## UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20436

# MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress <sup>1</sup>

[Date approved: June 7, 2006]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** S. 1658 (Mr. Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania).

Proponent name, location: LANXESS Corporation, Pittsburgh, PA.

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)):

2-Phenylphenol sodium salt (CAS No. 132-27-4) (provided for in subheading 2907.19.80).

**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 a general purpose anti-microbial used in a variety of applications, such as disinfectants, cleaners, produce washes and air fresheners. The subject product is imported from Germany.

#### **Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

HTS subheading: <u>2907.19.80</u>									
$\searrow$	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010				
Col. 1-General rate of duty	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%				
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000				
Customs revenue loss	\$66,000	\$66,000	\$66,000	\$66,000	\$66,000				

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at <a href="http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\_doc/bill\_reports/index.htm">http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\_doc/bill\_reports/index.htm</a>.

#### 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)		
LANXESS Corporation (Proponent) James Schaeffer, Fax: 412-809-3614	03/12/2006	No	No	No
Arkema Inc. (Atofina) Charles Kitchin, Fax: 703-527-2092	03/12/2006	No	No	No
BASF Corp. Greg Thies, Fax: 202-558-5101	03/12/2006	No	No	No
Bayer CropScience Mike Gill, 202-508-8843	03/12/2006	No	No	No
Crop Life America Lawrence Norton, Fax: 202-463-0474	03/12/2006	No	No	No
Dow Chemical/Dow AgroScience Max Turnipseed, 225-338-0310	03/12/2006	No	No	No
DuPont Nancy Johnson, Fax: 202-728-3649	03/12/2006	No	No	No
FMC Corp. Jerry Prout, Fax: 202-956-5235	03/12/2006	No	No	No
Monsanto Corp. Michael Parrish, Fax: 202-789-1867	03/12/2006	No	No	No
Syngenta Mike Blythe, Fax: 336-632-6084	03/12/2006	No	No	No
Valent USA Robin Demouth, Fax: 925-256-2776	03/12/2006	No	No	No

### **Technical comments:**<sup>3</sup>

The Commission suggests that the article description on page 1 of this report be used in the proposed new heading in order to reflect the proper presentation of the chemical name.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 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. 1658

To suspend temporarily the duty on sodium ortho-phenylphenol.

### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 12, 2005

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

## A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on sodium orthophenylphenol.

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 SODIUM ORTHO-								
4	PHENYLPHENOL.								
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:								
	" 9902.39.14 Sodium ortho-phenylphenol (CAS No. 132–27–4) (provided for in subheading 2907.19.80) Free No change No change On or before 12/31/2009 ".								

- 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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