

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION  
of the 111<sup>th</sup> Congress<sup>1</sup>**

[Date approved: April 8, 2010]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** S. 1950 (Mr. Johnny Isakson of Georgia).

**Proponent name,<sup>3</sup> location:** DuPont, Wilmington, DE.

**Other bills on product (111<sup>th</sup> Congress only):** None.

**Nature of bill:** Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2011.

**Retroactive effect:** None.

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

Mixtures of 1-(2-chlorophenylsulfonyl)-3-(4-methoxy-6-methyl-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl)urea (Chlorsulfuron) (CAS No. 64902-72-3) and methyl 2-(4-methoxy-6-methyl-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl)carbamoylsulfamoylbenzoate (Metsulfuron methyl) (CAS No. 74223-64-6) and inert ingredients (provided for in subheading 3808.93.15).

**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 mixtures are used on wheat and barley for the control of broadleaf weeds. The subject mixtures are imported from Australia.

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<sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at [http://www.usitc.gov/tariff\\_affairs/congress\\_reports/](http://www.usitc.gov/tariff_affairs/congress_reports/).

<sup>3</sup> The sponsor/proponent did not identify any additional beneficiaries of this bill.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue for the subject product classifiable in HTS subheading 3808.93.15:**

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
<del>Col. 1-General rate of duty</del>					
Col. 1-General rate of duty	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports <sup>a b</sup>	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000
Customs revenue loss <sup>c</sup>	\$455,000	\$455,000	\$455,000	\$455,000	\$455,000

a/ Dutiable import estimates were provided by industry sources.

b/ The proponent notes that one of the inputs in the mixture can be sourced from either Puerto Rico or China. The imports from Australia containing the input from Puerto Rico can enter free of duty under the United States-Australia Free Trade Agreement. The dutiable imports from Australia are those containing the input obtained from China.

c/ At the request of Congress, customs revenue loss is provided for 5 years, although the effective period of the proposed legislation may differ.

**Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):**

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
			(Yes/No)	
DuPont (Proponent) Elaine M. Olsen Elaine.M.Olsen@USA.dupont.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
3M Company Megan Ivory Carr, mmivory@mmm.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
BASF Corporation Gregory A. Thies, gregory.thies@basf.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
Bayer Corporation Karen Niedermeyer karen.niedermeyer.b@bayer.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
Chemtura Corp. Lloyd N. Moon, lloyd.moon@chemtura.com Matt Mattingley, matt@mattingleygroup.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemicals Michelle Forte, Michelle.Forte@cibasc.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
Daikin America Inc. Gary Stanitis, gstanitis@daikin-america.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
Dixie Chemicals Malcolm Johnson, mjohnson@dixiechemical.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
Dow Chemical Co. Lisa Schroeter, LMSchroeter@dow.com Max Turnipseed, mctint@att.net	12/08/2009	No	No	No
Evonik Industries AG Russell Mait, russell.mait@evonik.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
Fanwood Chemical Inc. V. M. (Jim) DeLisi JdeLisi@fanwoodchemical.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Freudenberg-NOK Ronald Guest, rsg@fnacc.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
GFS Chemicals John Long, JohnL@gfschemicals.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
LANXESS Corp. Jamie Schaeffer, jamie.schaeffer@lanxess.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
Monsanto Company Michael Parrish, Michael.Parrish@monsanto.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No
Solutia Inc. Bob Hurley, Rhurley@TheAccordGroup.com Kassie Wooton, KDWoot@solutia.com	12/08/2009	No	No	No

**Technical comments:<sup>4</sup>**

The Commission staff suggests that the article description on page 1 of this report be used to reflect the correct chemical nomenclature.

<sup>4</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.

111TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 1950

To suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures of Chlorsulfuron (2-Chloro-N-[(4-methoxy-6-methyl-1, 3, 5-triazin-2-yl)aminocarbonyl]benzenesulfonamide) and metsulfuron methyl (Methyl 2[[[(4-methoxy-6-methyl-1, 3, 5-triazin-2-yl)arnino]carbonyl]amino]sulfonyl] benzoate) and inert ingredients.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 28, 2009

Mr. ISAKSON introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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## 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. MIXTURES OF CHLORSULFURON (2-CHLORO-N-**  
 2 **[(4-METHOXY-6-METHYL-1,3,5-TRIAZIN-2-YL)**  
 3 **AMINOCARBONYL]BENZENESULFONAMIDE)**  
 4 **AND METSULFURON METHYL (METHYL 2[[[(4-**  
 5 **METHOXY-6-METHYL-1,3,5-TRIAZIN-2-**  
 6 **YL)ARNINO]CARBONYL]AMINO]SULFONYL]**  
 7 **BENZOATE) AND INERT INGREDIENTS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of  
 9 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is  
 10 amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following  
 11 new heading:

“	9902.01.00	Mixtures of Chlorsulfuron (2-Chloro-N-[(4-methoxy-6-methyl-1, 3, 5-triazin-2-yl) aminocarbonyl] benzenesulfonamide) (CAS No. 64902-72-3) and metsulfuron methyl (Methyl 2 [[[(4-methoxy- 6-methyl-1, 3, 5-triazin-2-yl) arnino] carbonyl]amino] sulfonyl] benzoate) (CAS No. 74223-64-6) and inert ingredients (provided for in subheading 3808.93.15) .....	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2011	”.
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12 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
 13 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from  
 14 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after  
 15 the date of the enactment of this Act.

