# 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: October 11, 2006]<sup>2</sup>

Bill No. and sponsor: S. 3353 (Mr. Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts).

**Proponent name, location:** EC Pigments, Fall River, MA.

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)):

Basic Violet 1 (CAS No. 8004-87-3) (provided for in subheading 3204.13.80).

Check one:  $\underline{X}$  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:

This product is a synthetic organic dye that the proponent will use as an intermediate to make a violet pigment. The product is imported from India and China.

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

HTS subheading: <u>3204.13.80</u>								
	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	\$112,500	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000			
Customs revenue loss	\$7,313	\$8,125	\$8,125	\$8,125	\$8,125			

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)		
EC Pigments (Proponent) Jim DeLisi, 908-322-8440	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Allegheny Color Corp. Jon Gallisdorfer, 815-741-2588	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Apollo Color, Inc. Tom Rogers, 815-741-2588	04/20/2006	No	No	No
BASF Corp. Phil Webb, 704-398-25888	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Clariant Corp. Andy Zamoyski, 401-823-2230	04/20/2006	No	No	No
CDR Pigments & Dispersions Rucker Wickline, 270-737-1700	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemical Corp. John Demming, 302-479-5499	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Color Pigments Mfg Association Larry Robinson, 703-684-4044	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Diacolor-Pope Bob Turkos, 973-279-2702	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Engelhard Corporation Roland Valin, 732-205-7144	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Fuji Photo Film Co. (Avecia) Mike Gill, 202-508-8843	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Galaxie Chemical Corp. Richard Caldwell, 973-279-0558	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Magruder Color Co., Inc. Joel Weissglass, 973-241-1300	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Mason Color Works Inc. Carol Mason Cronin, 330-385-4400	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Max Marx Color Corp. Walter Sichel, 973-373-7801	04/20/2006	No	No	No
Sun Chemical Corp. Ed Faulkner, 513-681-5950	04/20/2006	No	No	No

**Technical comments:**<sup>3</sup> None.

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. 3353

To suspend temporarily the duty on Basic Violet 1.

### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

June 5, 2006

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

## A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on Basic Violet 1.

- 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. BASIC VIOLET 1.
- 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:

"	9902.31.23	Basic Violet 1 (CAS No. 8004–87–3)					
		(provided for in subheading 3204.13.80)	Free	No change	No change	On or before	
						12/31/2009	".

- 8 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 9 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

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

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