



MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 112th Congress

Date approved

I. Background

Bill number:

Sponsor name:

Sponsor state:

Interested entity:

Name

City

State

Other bills on product (112th Congress only):

Nature of bill:

Expiration date:

Current or previous chapter 99 heading:

Retroactive date:

CAS number (if applicable):

Industry analyst:

Telephone:

Tariff Affairs contact:

Telephone:

Note:

1. Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://www.usitc.gov/tariff_affairs/congress_reports/.
2. In regard to the country(ies) of origin listed in section III, this report focuses on dutiable imports and does not take into account any tariff preference programs or special rates of duty.

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

Mixtures of caprolactam disulfide (CAS No. 23847-08-7) with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents (provided for in subheading 3812.10.50)

(If enacted, the tariff relief provided for in this bill would be available to any entity that imports the product that is covered by the bill.)

Description above compared with bill as introduced:

- Same
 Different (see Technical Comments section)

III. Other product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports

The subject chemical is used as a non-nitrosamine-containing crosslinking agent for rubber. The final transportation-related and technical rubber goods made using this product include hoses, belts, vibration control rubber parts, and automotive weather seals. The chemical is imported from Germany.

IV. Estimated effect on customs revenue

Subject product HTS subheading(s) 3812.10.50
Table with 6 columns: Item, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017. Rows include Col.1-general rate of duty or percentage point reduction (%), Estimated value of dutiable imports (\$), and Customs revenue loss (\$).

Note: Customs revenue loss is provided for 5 years, although the effective period of the proposed legislation may differ. Regarding the HTS subheading listed in the article description of the bill, the Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only U.S. Customs and Border Protection is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that Customs should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

Dutiable imports were based on (more than one may apply):

- Official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce
 Provided by industry sources
 Industry information
 Commission estimates

Duty reduction notes:

- This bill is not a duty reduction
 This bill is a temporary duty reduction. Rates are shown below.

Col.1-general duty rate (%) [] Temporary rate (%) [] Percentage point reduction (%) []

V. Technical comments

None

VI. Continuation

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VII. Contacts with domestic firms/organizations

| # | Firm/organization and contact name | Telephone number | Claims same or competing product made in the United States | Submission attached | Opposition noted |
|----|--|-------------------|--|---------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Rhein Chemie (Interested entity) Jamie B. Schaeffer | 412-809-3666 | No | No | No |
| 2 | 3M Greg Walters | 202-414-3008 | No | No | No |
| 3 | Air Products Richard F. Goodstein | 202-639-0840 | No | No | No |
| 4 | Albaugh Stuart Feldstein | 515-964-9444 | No | No | No |
| 5 | Arkema David Kunz | 202-263-3491 | No | No | No |
| 6 | Ashland Frank Fusiak | 973-628-4123 | No | No | No |
| 7 | BASF Richard J. Salamone | 973-895-8316 | No | No | No |
| 8 | Bayer Steve Johnsen | 412-777-5616 | No | No | No |
| 9 | Celanese Samuel Ramirez | 972-443-4689 | No | No | No |
| 10 | Chemtura Elizabeth J. Thomasino | 203-573-2644 | No | No | No |
| 11 | Clariant Andrew Zamoyski | 202-415-9159 | No | No | No |
| 12 | ColorChem Steven Printz | 770-993-5500, x18 | No | No | No |
| 13 | Crowell & Moring, LLP Mike Gill | 202-508-8843 | No | No | No |
| 14 | DSM Sheetal Bhadekar | 973-257-8323 | No | No | No |
| 15 | Dixie Chemical Mal Johnson | 281-291-2659 | No | No | No |
| 16 | Dow Chemical Co. Lisa Schroeter | 202-429-3407 | No | No | No |
| 17 | Drexel Chemical Stanley Bernard | 901-774-4370 | No | No | No |
| 18 | DuPont Elaine M. Olsen | 302-992-2263 | No | No | No |

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| 19 | DyStar L.P. Megan Malone | 202-344-4621 | No | No | No |
| 20 | Eastman Brent Perry | 202-347-9547 | No | No | No |
| 21 | Emerald Performance Materials Thomas Dirmyer | 330-916-6706 | No | No | No |
| 22 | Evonik Russell Mait | 804-452-5711 | No | No | No |
| 23 | FMC Jerry Prout | 202-956-5209 | No | No | No |
| 24 | Fanwood Chemical V. M. (Jim) DeLisi | 908-322-8440 | No | No | No |
| 25 | Honeywell Art Simonetti | 202-662-2671 | No | No | No |
| 26 | Huntsman Robert F. Hurley | 202-289-9800 | No | No | No |
| 27 | Kemira Rajesh Sharma | 678-819-4577 | No | No | No |
| 28 | LANXESS Jamie B. Schaeffer | 412-809-3666 | No | No | No |
| 29 | Lonza Joe Robinson | 201-316-9364 | No | No | No |
| 30 | Milliken Kathi Dutilh | 202-775-0084 | No | No | No |
| 31 | Monsanto James K. Travis | 202-383-2864 | No | No | No |
| 32 | Nation Ford Chemical Jay Dickson | 803-548-3210, x15 | No | No | No |
| 33 | Nufarm Americas Joel Junker | 206-621-7878 | No | No | No |
| 34 | PPG Industries Bill Ries | 412-434-1717 | No | No | No |
| 35 | Procter & Gamble Matt Mattingley | 202-841-5601 | No | No | No |
| 36 | Purolite Gary Thundercliffe | 484-384-2708 | No | No | No |
| 37 | Rhodia Jackie Guscott | 609-860-3379 | No | No | No |

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| 38 | Royce Associates, ALP Terry Scheirer | 201-438-5200 | No | No | No |
| 39 | SOCMA Robert E. Branand | 202-345-2717 | No | No | No |
| 40 | Sensient Technologies Ken Goldacker | 314-658-7363 | No | No | No |
| 41 | Sigma-Aldrich Jared Fenton | 314-286-8326 | No | No | No |
| 42 | Solutia Kassie Wooton | 314-674-3297 | No | No | No |
| 43 | Solvay Andrew K. Jones | 856-251-3412 | No | No | No |
| 44 | Symrise Elizabeth Scharlat | 908-429-6821 | No | No | No |
| 45 | Syngenta Mike Blythe | 336-632-2824 | No | No | No |
| 46 | Tessenderlo Kerley Brian Thomassen | 602-889-8397 | No | No | No |
| 47 | United Color Manufacturing Tom Nowakowski | 215-860-2165 | No | No | No |
| 48 | Valent Robin Demouth | 925-256-2758 | No | No | No |

112TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4938

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of caprolactam disulfide with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 26, 2012

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

A BILL

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on mixtures of caprolactam disulfide with an elastomer binder of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl acetate, and dispersing agents.

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. MIXTURES OF CAPROLACTAM DISULFIDE WITH**
4 **AN ELASTOMER BINDER OF ETHYLENE-PRO-**
5 **PYLENE-DIENE MONOMER AND ETHYL VINYL**
6 **ACETATE, AND DISPERSING AGENTS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.12.74 of the Har-
8 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to

1 mixtures of caprolactam disulfide with an elastomer binder
2 of ethylene-propylene-diene monomer and ethyl vinyl ace-
3 tate, and dispersing agents) is amended by striking the
4 date in the effective period column and inserting “12/31/
5 2015”.

6 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
7 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from
8 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
9 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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