

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 109th Congress¹**

[Date approved: August 3, 2005]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 1274 (Mr. Baird)

Proponent name, location: Solvay Interox, Inc.
3500 Industrial Way
Longview, WA 98362-9482

Other bills on product (109th Congress only): None.

Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2006.³

Retroactive effect: None.

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

9,10-Anthracenedione, 2-pentyl- (CAS No. 13936-21-5) (provided for in subheading 2914.69.90) or a 50 percent solution thereof in aromatic hydrocarbon solvent (provided for in subheading 3824.90.28).

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:

The synthetic organic chemical, 9,10-anthracenedione, 2-pentyl-, is a syrupy, yellow, odorless liquid, also known as amyl anthraquinone, used primarily in a patented process to produce hydrogen peroxide. According to the U.S. consumer, other substitutable products are not as efficient in production of hydrogen peroxide using this patented production process. U.S. imports of this product are primarily from the Netherlands and Germany.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Ed Cappuccilli (202-205-3368); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202 205-3440).

² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/index.htm.

³ According to the proponent, the correct closing date should be December 31, 2008.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: 2914.69.9000					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Col. 1-General rate of duty (AVE) <u>1/</u>	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$1,295,000	\$1,295,000	\$1,295,000	\$1,295,000	\$1,295,000
Customs revenue loss	\$71,225	\$71,225	\$71,225	\$71,225	\$71,225

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: 3824.90.2800					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
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	\$1,230,000	\$1,230,000	\$1,230,000	\$1,230,000	\$1,230,000
Customs revenue loss	\$79,950	\$79,950	\$79,950	\$79,950	\$79,950

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

Based on the information above, the total estimated Customs revenue loss would be approximately \$151,175 per year.

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)		
Solvay Interlox, Inc. (Proponent) Max Turnipseed Telephone: 225-338-0310	06/03/2005	No	No	No
Alfa Chemical Corp. President Fax: 516-504-0039	06/07/2005	No	No	No
Atofina Chemical Corp. President Fax: 215-419-7591	06/07/2005	No	No	No
Corco Chemicals President Fax: 215-295-0781	06/07/2005	No	No	No
Degussa Corp. President Fax: 973-541-8380	06/10/2005	No	No	No
Eka Chemicals Ms. Adela Guerrero Fax: 770-321-5849	06/10/2005	No	No	No
FMC Corp. President Fax: 215-299-6291	06/07/2005	No	No	No
Hercules, Inc. President Fax: 302-594-5400	06/07/2005	No	No	No
KRS Co. President Fax: 812-422-7577	06/07/2005	No	No	No

Technical comments:⁴ The Commission suggests that the article description presented on page 1 of this report be used in the proposed new heading, as it reflects the type of solvent used in the chemical mixture.

According to a representative of the sponsor, the effective period in the proposed new heading should be changed to 12/31/2008.⁵

⁴ 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.

⁵ Telephone conversation with Mr. Max Turnipseed on June 9, 2005.

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1274

To suspend temporarily the duty on amyl-anthraquinone.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 14, 2005

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

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on amyl-anthraquinone.

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. AMYL-ANTHRAQUINONE.**

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:

“	9902.04.22	9, 10-Anthracenedione (CAS No. 13936-21-5) (provided for in subheading 2914.69.90 in pure form or 3824.90.28 in 50% solution)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2006	”.
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8 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
9 this section shall apply with respect to goods entered, or

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

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