

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 8, 2008]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H.R. 4567 (Mr. Robert E. Andrews of New Jersey).

**Proponent name,<sup>3</sup> location:** Solvay Solexis, Inc., West Deptford, NJ.

**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)):**

1,1,2-2-Tetrafluoroethylene, oxidized, polymerized, reduced (CAS No. 69991-62-4) (provided for in subheading 3904.69.50).

**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 used as an oil and water repellent in the manufacture of food-contact paper and paperboard. Solvay Solexis imports the subject chemical from Italy.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

HTS subheading: <u>3904.69.50</u>					
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
<del>Col. 1-General rate of duty (AVE)</del>					
Col. 1-General rate of duty (AVE)	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$5,540,000	\$5,540,000	\$5,540,000	\$5,540,000	\$5,540,000
Customs revenue loss	\$360,100	\$360,100	\$360,100	\$360,100	\$360,100

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: Eric Land (202-205-3349); 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)		
Solvay Solexis, Inc. (Proponent) Max Turnipseed, <a href="mailto:mcint@cox.net">mcint@cox.net</a>	01/09/2008	No	No	No
Arkema Charles Kitchen, <a href="mailto:charles.kitchen@arkema.com">charles.kitchen@arkema.com</a>	01/29/2008	No	No	No
Clariant Corporation Andrew Zamoyski, <a href="mailto:az@azamoyski.com">az@azamoyski.com</a>	01/29/2008	No	No	No
DuPont Helen McMahon <a href="mailto:Helen.C.McMahon@USA.dupont.com">Helen.C.McMahon@USA.dupont.com</a>	01/29/2008	No	No	No
LANXESS Corp. Jamie Schaeffer, <a href="mailto:jamie.schaeffer@lanxess.com">jamie.schaeffer@lanxess.com</a>	01/29/2008	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 a correct description of the product and the correct HTS subheading reference.

<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. 4567

To suspend temporarily the duty on Ethene, 1,1,2,2-tetrafluoro-, oxidized, polymd., reduced.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 13, 2007

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

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## A BILL

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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. ETHENE, 1,1,2,2-TETRAFLUORO-, OXIDIZED,**  
4 **POLYMD., REDUCED.**

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	Ethene, 1,1,2,2-tetrafluoro-, oxidized, polymd., reduced (CAS No. 69991-62-4) (provided for in subheading 3402.90.50) .....	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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