

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 110th Congress ¹**

[Date approved: May 16, 2008]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 4616 (Mr. Phil English of Pennsylvania).

Proponent name,³ location: BASF Corp., Florham Park, NJ.

Other bills on product (110th Congress only): None.

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

Retroactive effect: None.

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

2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate (CAS No. 5466-77-3) (provided for in subheading 2918.99.43).

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:

The subject product is a synthetic organic chemical that is used as a UVB filter in sunscreens and skin-care products. It is imported from Germany.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: 2918.99.43					
 	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	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000
Customs revenue loss 1/	\$0	\$455,000	\$455,000	\$455,000	\$455,000

1/ There is an existing duty suspension under HTS heading 9902.24.60 that expires on December 31, 2009. Therefore, there will be no customs revenue loss related to this bill in 2009.

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

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: L. Johnson (202-205-3351); Tariff Affairs contact: D. 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):

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
BASF Corp. (Proponent) Gregory Thies, 202-904-2332	03/24/2008	No	No	No
Aldrich Chemical Co. Cynthia Hening, 414-287-4059	03/24/2008	No	No	No
Firmenich Inc. Laura Heybur, 609-452-8063	03/24/2008	No	No	No
Givaudian-Roure Corp. Diane Koenig, 973-448-6532	03/24/2008	No	No	No
International Flavors and Fragrances Tom Kinlin, 732-335-2244	03/24/2008	No	No	No
Koch Industries Ron Osman, 361-242-8353	03/24/2008	No	No	No
Noveon Tom Dirmyer, 216-447-5720	03/24/2008	No	No	No
Penta Manufacturing Co. George Volpe, 973-740-1839	03/24/2008	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. 4616

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 13, 2007

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

A BILL

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on 2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate.

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-ETHYLHEXYL 4-METHOXYCINNAMATE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.24.60 of the Har-
5 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States is amended
6 by striking “12/31/2009” and inserting “12/31/2011”.

7 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
8 subsection (a) applies with respect to goods entered, or

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

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