

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

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

[Date approved: September 28, 2005]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 2281 (Mr. Phil English of Pennsylvania)

Proponent name, location: BASF Corporation (headquarters)
Florham Park, NJ 07932

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

Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through 12/31/2008.

Retroactive effect: None.

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

2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate (CAS No. 5466-77-3) (provided for in subheading 2918.90.43)

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:

2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate is a synthetic organic chemical used as a UVB filter in sunscreens and skin-care products. BASF imports the product from Germany.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Philip Stone (202-205-3424); 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: 2918.90.43					
	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	\$4,054,000	\$4,054,000	\$4,054,000	\$4,054,000	\$4,054,000
Customs revenue loss	\$263,510	\$263,510	\$263,510	\$263,510	\$263,510

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)		
BASF Corporation (proponent) Tom Coleman, 202-289-3900	18/15/2005	No	No	No
Aldrich Chemical Co. Cynthia Hening, 414-287-4059	08/15/2005	No	No	No
Firmenich Inc. Laura Heybur, 609-452-8063	08/15/2005	No	No	No
International Flavors and Fragrances Tom Kinlin, 732-335-2244	08/15/2005	No	No	No
Givaudian-Roure Corp. Diane Koenig, 973-448-6532	08/15/2005	No	No	No
Koch Industries Ron Osman, 361-242-8353	08/15/2005	No	No	No
Noveon Tom Dirmyer, 216-447-5720	08/15/2005	No	No	No
Penta Manufacturing Co. George Volpe, 973-740-1839	08/15/2005	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. 2281

To suspend temporarily the duty on 2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 11, 2005

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

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on 2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate.

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. 2-ETHYLHEXYL 4-METHOXYCINNAMATE.**

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:

“	9902.09.13	2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate (CAS No. 5466-77-3) (provided for in subheading 2918.90.43)	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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