsection (a) applies to articles entered, or withdrawn

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