

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. 2363 (Mr. George Voinovich of Ohio et al.).

**Proponent name,<sup>3</sup> location:** Procter & Gamble, Cincinnati, OH.

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

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

**Retroactive effect:** None.

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

3-Methyl-4-(2,6,6-trimethylcyclohex-2-enyl)but-3-en-2-one (Methylionone) (CAS No. 1335-46-2)  
(provided for in subheading 2914.23.00).

**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 liquid fragrance chemical having a woody, orris (iris) scent. The chemical is used in formulations to make finished perfumes for various laundry, household, and beauty care consumer products. The product is produced in several different grades of isomers or mixtures thereof, and is known to be imported from Switzerland by the proponent's supplier, and from the United Kingdom by a competing firm, International Flavors & Fragrances, Inc.

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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 9902.11.10 expired on December 31, 2009.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue for the subject product classifiable in HTS subheading 2914.23.00:**

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Col. 1-General rate of duty	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports <sup>a</sup>	\$9,000,000	\$9,000,000	\$9,000,000	\$9,000,000	\$9,000,000
Customs revenue loss <sup>b c</sup>	\$441,000	\$441,000	\$441,000	\$441,000	\$441,000

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.

c/ The estimated customs revenue loss is based on a temporary reduction of the general rate of duty from 5.5 percent ad valorem to 0.6 percent ad valorem, a reduction of 4.9 percentage points.

**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)		
Procter & Gamble (Proponent) Matt Mattingley, matt@mattingleygroup.com	12/24/2009	No	No	No
Bayer Corp. Karen Niedermayer, karen.niedermayer.b@bayer.com	12/24/2009	No	No	No
International Flavors and Fragrances John Helm, john.helm@iff.com	12/24/2009	No	No	No
LANXESS Jamie Schaeffer, jamie.schaeffer@lanxess.com	12/24/2009	No	No	No

**Technical comments:**<sup>5</sup> None.

<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. 2363

To extend and modify temporarily the suspension of duty on Methylionone.

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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 and modify temporarily the suspension of duty  
on Methylionone.

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. METHYLIONONE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.11.10 of the Har-  
5 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to  
6 3-Methyl-4-(2,6,6-trimethylcyclohex-2-enyl)but-3-en-2-one  
7 (Methylionone)) is amended—

8 (1) by striking the rate in the Rates of Duty,  
9 General column, and inserting “0.6%”; and

10 (2) by striking the date in the effective period  
11 column and inserting “12/31/2011”.

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 the enactment of this Act.

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