

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: March 10, 2008]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H.R. 4267 (Ms. Allyson Y. Schwartz of Pennsylvania).

**Proponent name,<sup>3</sup> location:** Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., Allentown, PA.

**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)):**

Aqueous emulsion of a modified aliphatic amine mixture of: decanedioic acid, compounds with 1,3-benzenedimethanamine-bisphenol A-bisphenol A diglycidyl ether-diethylenetriamine glycidyl phenyl ether reaction product-epichlorohydrin-formaldehyde-propylene oxide-triethylenetetramine polymer (provided for in subheading 3911.90.45).

**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:**

This product is a complex water-based polyamide epoxy curing agent (55 percent solids content) that is sold to coatings, flooring (e.g., concrete), and grout manufacturers. It allows customers to create unique microporous systems that are breathable and water vapor permeable, preventing delamination and blistering. This product is imported from the United Kingdom.

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<sup>1</sup> Industry analyst preparing report: Ray Cantrell (202-205-3362); Tariff Affairs contact: David 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: 3911.90.45</b>					
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Col. 1-General rate of duty	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$670,000	\$700,000	\$750,000	\$800,000	\$850,000
Customs revenue loss	\$38,860	\$40,600	\$43,500	\$46,400	\$49,300

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Commission and 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)		
Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. (Proponent) Mr. Steven Belaus, 610-481-4979 Ms. Molly Troutman, 610-481-4003 Mr. Steve Ziehm, 202-872-8181	01/23/2008	No	No	No
Bayer Corporation Ms. Karen Niedermeyer, 412-777-2058	01/26/2008	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemicals Mr. John Deming, 302-479-5499	01/26/2008	No	No	No
Dow Chemical Company Ms. Lisa Schroeter, 202-429-3400	01/25/2008	No	No	No
DuPont Ms. Helen McMahon, 302-992-2263	01/25/2008	No	No	No
Gabriel Performance Chemicals, LLC Mr. Leonard Boehm, 440-992-3254	01/25/2008	No	No	No
Hexion Specialty Chemicals, Inc. Mr. Howard P. Franck, 832-366-2359 Mr. Paul W. Langemeier, 832-366-2385	01/25/2008	No	No	No
Huntsman Advanced Materials Mr. Petharnan Subramanian, 281-719-7563 Mr. Derek Kincaid, 281-719-7623	01/25/2008	No	No	No
LANXESS Corporation Ms. Jamie Schaeffer, 412-809-3666	01/25/2008	No	No	No

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Reichhold, Inc. Mr. Edward R. Leydon, 919-990-7816	01/25/2008	No	No	No

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

The CAS numbers in the bill should be deleted because they relate to the reactive agents and not to the subject product.

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<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. 4267

To suspend temporarily the duty on Epilink 701.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 4, 2007

Ms. SCHWARTZ 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 Epilink 701.

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. EPILINK 701.**

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.____	Aqueous emulsion of a modified aliphatic amine mixture of: decanedioic acid, compounds with 1,3-benzenedimethanamine-bisphenol A-bisphenol A diglycidyl ether-diethylenetriamine glycidyl phenyl ether reaction product-epichlorohydrin-formaldehyde-propylene oxide-triethylenetetramine polymer (CAS No. 260549-92-6) and water (CAS No. 7732-18-5) (provided for in sub-heading 3911.90.45) .....	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 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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