

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

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

[Date approved: August 2, 2006]²

Bill No. and sponsor: S. 1942 (Mrs. Blanche Lincoln of Arkansas).

Proponent name, location: Ciba Specialty Chemicals, Tarrytown, NY.

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)):

1-Methoxy-2-propanol (CAS No. 107-98-2) (provided for in subheading 2909.49.60).

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:

1-Methoxy-2-propanol is used as a solvent for UV stabilizers that are used in the automotive, aeronautical, and industrial coatings industries. This synthetic organic chemical product is imported from Switzerland.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>2909.49.60</u>					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Col. 1-General rate of duty					
Col. 1-General rate of duty	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000
Customs revenue loss	\$7,150	\$7,150	\$7,150	\$7,150	\$7,150

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Robert Randall (202-205-3366); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202-205-3440).

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)		
Ciba Specialty Chemicals (Proponent) John Deming, 302-479-5499	04/05/2006	No	No	No
Abbott Laboratories Elaine Leavenworth, FAX: 783-6631	04/14/2006	No	No	No
American Chemistry Council Jim O'Conner, FAX: 703-741-6922	04/14/2006	No	No	No
Ashland Chemical Mike Toohey, FAX: 293-2913	04/14/2006	No	No	No
BASF Greg Thies, FAX: 558-5101	04/14/2006	No	No	No
Bayer Corporate & Business Offices Karen Niedermeyer, FAX: 412-777-4740	04/14/2006	No	No	No
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Clariant Corp. Andrew Zamoyski, FAX: 401-823-2700	04/14/2006	No	No	No
DuPont Helen C. McMahon, FAX: 302-355-2994	04/14/2006	No	No	No
Eastman Chemical Co. Jorge San Pedro, FAX: 703-514-7707	04/14/2006	No	No	No
Great Lakes Chemical Robert Lee, FAX: 765-497-6040	04/14/2006	No	No	No
Honeywell International Art Simonetti, FAX: 662-2675	04/14/2006	No	No	No
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Monsanto Corp. Michael Parrish, FAX: 789-1867	04/14/2006	No	No	No
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Perstorp Polyols Jeff Jones, FAX: 419-729-3291	04/14/2006	No	No	No
Rhodia Dominick Cangiana, FAX: 609-860-1841	04/14/2006	No	No	No

Solutia Dan Jenkins, FAX: 314-674-1585	04/14/2006	No	No	No
Tennant Co. Mary Heie, FAX: 763-513-1808	04/14/2006	No	No	No
Total Specialty Chemicals, Inc. Tad Acker, FAX: 203-966-1505	04/14/2006	No	No	No
Union Carbide Jim Murray, FAX: 347-1684	04/14/2006	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 order to provide the correct chemical name and HTS classification.

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

S. 1942

To suspend temporarily the duty on 1-Methoxy-2-propanol in solvent.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 1, 2005

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

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on 1-Methoxy-2-propanol in solvent.

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 1-METHOXY-2-PRO-**
4 **PANOL IN SOLVENT.**

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:

9902.38.12	1-Methoxy-2-propanol in solvent (CAS No. 107-98-2) (provided for in subheading 3812.30.60)	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 date of
4 the enactment of this Act.

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