

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. 3029 (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: Extension of temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2009.

Retroactive effect: None.

Article description(s) (including appropriate HTS classification(s)):

Benzyl carbazate (Hydrazinecarboxylic acid, phenylmethyl ester) (CAS No. 5331-43-1) (provided for in subheading 2928.00.25).

Check one: Same as in the HTS heading(s) in bill as introduced.
 Different from HTS heading(s) in bill (see Technical comments).

Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

The subject product, imported from France and Germany, is a synthetic organic chemical used as an intermediate in the manufacture of a broad spectrum insecticide. The formulated products are used to control the target lepidoptera pests on cotton, vegetables, and fruits.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>2928.00.25</u>					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Col. 1-General rate of duty					
Col. 1-General rate of duty	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$2,300,000	\$2,400,000	\$2,500,000	\$2,600,000	\$2,700,000
Customs revenue loss 1/	\$149,500	\$156,000	\$162,500	\$169,000	\$175,500

1/ The estimated Customs revenue loss for 2005 and 2006 results from a temporary duty suspension under HTS heading 9902.01.44 that expires on December 31, 2006.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

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² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at 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?
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
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FMC Corp. Jerry Prout, 202-956-5219	10/26/2005	No	No	No
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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

The Commission suggests deleting HTS heading 9902.29.96, which covers the same chemical, because it expired on December 31, 2003.

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. 3029

To extend the suspension of duty on Benzyl carbazate.

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

To extend the suspension of duty on Benzyl carbazate.

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. BENZYL CARBAZATE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.01.44 of the Har-
5 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to
6 Benzyl carbazate) is amended by striking “12/31/2006”
7 and inserting “12/31/2009”.

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