

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 5, 2005]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H.R. 1922 (Mr. Kenny C. Hulshof of Missouri)

**Proponent name, location:** BASF Corporation, Florham Park, NJ 07932.

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

**Nature of bill:** Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2008.

**Retroactive effect:** None.

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

1,3-Dibromo-5,5-dimethylhydantoin (CAS No. 77-48-5) (provided for in subheading 2933.21.00).

**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 chemical is an agricultural intermediate used to produce a follow-on intermediate which, in turn, is used to produce a herbicide for use on peanuts, rice, and soybeans. The product is imported from China, India, and Israel. There are no other known importers.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

HTS subheading: <u>2933.21.00</u>					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
<del>Col. 1-General rate of duty</del>	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$600,000	\$390,000	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$350,000
Customs revenue loss	\$39,000	\$25,350	\$22,750	\$22,750	\$22,750

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

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<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)		
BASF Corp. (proponent) Tom Coleman, 202-289-3900 Greg Thies, 202-904-2332 Ron Eva, 919-547-2112	8/16/2005 8/25/2005 8/29/2005	No	No	No
Bayer CropScience Will Hensley, 202-756-3781	8/16/2005	No	No	No
E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company Elaine Olsen, 302-992-2263	8/16/2005	No	No	No
Monsanto Corp. Linda Strachan, 202-383-2849	8/16/2005	No	No	No
Syngenta Crop Protection Mike Blythe, 336-632-6000	8/16/2005	No	No	No
Valent BioSciences Corp. Robin Demouth, 925-256-2758	8/16/2005	No	No	No

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

The Commission suggests that the article description on page 1 of this report be used in the proposed new heading in order to add an additional position indicator "5" in the chemical name.

<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. 1922

To suspend temporarily the duty on 1,3-Dibromo-5-dimethyl-hydantoin.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 27, 2005

Mr. HULSHOF 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 1,3-Dibromo-5-dimethyl-  
hydantoin.

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. 1,3-DIBROMO-5-DIMETHYL-HYDANTOIN.**

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:

“	9902.05.67	1,3-Dibromo-5-dimethyl- hydantoin (CAS No. 77-48- 5) (provided for in sub- heading 2933.21.00) .....	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2008	”.
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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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