

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 108th Congress ¹**

[Date approved: August 27, 2004]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 4539 (Mr.Langevin)

Proponent name, location: Clariant Corporation, 500 Washington Street, Coventry, RI 02816

Other bills on product (108th Congress only): None.

Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through 12/31/2006.

Retroactive effect: None.

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

Pigment yellow 214 (CAS No. 254430-12-5) (provided for in subheading 3204.17.90)

Check one: Same as that in bill as introduced
 Different from that in bill as introduced (explain differences in Technical comments section)

Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

This synthetic organic pigment is used for coloring plastics. It has high heat stability and good light fastness, and it resists warping. The product is imported from Germany.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Larry Johnson (202-205- 3351); Tariff Affairs contact: Dave Beck (202-205-2603).

² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at <http://www.usitc.gov/billrpts.htm> Access to a paper copy is available at the Commission's Law Library (202-205-3287) or at the Commission's Main Library (202-205-2630).

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: 3204.17.90					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Col. 1-General rate of duty (AVE) <u>1/</u>	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$40,000	\$60,000	\$80,000	\$100,000	\$120,000
Customs revenue loss	\$2,600	\$3,900	\$5,200	\$6,500	\$7,800

1/ The AVE is the ad valorem equivalent of a specific or compound duty rate expressed as a percent, using the most recent import data available.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

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

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Clariant Corp., Mr. Andy Zamoyski, (401) 823-2230	06/20/04	No	No	No
Allegheny Color Corp., Mr. Jon Gallisdorfer, (815) 741-2588	06/20/04	No	No	No
Apollo Color, Inc., Mr. Tom Rogers, (815) 722-3965	06/20/04	No	No	No
BASF Corp., Mr. Phil Webb, (704) 398-2588	06/20/04	No	No	No
CDR Pigments & Dispersions, Rucker Wickline, (270) 737-1700	06/20/04	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemical Corp., Mr. John Deming	06/20/04	No	No	No
Diacolor-Pope, Mr. Bob Turkos, (973) 279-2702	06/20/04	No	No	No

Fanwood Chemical Co., Mr Jim DeLisi, (908) 322-8440	06/20/04	No	No	No
Galaxie Chemical Corp., Mr. Richard Caldwell, (973) 279-0558	06/20/04	No	No	No
Magruder Color Co., Inc., Mr. Joel Weissglass, (973) 241-1300	06/20/04	No	No	No
Mason Color Works, Inc. Ms. Carol Mason Cronin, (330) 385-4400	06/20/04	No	No	No
Max Marx Color Corp., Mr. Walter Sichel, (973) 373-7801	06/20/04	No	No	No
PMC Inc., Mr. Gordon McCullough	06/20/04	No	No	No
Sun Chemical Corp., Mr. Ed Faulkner, (513) 681-5950	06/20/04	No	No	No

Technical comments:³

The word “Yellow” in the proposed article description should not be capitalized.

³ 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.

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108TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4539

To suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Yellow 214.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 9, 2004

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

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Yellow 214.

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 214.**

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:

“	9902.34.52	Pigment Yellow 214 (CAS No. 254430–12–5) (provided for in subheading 3204.17.90)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2006	”.
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8 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
9 subsection (a) applies with respect to goods entered, or

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

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