



MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 112th Congress

Date approved

I. Background

Bill number:

Sponsor name:

Sponsor state:

Interested entity:

Name

City

State

Other bills on product (112th Congress only):

Nature of bill:

Expiration date:

Current or previous chapter 99 heading:

Retroactive date:

CAS number (if applicable):

Industry analyst:

Telephone:

Tariff Affairs contact:

Telephone:

Note:

1. Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://www.usitc.gov/tariff_affairs/congress_reports/.
2. In regard to the country(ies) of origin listed in section III, this report focuses on dutiable imports and does not take into account any tariff preference programs or special rates of duty.

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

Strontium halophosphate doped with europium used as a luminophore (CAS Nos. 109037-74-3 and 1312-81-8) (provided for in subheading 3206.50.00)

(If enacted, the tariff relief provided for in this bill would be available to any entity that imports the product that is covered by the bill.)

Description above compared with bill as introduced:

- Same
 Different (see Technical Comments section)

III. Other product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports

The subject product is a phosphor material for use in fluorescent lighting products. It is imported from China.
There is a Chapter 99 provision that covers this product (9902.22.73). This provision expired on December 31, 2009. Commission staff recommends renewing the provision.

IV. Estimated effect on customs revenue

Table with 6 columns: Item, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017. Rows include Subject product HTS subheading(s), Col.1-general rate of duty or percentage point reduction (%), Estimated value of dutiable imports (\$), and Customs revenue loss (\$).

Dutiable imports were based on (more than one may apply):

- Official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce
 Provided by industry sources
 Industry information
 Commission estimates

Duty reduction notes:

- This bill is not a duty reduction
 This bill is a temporary duty reduction. Rates are shown below.

Col.1-general duty rate (%) [] Temporary rate (%) [] Percentage point reduction (%) []

V. Technical comments

None

VI. Continuation

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VII. Contacts with domestic firms/organizations

	#	Firm/organization and contact name	Telephone number	Claims same or competing product made in the United States	Submission attached	Opposition noted
	1	GE Lighting (Interested entity) Michael Wozniak	216-266-3011	No	No	No
	2	Emerson Electric Robert McDonald	202-662-8790	No	No	No
	3	Global Tungsten and Powders Paul Sedor	570-268-5000	No	No	No
	4	OSRAM SYLVANIA Pamela Horner	978-777-1900	No	No	No
	5	Philips Electronics Randall Moorhead	202-962-8555	No	No	No

112TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5722

To suspend temporarily the duty on strontium europium halophosphate for use in the production of fluorescent lamps.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 10, 2012

Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on strontium europium halophosphate for use in the production of fluorescent lamps.

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. STRONTIUM EUROPIUM HALOPHOSPHATE.**

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	Strontium halophosphate doped with europium used as a luminophore (CAS Nos. 109037-74-3 and 1312-81-8) (provided for in subheading 3206.50.00)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2015	”.
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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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