

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

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

[Date approved: October 26, 2006]²

Bill No. and sponsor: S. 3206 (Mr. Frank R. Lautenberg of New Jersey).

Proponent name, location: Honeywell International, Inc., Morristown, NJ.

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)):

1H-Benz[e]indolium,
2-[2-[2-chloro-3-[(1,3-dihydro-1,1,3-trimethyl-2Hbenz[e]indol-2-ylidene)ethylidene]-1-cyclohexen-1-yl]
ethenyl]-1,1,3-trimethyl-, salt with 4-methylbenzenesulfonic acid (1:1) (CAS No. 134127-48-3)
(provided for in subheading 2934.99.90).

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 product is a synthetic organic chemical that is used as an infrared adsorbing dye. This product improves the response of photosensitive formulations on photographic and medical imaging films. Honeywell imports the product from Germany.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: 2934.99.90					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Col. 1-General rate of duty	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Customs revenue loss	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

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

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Philip Stone (202-205-3424); 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)		
Honeywell International, Inc. (Proponent) Art Simonette, Fax: 202-662-2675	07/24/2006	No	No	No
BASF, Functional Polymers Business Group Cenan Ozmeral, Fax: 704-587-7903	08/03/2006	No	No	No
Bayer Corporation Karen Niedermeyer, Fax: 412-777-4740	08/03/2006	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemicals John Demming, Fax: 302-479-5152	08/03/2006	No	No	No
ColorChem Steve Printz, Fax: 770-993-4780	08/03/2006	No	No	No
Color Resources International Inc. Wayne Jones, Fax: 864-862-6824	08/03/2006	No	No	No
CPMA Larry Robinson, Fax: 703-684-1795	08/03/2006	No	No	No
Day-Glo Richard Thornton, Fax: 216-391-1408	08/03/2006	No	No	No
DyStar L.P. Van Hawkins, Fax: 704-561-3005	08/03/2006	No	No	No
ETAD Tucker Helms, Fax: 202-296-8120	08/03/2006	No	No	No
Everlight USA, Inc. Scott Chen, Fax: 704-588-0051	08/03/2006	No	No	No
Fanwood Chemical Jim DeLisi, Fax: 908-322-8494	08/03/2006	No	No	No
Fuji Imaging Colorants, Inc. Mike Gill, Fax: 202-628-5116 Pat McGlinchey, Fax: 302-477-8103	08/03/2006	No	No	No
LANXESS Corp. Jamie Schaeffer, Fax: 412-809-3614 Seth Tomei, Fax: 412-809-3614	08/03/2006	No	No	No
Milliken Ray Sanders, Fax: 864-503-1618	08/03/2006	No	No	No
NFC John Dickson, Fax: 803-548-2683	08/03/2006	No	No	No

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		(Yes/No)		
Passaic Color John Wojciechowski, Fax: 973-279-3175	08/03/2006	No	No	No
Rohm & Haas Steven Volger, Fax: 215-592-2550	08/03/2006	No	No	No
United Color Tom Nowakowski, Fax: 215-860-8560	08/03/2006	No	No	No

Technical comments:³ None.

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. 3206

To suspend temporarily the duty on a certain infrared absorbing dye.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 25, 2006

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

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on a certain infrared absorbing dye.

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. INFRARED ABSORBING DYE.**

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:

“	9902.29.43	1H-Benz[e]indolium, 2-[2-[2-chloro-3-[(1,3-dihydro-1,1,3-trimethyl-2H-benz[e]indol-2-ylidene)ethylidene]-1-cyclohexen-1-yl]ethenyl]-1,1,3-trimethyl-, salt with 4-methylbenzenesulfonic acid (1:1) (CAS No. 134127-48-3) (provided for in subheading 2934.99.90)	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) shall apply with respect to goods entered,
3 or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after
4 the date that is 15 days after the date of enactment of
5 this Act.

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