UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20436

MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 109th Congress 1

[Date approved: August 10, 2006]²

Bill No. and sponsor: S. 953 (Mr. Christopher S. Bond of Missouri).

Proponent name, location: Solutia Inc., St Louis, MO.

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

Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2008.

Retroactive effect: None.

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

Triethylene gycol bis(2-ethylhexanonate) (CAS No. 94-28-0) (provided for in subheading 2915.90.50).

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 an organic chemical that is used as a plasticizer to make plastics. The subject product is imported from the United Kingdom.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>2915.90.50</u>								
\bigvee	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010			
Col. 1-General rate of duty	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%	3.8%			
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000			
Customs revenue loss	\$28,500	\$28,500	\$28,500	\$28,500	\$28,500			

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Larry Johnson (202-205-3351); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202-205-3340).

² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/index.htm.

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)		
Solutia Inc. (Proponent) John Hurley, 202-289-9800	04/04/2006	No	No	No
Bayer Karen Niedermeyer, Fax: 412-777-4740	04/04/2006	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemicals John Deming, Fax: 302-479-5152	04/04/2006	No	No	No
Clariant Corporation Andrew Zamoyski, Fax: 401-823-2700	04/04/2006	No	No	No
Dow Chemical Co. Peter Molinaro, 202-429-3400	05/11/2006	No	No	No
DuPont Helen C. McMahon, Fax: 302-774-1398	04/04/2006	No	No	No
Eastman Chemical Co. Greg Riddle, 703-524-7700	04/04/2006	No	No	No
Honeywell International Art Simonetti, Fax: 202-662-2675	04/04/2006	No	No	No
Monsanto Linda Strachan, Fax: 202-789-1867 Michael Parrish, Fax: 202-789-1867	04/04/2006	No	No	No
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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 the correct spelling of the chemical name.

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.

S. 953

To suspend temporarily the duty on triethylene bis.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 28, 2005

Mr. Bond introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on triethylene bis.

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. TRIETHYLENE BIS.										
4	(a) In General.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of										
5	the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is										
6	amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following										
7	new heading:										
	" 9902.29.15 Triethylene bis (2-thylhexanonate) (CAS No. 94–28–0) (provided for in subheading 2915.90.50)										

- 8 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 9 this section applies with respect to goods entered, or with-

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

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