

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION  
of the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress<sup>1</sup>**

[Date approved: May 14, 2008]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H.R. 4669 (Mr. James R. Langevin of Rhode Island).

**Proponent name,<sup>3</sup> location:** Clariant Corporation, Coventry, RI.

**Other bills on product (110<sup>th</sup> Congress only):** None.

**Nature of bill:** Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2011.

**Retroactive effect:** None.

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

Bisbenzimidazo[2,1-b:2',1'-i]benzo[1mn][3,8]phenanthroline-8,17-dione (VAT Orange 7) (CAS No. 4424-06-0) (provided for in subheading 3204.15.20).

**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:**

The subject product is a heat- and light-resistant organic orange pigment that is used in automotive coatings. The product is imported from Germany.

**Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

HTS subheading: <u>3204.15.20</u>					
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
<del>Col. 1-General rate of duty (AVE)</del>	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Customs revenue loss	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000

Source of estimated dutiable import data: U.S. industry estimates.

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

<sup>1</sup> Industry analyst preparing report: Stephen Wanser (202-205-3363); Tariff Affairs contact: David G. Michels (202-205-3440).

<sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at [http://www.usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\\_doc/bill\\_reports/](http://www.usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/).

<sup>3</sup> The sponsor/proponent did not identify any additional beneficiaries of this bill.

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Clariant Corporation (Proponent) Andrew Zamoyski, 202-415-9159	03/01/2008	No	No	No
Apollo Color, Inc. Dave Klebine, 815-722-3965	03/01/2008	No	No	No
BASF Corp. Greg Thies, 202-558-5101	03/01/2008	No	No	No
CDR Pigments & Dispersions Craig Foster, 270-737-0318	03/01/2008	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemical Corp. Michelle Forte, 914-785-4831	03/01/2008	No	No	No
E.C. Pigments Andrew Blum, 508-676-9011	03/01/2008	No	No	No
Fanwood Chemical Co. Jim DeLisi, 908-322-8440	03/01/2008	No	No	No
Galaxie Chemical Corp. Richard Caldwell, 973-279-0558	03/01/2008	No	No	No
Mason Color Works, Inc. Carol Mason Cronin, 330-385-4400	03/01/2008	No	No	No
Nation Ford Chemical Co. John Dickson, 803-548-2683	03/01/2008	No	No	No
PMC Inc. Zetta Bouligaraki, 513-482-7373	03/01/2008	No	No	No
Sun Chemical Corp. Ed Faulkner, 513-681-5950	03/01/2008	No	No	No

**Technical comments:<sup>4</sup>**

The Commission staff suggests that the article description on page 1 of this report be used in the proposed new heading because it includes a dash after “1” that is omitted in the bill, and it includes a space after “CAS No.”.

<sup>4</sup> 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.

110TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 4669

To suspend temporarily the duty on VAT Orange 7.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 13, 2007

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

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## A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on VAT Orange 7.

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. VAT ORANGE 7.**

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:

“	9902.01.00	Bisbenzimidazo[2,1-b:2',1''] benzo[lmn][3,8] phenan- throline-8, 17-dione (Vat Or- ange 7) (CAS No.4424-06- 0) (provided for in sub- heading 3204.15.20) .....	Free	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2011	”.
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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 the enactment of this Act.

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