

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION  
of the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress <sup>1</sup>**

[Date approved: March 18, 2004]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H.R. 929 (Mr. Isakson)

**Proponent name, location:** Colorchem, Inc.  
Atlanta, GA 30350

**Other bills on product (108<sup>th</sup> Congress only):** none

**Nature of bill:** temporary duty suspension through 12/31/2007

**Retroactive effect:** none

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

1,8-Dichloroanthraquinone (CAS No. 82-43-9) (provided for in subheading 2914.69.90)

**Check one:**  Same as that in bill as introduced  
 Different from that in bill as introduced (explain differences in Technical comments section)

**Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:**

The chemical, 1,8-dichloroanthraquinone, is a raw material for the production of Solvent yellow 163, a dye used by companies such as GE, Dow, and Bayer to color engineering plastics (e.g., acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene (ABS), polycarbonate and acrylic). A principal use of Solvent yellow 163 is to color automotive turn-signal lenses. Colorchem has manufacture the solvent dye at a facility in Fort Mill, South Carolina for more than 15 years and is believed to be the sole U.S. manufacturer.

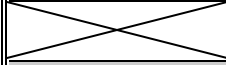
Colorchem imports its supply of 1,8-dichloroanthraquinone from Chinese sources. There is reported to be at least 2 manufacturers in China producing this material, as well as one in India. All former producers of this chemical in Europe and the Americas have ceased production.

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<sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at <http://www.usitc.gov/billrpts.htm> Access to a paper copy is available at the Commission's Law Library (202-205-3287) or at the Commission's Main Library (202-205-2630).



**Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

<b>HTS subheading: 2914.69.90</b>					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Col. 1-General rate of duty (AVE) <sup>1/</sup>	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
Customs revenue loss	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$5,500

<sup>1/</sup> The AVE is the ad valorem equivalent of a specific or compound duty rate expressed as a percent, using the most recent import data available.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

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

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Colorchem. Inc. Steven Printz, President (ph) 770-993-5500, (fax) 770-993-4780, e-mail: sjprintz@colorchem.com	2/11/2004	No	No	No
Fanwood Chemical, Inc Jim DeLisi (ph) 908-322-8440 e-mail: jdelisi@fanwoodchemical.com	2/18/2004	No	No	No

**Technical comments:<sup>3</sup>**

none

<sup>3</sup> 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.

108TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 929

To suspend temporarily the duty on 1,8 Dichloroanthraquinone.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 26, 2003

Mr. ISAKSON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Ways and Means

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## A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on 1,8  
Dichloroanthraquinone.

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. 1,8 DICHLOROANTHRAQUINONE.**

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:

“	9902.29.09	1,8 Dichloroanthraquinone (CAS No. 82-43-9) (provided for in sub-heading 2914.69.90) .....	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2007	”.
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1       (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
2 subsection (a) applies with respect to goods entered, or  
3 withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after  
4 the 15th day after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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