

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 109th Congress¹**

[Date approved: October 6, 2005]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 617 (Mr. Richard H. Baker of Louisiana).

Proponent name, location: Albemarle Corp.
451 Florida St.
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70801

Other bills on product (109th Congress only): None.

Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2009.

Retroactive effect: None.

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

p-Nitrobenzoic acid (CAS No. 62-23-7) (provided for in subheading 2916.39.75)

Check one: Same as that in bill as introduced
 Different from that in bill as introduced (explain differences in Technical comments section)

Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

p-Nitrobenzoic acid (PNBA) is used in the manufacture of 2-ethylhexyl-4-(dimethylamino)benzoate (ODAB). ODAB is, in turn, used as an active ingredient in sunscreen lotions and as a co-initiator for UV initiated polymerizations. PNBA is imported from China and India.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Jack Greenblatt (202-205-3353); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202-205-3440).

² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at www.usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/109c.htm.

HTS subheading: 2916.39.75					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Col. 1-General rate of duty (AVE)	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000
Customs revenue loss	\$91,000	\$91,000	\$91,000	\$91,000	\$91,000

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

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

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Albemarle Corp. (proponent) Chau Nguyen Tel: 225-388-8011	6/17/2005	No	No	No
RAHN Inc. Steve Lundstram Tel: 630-851-420	6/23/2005	No	No	No
CIBA Specialty Chemicals John Deming Tel: 202-857-5200	6/22/2005	No	No	No
IGM Resins Mary Swenson Tel: 630-213-1616	6/23/2005	No	No	No
Maroon Inc. Dominic Romito Tel: 877-627-6661	6/23/2005	No	No	No
Merck Victoria Blatter Tel: 202-638-4170	6/27/2005	No	No	No
BASF Tel: Grace Chang Tel: 609-672-1678	6/24/2005	No	No	No

Hoffman La Roche Candace Samsa Tel: 202-408-0090	6/24/2005	No	No	No
Dupont Corp. Elaine Olsen Tel: 302-992-2263	6/20/2005	No	No	No

Technical comments:³

The Commission suggests that the article description on page 1 of this report be used in the proposed new heading in order to provide an initial capital letter to the chemical name.

³ 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.

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 617

To suspend temporarily the duty on p-nitrobenzoic acid (PNBA).

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 2005

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

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on p-nitrobenzoic acid (PNBA).

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. SUSPENSION OF DUTY ON P-NITROBENZOIC**
4 **ACID (PNBA).**

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:

“	9902.05.36	p-nitrobenzoic acid (CAS No. 62-23-7) (provided for in subheading 2916.39.75) ..	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2009	”.
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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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