

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION  
of the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress<sup>1</sup>**

[Date approved: September 20, 2005]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H. R. 2145 (Mr. Henry E. Brown of South Carolina)

**Proponent name, location:** LANXESS Corp.  
Goose Creek, SC

**Other bills on product (109<sup>th</sup> Congress only):** None.

**Nature of bill:** Temporary duty suspension through 12/31/2009.

**Retroactive effect:** None.

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

2,2,4-Trimethyl-1,2-dihydroquinoline polymer (CAS No. 26780-96-1) (provided for in subheading 3812.30.60).

**Check one:**      Same as that in bill as introduced.  
                   Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section).

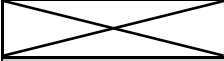
**Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:**

The product is sold under the trade name VULKANOX® HS/LG, known generically as TMQ, a polymerized quinoline derivative used as a general purpose antioxidant in rubber. This product was invented by B.F. Goodrich, and is manufactured in the United States by Noveon of Akron, OH. TMQ is supplied in yellow to amber colored lentil-shaped granules. It offers protection against oxidation and heat as well as against rubber poisons. The product is used in conjunction with p-phenylenediamines for heavily stressed technical rubber goods and tires. The product is also used in the automotive industry for the manufacturing of roll covers, buffers, conveyor and transmission belting, hoses, profiles and seals. It is also suitable for boots and footwear soles and heels. TMQ is known to be imported from several countries, including Germany, Brazil (GSP eligible), Italy, and the United Kingdom.

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

**Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

| <b>HTS subheading: <u>3812.30.60</u></b>  |             |             |             |             |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | 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   | \$6,450,000 | \$5,900,000 | \$6,000,000 | \$6,200,000 | \$6,400,000 |
| Customs revenue loss  | \$419,250   | \$383,500   | \$390,000   | \$403,000   | \$416,000   |

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Commission and 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)  |                      |                   |
| LANXESS Corporation (Petitioner)<br>Mr. Seth Tomei Phone: 412-809-3664<br>Ms. Jamie Schaeffer Phone: 412-809-3666<br>Mr. Steve Ziehm Phone: 202-872-8181 | 05/03/2005<br>05/04/2005<br>05/04/2005 | No  | No                   | No                |
| Bann Quimica Ltda.<br>Mr. Renata Campos<br>Phone: 9-011-55-11-3755-5100  | 05/05/2005                             | No  | Yes                  | No                |
| Chemtura Corporation<br>Ms. Liz Thomasino Phone: 203-573-2644  | 05/05/2005                             | No  | No                   | No                |
| Dow Chemical Company<br>Ms. Lisa Schroeder Phone: 202-429-3400   | 08/03/2005                             | No  | No                   | No                |
| Flexsys America L.P.<br>Mr. Byron Towe Phone: 330-668-8273   | 08/05/2005                             | No  | No                   | No                |
| Lubrizol Corporation<br>David Cowen, 440-943-4200  | 08/15/2005                             | Yes   | Yes                  | Yes               |
| Noveon, Incorporated<br>Mr. Pete Getzinger 330-374-3577  | 08/05/2005                             | Yes   | No                   | No                |

**Technical comments:** None.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</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.

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 2145

To suspend temporarily the duty on TMQ.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 5, 2005

Mr. BROWN of South Carolina 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 TMQ.

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. TMQ.**

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:

|   |            |   |      |           |           |                         |    |
|---|------------|---|------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|----|
| “ | 9902.06.09 | 2,2,4-Trimethyl-1,2-dihydroquinoline polymer (CAS No. 26780-96-1) (provided for in subheading 3812.30.60) ..... | Free | No change | No change | On or before 12/31/2009 | ”. |
|---|------------|---|------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|----|

8 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
9 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

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

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