

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 109th Congress ¹**

[Date approved: October 24, 2006]²

Bill No. and sponsor: S. 3021 (Mr. Harry Reid of Nevada for Mr. John D. (Jay) Rockefeller IV of West Virginia).

Proponent name, location: Philips Electronics Corporation, New York, 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)):

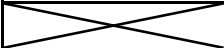
Cerium (III) nitrate (CAS No. 10294-41-4) (provided for in subheading 2846.10.00).

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:

The subject product is used as a color rendering in specialty electronic devices. It is imported from China and Austria.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>2846.10.00</u>					
	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	\$68,000	\$68,000	\$68,000	\$68,000	\$68,000
Customs revenue loss	\$3,740	\$3,740	\$3,740	\$3,740	\$3,740

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Commission estimates.

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 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)		
Philips Electronics Corporation (Proponent) Randy Moorhead, 202-962-8550 Katie Terriccio, 212-536-0694	08/29/2006	No	No	No
Cree Inc. Mark Parrish, 919-313-5300	08/30/2006	No	No	No
LightSources Inc. John Masucci, 203-799-7877	08/30/2006	No	No	No
Molycorp Robert Noll and John Benfield, 760-856-7616	08/30/2006	Yes	Yes	Yes
GFS Chemicals Mark Mellum, 740-881-5501	08/30/2006	No	No	No
The Shepherd Chemical Co. Bayard Pelsor, 513-731-1110	08/30/2006	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 the correct classification and to provide a more defined 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
2^D SESSION

S. 3021

To suspend temporarily the duty on Cerous nitrate.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 24, 2006

Mr. REID (for Mr. ROCKEFELLER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on Cerous nitrate.

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. CEROUS NITRATE.**

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:

“	9902.28.34	Cerous nitrate (CAS No. 10294–41–4) (provided for in subheading 2834.29.50) ..	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2009	”.
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8 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
9 subsection (a) applies to articles entered, or withdrawn

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

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