

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

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

[Date approved: September 12, 2005]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 2091 (Mr. Peter Hoekstra of Michigan)

Proponent name, location: ESCO Company Limited Partnership
Muskegon, MI 49443-0448

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

Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2008.

Retroactive effect: None.

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

4-Methoxy-2-methyldiphenylamine (CAS No. 41317-15-1) (provided for in subheading 2922.29.60)

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:

4-Methoxy-2-methyldiphenylamine is a synthetic organic chemical used in the production of black color formers. Paper manufacturers use color formers to produce thermal and carbonless paper for a variety of receipts, labels, tickets, tags, and multipart forms. This chemical is imported from Japan.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Eric Land (202-205-3349); Tariff Affairs contact: Dave 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.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>2922.29.60</u>					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Col. 1-General rate of duty	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$9,400,000	\$9,400,000	\$9,400,000	\$9,400,000	\$9,400,000
Customs revenue loss	\$611,000	\$611,000	\$611,000	\$611,000	\$611,000

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)		
ESCO Company Limited Partnership (proponent) Bob Pleasant fax:231-727-6452	7/20/2005	No	No	No
BASF, Funct. Polymers Bus. Group Joseph C. Breunig fax:704-587-7903	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Bayer Corporation Karen Neidermeyer fax:412-777-7743	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Carey Industries, Inc. Raymond J. Carey fax:203-791-2762	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp. Michelle Forte fax:914-785-4831	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Clariant Corp. Ken Golder fax:704-377-1063	7/21/2005	No	No	No
CPMA Larry Robinson fax:703-684-1795	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Color Resources Int'l. Inc. Wayne Jones fax:864-862-6824	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Colorants & Textile Leather Chemicals Michael Strumpp fax:973-426-3542	7/21/2005	No	No	No

ColorChem Steve Printz fax:770-993-4780	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Day-Glo Richard Thornton fax:216-391-1408	7/21/2005	No	No	No
DyStar L.P. Van Hawkins fax:704-561-3005	7/21/2005	No	No	No
ETAD Tucker Helms fax:202-296-8120	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Everlight USA, Inc. Scott Chen fax:704-588-0051	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Fanwood Chemical, Inc. Jim DeLisi fax:908-322-8494	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Milliken Ray Sanders fax:864-503-1618	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Monsanto Corp. Linda Strachan fax:202-783-2467	7/21/2005	No	No	No
NFC John Dickson fax:803-548-2683	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Noveon Tom Dirmeyer fax:512-841-4841	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Noviant Paul Schmidt fax:512-841-4841	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Passaic Color John Wojciechowski fax:973-279-3175	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Rohm & Haas Steven Volger fax:215-592-2550	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Roma Color, Inc. Andrew Blum fax:508-676-9011	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Sensient Technical Colors Dan Victor fax:610-582-6663	7/21/2005	No	No	No
United Color Co. Tom Nowakowski fax:215-860-8560	7/21/2005	No	No	No
Yorkshire Americas, Inc. Allen Hughes fax:704-376-3091	7/21/2005	No	No	No

Technical comments:³ None.

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.

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2091

To suspend temporarily the duty on 4-Methoxy-2-methyldiphenylamine.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 4, 2005

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

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on 4-Methoxy-2-
methyldiphenylamine.

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. 4-METHOXY-2-METHYLDIPHENYLAMINE.**

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:

“	9902.05.55	4-Methoxy-2- methyldiphenylamine (CAS No. 41317-15-1) (provided for in subheading 2922.29.60)	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2008	”.
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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 enactment of this Act.

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