MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 109th Congress

(Date approved: November 8, 2005)

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 2434 (Mr. Tim Murphy of Pennsylvania).

Proponent name, location: H.C. Starck Inc., Newton, MA.

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


Retroactive effect: None.

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

Aqueous catalytic preparations based on iron (III) toluenesulfonate (CAS No. 77214–82–5) (provided for in subheading 3815.90.50).

Check one:   X  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:

This product is a preparation used in the production of capacitors and printed circuit boards. The product is imported from Germany.
Estimated effect on customs revenue:

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<th>HTS subheading: 3815.90.50</th>
<th>2005</th>
<th>2006</th>
<th>2007</th>
<th>2008</th>
<th>2009</th>
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<td>Col. 1-General rate of duty</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>Estimated value dutiable imports</td>
<td>$352,736</td>
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<td>Customs revenue loss 1/</td>
<td>$17,637</td>
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1/ Estimated revenue loss for 2005 and 2006 results from a current suspension of duty per heading 9902.38.15, which expires on December 31, 2006.
Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

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

<table>
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<th>Name of firm/organization</th>
<th>Date contacted</th>
<th>US production of same or competitive product claimed?</th>
<th>Submission attached?</th>
<th>Opposition noted?</th>
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<tr>
<td>H.C. Starck Inc.³ (Proponent)</td>
<td>9/13/2005</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>Karen Niedermeyer Tel: 412-777-2058</td>
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Technical comments:⁴ None.

³ H.C. Starck Inc. is part of the Bayer Corp.
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.
To extend the suspension of duty on Baytron C-R.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 18, 2005

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

A BILL

To extend the suspension of duty on Baytron C-R.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. BAYTRON C-R.

(a) In General.—Heading 9902.38.15 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to certain aqueous catalytic preparations) is amended by striking “12/31/2006” and inserting “12/31/2009”.

(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after the date of the enactment of this Act.