

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 28, 2005]<sup>2</sup>

**Bill No. and sponsor:** H.R. 2281 (Mr. Phil English of Pennsylvania)

**Proponent name, location:** BASF Corporation (headquarters)  
Florham Park, NJ 07932

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

**Nature of bill:** Temporary duty suspension through 12/31/2008.

**Retroactive effect:** None.

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

2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate (CAS No. 5466-77-3) (provided for in subheading 2918.90.43)

**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:**

2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate is a synthetic organic chemical used as a UVB filter in sunscreens and skin-care products. BASF imports the product from Germany.

<sup>1</sup> Industry analyst preparing report: Philip Stone (202-205-3424); Tariff Affairs contact: David Michels (202-205-3440).

<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: 2918.90.43</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	\$4,054,000	\$4,054,000	\$4,054,000	\$4,054,000	\$4,054,000
Customs revenue loss	\$263,510	\$263,510	\$263,510	\$263,510	\$263,510

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)		
BASF Corporation (proponent) Tom Coleman, 202-289-3900	18/15/2005	No	No	No
Aldrich Chemical Co. Cynthia Hening, 414-287-4059	08/15/2005	No	No	No
Firmenich Inc. Laura Heybur, 609-452-8063	08/15/2005	No	No	No
International Flavors and Fragrances Tom Kinlin, 732-335-2244	08/15/2005	No	No	No
Givaudian-Roure Corp. Diane Koenig, 973-448-6532	08/15/2005	No	No	No
Koch Industries Ron Osman, 361-242-8353	08/15/2005	No	No	No
Noveon Tom Dirmyer, 216-447-5720	08/15/2005	No	No	No
Penta Manufacturing Co. George Volpe, 973-740-1839	08/15/2005	No	No	No

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

<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. 2281

To suspend temporarily the duty on 2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 11, 2005

Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania 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 2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate.

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. 2-ETHYLHEXYL 4-METHOXYCINNAMATE.**

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:

“	9902.09.13	2-Ethylhexyl 4-methoxycinnamate (CAS No. 5466-77-3) (provided for in subheading 2918.90.43) .....	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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