

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: November 29, 2005]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H.R. 2772 (Mr. Wm. Lacy Clay of Missouri).

**Proponent name, location:** Sensient Technologies, St. Louis, MO.

**Other bills on product (109<sup>th</sup> Congress only):** None.

**Nature of bill:** Extension of temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2009.

**Retroactive effect:** None.

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

4-[(4-Aminophenyl)azo]benzenesulfonic acid, monosodium salt (CAS No. 2491-71-6) (provided for in subheading 2927.00.50).

**Check one:**      No change to HTS heading 9902.02.40 is suggested.  
                   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 a synthetic organic chemical used as a dyestuff intermediate. It is imported from Italy and China.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

HTS subheading: <u>2927.00.50</u>					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
					
Col. 1-General rate of duty	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$352,000	\$375,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000
Customs revenue loss <sup>1/</sup>	\$22,880	\$24,375	\$26,000	\$26,000	\$26,000

<sup>1/</sup> The estimated Customs revenue loss for 2005 and 2006 results from a duty suspension under HTS heading 9902.02.40 that expires on December 31, 2006.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

<sup>1</sup> Industry analyst preparing report: Robert Randall (202-205-3366); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202-205-3440).

<sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at [http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\\_doc/bill\\_reports/index.htm](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	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Sensient Technologies (Proponent) Jim DeLisi, Fax: 908-322-8494	10/7/2005	No	No	No
BASF Corporation Joseph C. Breunig, Fax: 704-587-7903	10/7/2005	No	No	No
Bayer Corporation Karen Niedermeyer, Fax: 412-777-7743	10/7/2005	No	No	No
Carey Industries, Inc. Raymond J. Carey, Fax: 203-791-2762	10/7/2005	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp. Michelle Forte, Fax: 914-785-4831	10/7/2005	No	No	No
Clariant Corporation Ken Golder Fax: 704-377-1063	10/7/2005	No	No	No
CMPA Larry Robinson, Fax: 703-684-1795	10/7/2005	No	No	No
Color Resources Int'l Inc. Wayne Jones, Fax: 864-862-6824	10/7/2005	No	No	No
Colorants & Textile Leather Chemicals Michael Strumpp, Fax: 973-426-3542	10/7/2005	No	No	No
ColorChem Steve Printz, Fax: 770-993-4780	10/7/2005	No	No	No
Day-Glo Michael Thornton, Fax: 216-391-1408	10/7/2005	No	No	No
DuPont Helen McMahon, Fax: 302-774-3980	10/7/2005	No	No	No
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ETAD Tucker Helms, Fax: 209-296-8120	10/7/2005	No	No	No

Everlight USA, Inc. Scott Chen, Fax: 704-588-0051	10/7/2005	No	No	No
Milliken Ray Sanders, Fax: 864-503-1618	10/7/2005	No	No	No
NFC John Dickson, Fax: 803-548-2683	10/7/2005	No	No	No
Noveon Tom Dirmyer, Fax: 214-415-6001	10/7/2005	No	No	No
Noviant Paul Schmidt, Fax: 513-841-4841	10/7/2005	No	No	No
Passaic Color John Wojciechowski, Fax: 973-279-3175	10/7/2005	No	No	No
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Yorkshire Americas, Inc. Allen Hughes, Fax: 704-376-3091	10/7/2005	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.

109TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2772

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on 4 [(4 amino phenyl) azo] benzene sulfonic acid, monosodium salt.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 7, 2005

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

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## A BILL

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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. 4 [(4 AMINO PHENYL) AZO] BENZENE SULFONIC**

4 **ACID, MONOSODIUM SALT.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.02.40 of the Har-  
6 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to  
7 4 [(4 amino phenyl) azo] benzene sulfonic acid, mono-  
8 sodium salt) is amended by striking “12/31/2006” and in-  
9 serting “12/31/2009”.

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

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