

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

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

[Date approved: June 9, 2006]²

Bill No. and sponsor: S. 2404 (Mr. Jim DeMint of South Carolina).

Proponent name, location: Symrise, Inc., Goose Creek, SC.

Other bills on product (109th Congress only): H.R. 2167.

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

Retroactive effect: None.

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

o-tert-Butylcyclohexyl acetate, *cis* form (CAS No. 20298–69–9) (Agrumex) (provided for in subheading 2915.39.45)

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:

o-tert-Butylcyclohexyl acetate, *cis* form is a fragrance chemical known as Agrumex. The raw material is used in detergents; industrial, household, and personal care products; and fine fragrance perfumes. The subject product is imported from Germany.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>2915.39.45</u>					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Col. 1-General rate of duty					
Col. 1-General rate of duty	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$105,000	\$105,000	\$105,000	\$105,000	\$105,000
Customs revenue loss	\$5,040	\$5,040	\$5,040	\$5,040	\$5,040

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

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

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Jeff Clark (202-205-3318); 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.

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Symrise, Inc. (Proponent) Jed D'Ercole, 202-835-0740 e-mail: jed@sda-inc.com	04/04/2006 04/11/2006	No	No	No
Firmenich, Inc. Laura Heybur, Fax: 609-452-8063	04/11/2006	No	No	No
Givaudian-Roure Co. Diane Koenig, Fax: 973-448-6532	04/11/2006	No	No	No
Int'l Flavors & Fragrance Tom Kinlin, Fax: 732-335-2244	04/11/2006	No	No	No
Kalsec, Inc. Bob Monk, Fax: 269-382-3060	04/11/2006	No	No	No
Koch Industries Ron Osman, Fax: 361-242-8353	04/11/2006	No	No	No
Penta Mfg. Co. George Volpe, Fax: 973-740-1839	04/11/2006	No	No	No

Technical comments:³

The Commission notes that the bill, as introduced, would amend and extend an existing duty suspension that is provided under HTS heading 9902.05.02. The Commission suggests that, in lieu of amending and extending HTS heading 9902.05.02, a new duty suspension be enacted using the article description on page 1 of this report because the proponent has indicated that the product for which a duty suspension is being sought is not covered by HTS heading 9902.05.02, nor is it described by the amended article description in the bill. The article description on page 1 contains the correct chemical name, CAS number 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
2^D SESSION

S. 2404

To extend the duty suspension on o-tert-Butylcyclohexanol.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 13, 2006

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

A BILL

To extend the duty suspension on o-tert-Butylcyclohexanol.

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. O-TERT-BUTYLCYCLOHEXANOL.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.05.02 of the Har-
5 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to
6 o-tert-Butylcyclohexanol) is amended—

7 (1) by striking the article description and in-
8 serting “o-tert-Butylcyclohexanol (CAS No. 53860–
9 35–8) (Cyclohexanol, 2-(1,1-dimethyl-) (provided for
10 in subheading 2906.19.50)”; and

11 (2) by striking “12/31/2006” and inserting
12 “12/31/2009”.

1 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
2 subsection (a) apply to goods entered, or withdrawn from
3 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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