

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: May 23, 2008]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H.R. 4642 (Mr. Gene Green of Texas).

**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:** Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2011.

**Retroactive effect:** None.

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

Mixtures of 1,1'-dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium dichloride (Paraquat Technical) (CAS No. 1910-42-5) and 2-amino-4,5-dihydro-6-methyl-4-propyl-s-triazole-[1,5-a]pyrimidin-5-one (Emetic PP796) (CAS No. 27277-00-5) (provided for in subheading 3808.93.15).

**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 non-selective herbicide formulation, containing Paraquat Technical plus an approved emetic, which is used for burndown of weeds prior to planting. The subject product is imported from China.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

<b>HTS subheading: <u>3808.93.15</u></b>					
<del> </del>	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	\$7,600,000	\$7,600,000	\$7,600,000	\$7,600,000	\$7,600,000
Customs revenue loss	\$494,000	\$494,000	\$494,000	\$494,000	\$494,000

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

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

<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.

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
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>**

The Commission staff suggests that the article description on page 1 of this report be used in the proposed new heading because it contains the correct chemical names and CAS numbers.

<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  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4642

To suspend temporarily the duty on Paraquat Technical + Emetic.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 13, 2007

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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## A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on Paraquat Technical + Emetic.

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. PARAQUAT TECHNICAL + EMETIC.**

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	1,1'dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium dichloride (Paraquat Technical + Emetic) (CAS No. 27277-00-5) (provided for in sub-heading 3808.93.15) .....	Free	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 with respect to goods entered, or  
3 withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after  
4 the 15th day after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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