MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 109th Congress

[Date approved: November 8, 2005]

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 2441 (Mr. Tim Murphy of Pennsylvania).

Proponent name, location: LANXESS Corp., Pittsburgh, PA.

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


Retroactive effect: None.

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

1,1’-(Methylamino)dipropan-2-ol (CAS No. 4402–30–6) (provided for in subheading 2922.19.95).

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:

The subject product, commonly known as BOPA, is a synthetic organic chemical used as an additive in the manufacture of spandex products to increase fiber stability. It is imported from Germany.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

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1/ Estimated revenue loss for 2005 and 2006 results from a current suspension of duty per heading 9902.04.14, which expires on December 31, 2006.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

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

Industry analyst preparing report: Jeff Clark (202-205-3318); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202-205-3440).

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<td>LANXESS Corporation (proponent) Liese Wright, 202-872-8181</td>
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<td>Bayer Corp. Karen Niedermeyer, 412-777-2058</td>
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**Technical comments:** None.

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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.
To extend the temporary suspension of duty on BOPA.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 18, 2005

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

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A BILL

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on BOPA.

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

SECTION 1. BOPA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.04.14 of the Har-
monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to
BOPA) is amended by striking “12/31/2006” and insert-
ing “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 enactment of this Act.