

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

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

[Date approved: June 19, 2008]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 5083 (Mr. Tim Murphy of Pennsylvania).

Proponent name,³ location: Bayer MaterialScience, Pittsburgh, PA.

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)):

1,2,3-Propanetriol, polymer with 2,4-diisocyanato-1-methylbenzene, 2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol, methyloxirane and oxirane (CAS No. 127821-00-5) (provided for in subheading 3909.50.50).

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 polyurethane prepolymer that is used in the furniture manufacturing and construction industries to make coatings and membranes more flexible. It is imported from Germany.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>3909.50.50</u>					
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Col. 1-General rate of duty					
Col. 1-General rate of duty	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$223,961	\$231,800	\$239,913	\$248,310	\$260,725
Customs revenue loss 1/	\$0	\$14,603	\$15,115	\$15,644	\$16,426

1/ There is an existing duty suspension under HTS heading 9902.11.80 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.

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

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Andrew Gately (202-205-3437); 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.

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Bayer MaterialScience (Proponent) Karen Niedermeyer, karen.niedermeyer.b@bayer.com	04/23/2008 04/24/2008 04/28/2008	Yes	No	No
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Anderson Development Corporation Steve Van Allsdale, Fax: 517-263-1000	04/25/2008	No	No	No
Chemtura Matt Mattingley, Fax: 202-463-8497	04/28/2008	No	No	No
Cytec Industries Bud Equi, bud.equi@cytec.com	04/25/2008	No	No	No
Dupont Helen McMahon, Fax: 302-355-2944	04/28/2008	No	No	No
Eastman Chemical Company Gregg Riddle, Fax: 212-835-1621	04/28/2008	No	No	No
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Monsanto Grant Erdel, Fax: 202-789-1867	04/28/2008	No	No	No
Perstorp Polyols Jeff Jones, Fax: 419-729-3291	04/28/2008	No	No	No
Tennant Mary Heie, Fax: 763-513-1808	04/28/2008	No	No	No
Total Specialty Chemicals Tad Acker, Fax: 203-966-1505	04/28/2008	No	No	No
Union Carbide Jim Murray, Fax: 202-347-1684	04/28/2008	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
2D SESSION

H. R. 5083

To extend the suspension of duty on Desmondur E 14.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 18, 2008

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

A BILL

To extend the suspension of duty on Desmondur E 14.

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. DESMODUR E 14.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.11.80 of the Har-
5 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to
6 1,2,3-Propanetriol, polymer with 2,4-diisocyanato-1-meth-
7 ylbenzene, 2-ethyl-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1,3-propanediol,
8 methyloxirane and oxirane) is amended by striking “12/
9 31/2009” and inserting “12/31/2011”.

10 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
11 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

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

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