

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 110th Congress¹**

[Date approved: June 16, 2008]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 4820 (Mr. Ray LaHood of Illinois).

Proponent name,³ location: DuPont, Wilmington, DE.

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)):

Mixtures of N-[[[4,6-dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)amino]-carbonyl]-3-(ethylsulfonyl)-2-pyridinesulfonamide (Rimsulfuron) and application adjuvants (CAS No. 122931-48-0) (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 products are sulfonylurea herbicides that contain the active ingredient rimsulfuron. They are used for selective grass and broadleaf weed control in potato crops. They are imported from France.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>3808.93.15</u>					
	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	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000
Customs revenue loss ^{1/}	\$0	\$487,500	\$487,500	\$487,500	\$487,500

^{1/} There is an existing duty suspension under HTS heading 9902.33.60 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)		
DuPont (Proponent) Elaine Olsen, Fax: 302-355-2994	04/04/2008	No	No	No
Arkema Charles Kitchen, Fax: 215-419-7075	04/04/2008	No	No	No
BASF Corp. Greg Thies, 202-904-2332	04/04/2008	No	No	No
Bayer CropScience Mike Gill, 202-508-8843	04/04/2008	No	No	No
CropLife America Lawrence Norton, Fax: 202-463-0474	04/04/2008	No	No	No
Dow AgroSciences Max Turnipseed, Fax: 225-383-0590	04/04/2008	No	No	No
FMC Corp. Jerry Prout, Fax: 202-956-5235	04/04/2008	No	No	No
LANXESS Jamie Schaeffer, Fax: 412-809-3614	04/04/2008	No	No	No
Monsanto Corp. Michael Parrish, Fax: 202-789-1867	04/04/2008	No	No	No
Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. Angus Kelly, Fax: 202-347-8758	04/04/2008	No	No	No
Valent USA Robin Demouth, Fax: 925-256-2776	04/04/2008	No	No	No

Technical comments:⁴

The Commission staff suggests that the common industry name, “(Rimsulfuron)”, be added to the article description of heading 9902.33.60, as shown on page 1 of this report.

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. 4820

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 18, 2007

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

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,*

