

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

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

[Date approved: June 1, 2006]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 3530 (Mr. Steve Buyer of Indiana).

Proponent name, location: Dow Chemical, Indianapolis, IN.

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

Nature of bill: Extension of temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2008.

Retroactive effect: None.

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

Methacrylamide (CAS No. 79-39-0) (provided for in subheading 2924.19.10).

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 product is used as a co-monomer in the manufacture of styrene-butadiene latex for the paper coating industry. The subject product is imported from Japan and Germany.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>2924.19.10</u>					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
					
Col. 1-General rate of duty	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$3,200,000	\$3,200,000	\$3,200,000	\$3,200,000	\$3,200,000
Customs revenue loss 1/	\$118,400	\$118,400	\$118,400	\$118,400	\$118,400

1/ The estimated Customs revenue loss data for 2005 and 2006 reflect the existing duty suspension under heading 9902.02.94 that expires on December 31, 2006.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

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.

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?
Dow Chemical (Proponent) Lisa Schroeter, Fax: 202-429-3467	10/27/2005 11/18/2005	No	No	No
Abbott Laboratories Elaine Leavenworth, Fax: 202-783-6631	11/18/2005	No	No	No
American Chemistry Council Jim O'Connor, Fax: 703-741-6922	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Ashland Chemical Mike Toohey, Fax: 202-293-2913	11/18/2005	No	No	No
BASF Corp. Tom Coleman, 202-289-3900	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Bayer Corp. Karen Niedermeyer, 412-777-2058 Julie Van Egmund, Fax: 202-737-8909	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Biddle Sawyer Corp. William Thonack, Fax: 212-239-1089	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp. John Deming, 202-857-5200	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Clariant Corporation Andrew Zamoyski, 401-823-2230	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Du Pont Elaine Olsen, 302-992-2263 Helen McMahon, Fax: 302-355-2994	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Eastman Chemical Jorge San Pedro, Fax: 703-524-7707	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Glaxo SmithKline William Schuyler, Fax: 202-715-1001	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Great Lakes Chemical Robert Lee, Fax: 765-497-6040	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Honeywell International Art Simonetti, Fax: 202-662-2675	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Lonza, Inc. Ray Esposito, 201-316-9200	11/18/2005	No	No	No

Monsanto Linda Strachan, 202-383-2849 Michael Parrish, Fax: 202-789-1867	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Noveon Tom Dirmyer, Fax: 216-447-5720	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Perstrop Polyols, Inc. Jeff Jones, Fax: 419-729-3291	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Rhodia Dominick Cangiana, Fax: 609-860-1841	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Solutia Sue Cannon, Fax: 314-674-1585 Dan Jenkins, Fax: 314-674-1585	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Tennant Co. Mary Heie, Fax: 763-513-1808	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Total Specialty Chemicals, Inc. Tad Acker, Fax: 203-966-1505	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Union Carbide Jim Murray, Fax: 202-347-1684	11/18/2005	No	No	No
Uniroyal Chemical Lloyd Moon, Fax: 203-573-4430	11/18/2005	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. 3530

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on Methacrylamide.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 28, 2005

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

A BILL

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on
Methacrylamide.

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. METHACRYLAMIDE.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Heading 9902.02.94 of the Har-
5 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to
6 Methacrylamide) is amended by striking “12/31/2006”
7 and inserting “12/31/2008”.

8 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
9 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

- 1 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
- 2 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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