

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: June 22, 2010]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** S. 2514 (Mr. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina).

**Proponent name,<sup>3</sup> location:** LANXESS Corporation, Simpsonville, SC.

**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)):**

*o*-Dichlorobenzene (CAS No. 95-50-1) (provided for in subheading 2903.61.20).

**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 primarily as a process solvent. The product is imported from Germany.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue for the subject product classifiable in HTS subheading 2903.61.20:**

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
<del>Col. 1-General rate of duty</del>					
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>	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$420,000	\$450,000	\$450,000
Customs revenue loss <sup>b</sup>	\$22,000	\$22,000	\$23,100	\$24,750	\$24,750

a/ Dutiable import estimates were based on official U.S. Government statistics.

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.

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

The Commission staff notes that the initial letter “o” should be in italics, as shown on page 1 of this report.

<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. 2514

To suspend temporarily the duty on o-Dichlorobenzene.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 29, 2009

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

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## A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on o-Dichlorobenzene.

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. O-DICHLOROBENZENE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of  
5 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is  
6 amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following  
7 new heading:

“	9902.01.00	o-Dichlorobenzene (CAS No. 95-50-1) (provided for in subheading 2903.61.20) .....	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2011	”.
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8 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
9 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

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

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