

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

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

[Date approved: March 14, 2006]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 3027 (Mr. Michael Castle of Delaware).

Proponent name, location: E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Co., Wilmington, DE.

Other bills on product (109th Congress only): None.

Nature of bill: Temporary duty reduction through December 31, 2009.

Retroactive effect: None.

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

Mixtures of sodium-2-chloro-6-[(4,6 dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)thio]benzoate (CAS No. 123343-16-8) and application adjuvants (Pyriithiobac-sodium) (provided for in subheading 3808.30.15).

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 subject formulated products are herbicides containing the active ingredient pyriithiobac-sodium. These postemergence herbicides are used primarily for selective grass and broadleaf weed control in cotton crops. The subject products are imported from Japan.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Jeff Clark (202-205-3318); 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.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: 3808.30.15					
	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	\$15,000,000	\$15,300,000	\$15,700,000	\$15,900,000	\$16,000,000
Customs revenue loss ^{1/}	\$450,000	\$459,000	\$471,000	\$477,000	\$480,000

^{1/} The estimated Customs revenue losses shown reflect a difference between the current duty rate and the proposed reduced rate of 3.5 percent.

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)		
E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Co. (Proponent) Sharee Lawler, 202-728-3664 Elaine Olsen, 302-992-2263	10/26/2005 11/10/2005	No	No	No
BASF Corp. Greg Thies, 202-904-2332	10/26/2005	No	No	No
Bayer Corporate Services Karen Niedermeyer, 412-777-2058	10/26/2005	No	No	No
Bayer CropScience Will Hensley, 202-756-3781	10/26/2005	No	No	No
Crop Life America Lawrence Norton, Fax: 202-463-0474	10/26/2005	No	No	No
Dow Agro Science Margaret Rogers, Fax: 202-429-3467	10/26/2005	No	No	No
FMC Corp. Jerry Prout, 202-956-5219	10/26/2005	No	No	No

LANXESS Jamie Schaeffer, Fax: 412-809-3666	10/26/2005	No	No	No
Monsanto Corp. Linda Strachan, 202-383-2849	10/26/2005	No	No	No
Syngenta Crop Protection Mike Blythe, 336-632-6000	10/26/2005	No	No	No
Valent BioSciences Corp. Robin Demouth, 925-256-2758	10/26/2005	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
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3027

To reduce temporarily the duty on mixtures of sodium-2-chloro-6-[(4,6 dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl)thio]benzoate and application adjuvants (pyrithiobac-sodium).

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 22, 2005

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

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. MIXTURES OF SODIUM-2-CHLORO-6-[(4,6**
4 **DIMETHOXYPYRIMIDIN-2-YL)THIO]BENZOATE**
5 **AND APPLICATION ADJUVANTS**
6 **(PYRITHIOBAC-SODIUM).**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of
8 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is

1 amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following
 2 new heading:

“	9902.08.04	Mixtures of sodium-2-chloro-6-[4,6 dimethoxypyrimidin-2-yl]thio]benzoate (CAS No. 123343-16-8) and application adjuvants (pyrithiobac-sodium) (provided for in subheading 3808.30.15)	3.5%	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2009	”.
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3 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
 4 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from
 5 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
 6 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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