UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20436

MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 110th Congress ¹

[Date approved: May 5, 2008]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 4491 (Mr. John Culberson of Texas).

Proponent name, 3 location: Solvay Chemicals Inc., Alpharetta, GA.

Other bills on product (110th 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)):

2-Oxepanone polymer, 1-3-isobenzofuranedione terminated (CAS No. 117985-60-1) (provided for in subheading 3907.99.01).

Check one:	X 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 is a synthetic organic chemical that is used in the production of several adhesives and sealants. It is imported from the United Kingdom.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>3907.99.01</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	\$700,000	\$700,000	\$700,000	\$700,000	\$700,000	
Customs revenue loss	\$45,500	\$45,500	\$45,500	\$45,500	\$45,500	

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

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Ray Cantrell (202-205-3362); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202-205-3440).

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

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

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

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Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?		
			(Yes/No)			
Solvay Chemicals, Inc. (Proponent) Max Turnipseed, 225-338-0310	02/18/2008	No	No	No		
Arch Chemicals, Inc. Charles Barnett, 202-547-1831 Chandalia Kiran, 203-229-3317	02/19/2008	No	No	No		
Arkema, Inc. Charles Kitchen, 215-419-7615	02/21/2008	No	No	No		
Bayer Corporation Karen Niedermeyer, 412-777-2058	02/21/2008	No	No	No		
BASF Corporation Greg Thies, 202-558-5100	02/21/2008	No	No	No		
Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp. Vince Livoto, 914-785-4494; 954-7965 Mark Thomas, 336-801-2500	02/21/2008	No	No	No		
Dow Chemical Company Lisa Schroeter, 202-429-3400	02/21/2008	No	No	No		
DSM Resins, Inc. Shelton Fox, 706-849-6700 Laura Pirtle, 706-849-6700	02/21/2008	No	No	No		
DuPont Helen McMahon, 302-992-2263	02/21/2008	No	No	No		
Efficient Global Trade, Inc. Henry P. Stoebenau, 215-628-4919	02/21/2008	No	No	No		
Huntsman Advanced Materials Derek Kincaid, 281-719-7623	02/21/2008	No	No	No		
LANXESS Corporation Jamie Schaeffer, 412-809-3666	02/21/2008	No	No	No		
Perstorp Jeff Jones, 419-727-6722 Evelyn M. Suarez, 202-293-8116	02/18/2008	No	No	No		

Technical comments:⁴

None.

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 1ST SESSION

H.R. 4491

To suspend temporarily the duty on 2-Oxepanone polymer, 1-3isobenzofuranedione terminated.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 12, 2007

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

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on 2-Oxepanone polymer, 1-3-isobenzofuranedione terminated.

	1-5-isobenzoruranedione terminated.
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. 2-OXEPANONE POLYMER, 1-3-
4	ISOBENZOFURANEDIONE TERMINATED.
5	(a) In General.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of
6	the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
7	amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following
8	new heading:
	" 9902.01.00 2-Oxepanone polymer, 1-3- isobenzofuranedione termi- nated (CAS No. 117985— 60-1) (provided for in sub-

- 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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