

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: May 20, 2010]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** S. 2352 (Mr. George Voinovich of Ohio et al.).

**Proponent name,<sup>3</sup> location:** Rhein Chemie Corporation, Chardon, OH.

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

**Nature of bill:** Extension of temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2011.<sup>4</sup>

**Retroactive effect:** None.

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

Mixtures of 3-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-1,1-dimethylurea (CAS No. 330-54-1) (Diuron) (CAS No. 330-54-1) with acrylate rubber (provided for in subheading 3812.10.50).

**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 a synthetic organic chemical that is used as a crosslinking agent for rubber, particularly that rubber used in transportation-related and technical rubber goods. The product is imported from Germany.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue for the subject product classifiable in HTS subheading 3812.10.50:**

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
<del>Col. 1-General rate of duty</del>					
Col. 1-General rate of duty	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports <sup>a</sup>	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
Customs revenue loss <sup>b</sup>	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000

a/ Dutiable import estimates were based on official U.S. Government statistics and import estimates provided by industry sources.

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

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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.

<sup>4</sup> Heading 9902.12.75 expired on December 31, 2009.

**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)		
Rhein Chemie Corporation (Proponent) Jamie Schaeffer, jamie.schaeffer@lanxess.com	12/15/2009	No	No	No
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**Technical comments:<sup>5</sup>**

The Commission staff suggests that the article description of HTS heading 9902.12.75 be amended to use the article description on page 1 of this report because it contains the chemical name written using IUPAC nomenclature, and it provides the common chemical name in parentheses.

<sup>5</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. 2352

To extend temporarily the suspension of duty on Rhenogran Diuron-80.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 29, 2009

Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself and Mr. BROWN) introduced the following bill;  
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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## A BILL

To extend temporarily the suspension of duty on Rhenogran  
Diuron-80.

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. RHENOGRAN DIURON-80.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.12.75 of the Har-  
5 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to  
6 Rhenogran Diuron-80) is amended by striking the date  
7 in the effective column period and inserting “12/31/2011”.

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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