

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 4, 2010]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** S. 2707 (Mr. Sheldon Whitehouse of Rhode Island et al.).

**Proponent name,<sup>3</sup> location:** Clariant Corporation, Charlotte, NC.

**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)):**

Butanamide, N-(4-chloro-2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-[2-[2,5-dimethoxy-4-[(phenylamino)sulfonyl]phenyl] diazenyl]-3-oxo (Pigment Yellow 97) (CAS No. 12225-18-2) (provided for in subheading 3204.17.04).

**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 bright greenish yellow, synthetic organic pigment with good weather fastness. It is used in coatings. The product is imported from Germany.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue for the subject product classifiable in HTS subheading 3204.17.04:**

	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</sup>	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Customs revenue loss <sup>b</sup>	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$65,000

a/ Dutiable import estimates were 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 did not identify any additional beneficiaries of this bill.

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

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		(Yes/No)		
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Apollo Color, Inc. Dave Klebine, 815-722-3965 <a href="mailto:dklebine@apollocolors.com">dklebine@apollocolors.com</a>	11/30/2009	No	No	No
BASF Corp. Greg Thies, 202-558-5101 <a href="mailto:gregory.thies@basf.com">gregory.thies@basf.com</a>	11/30/2009	No	No	No
CDR Pigments & Dispersions Craig Foster, 270-737-0318 <a href="mailto:craig.foster@pigments.flintgrp.com">craig.foster@pigments.flintgrp.com</a>	11/30/2009	No	No	No
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Mason Color Works, Inc. Carol Mason Cronin, 330-385-4400 <a href="mailto:ccronin@masoncolor.com">ccronin@masoncolor.com</a>	11/30/2009	No	No	No
Nation Ford Chemical Co. John Dickson, <a href="mailto:dicksonj@nationfordchem.com">dicksonj@nationfordchem.com</a>	11/30/2009	No	No	No
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**Technical comments:<sup>4</sup>**

The Commission staff suggests that the article description include the Color Index name, 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. 2707

To suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Yellow 97.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 2, 2009

Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. REED) 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 Pigment Yellow 97.

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. PIGMENT YELLOW 97.**

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	Butanamide, N-(4-chloro-2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-[2-[2,5-dimethoxy-4-[(phenylamino)sulfonyl]phenyl]diazenyl]-3-oxo (CAS No. 12225-18-2) (provided for in subheading 3204.17.04) .....	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2011	”.
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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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