UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20436

MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 109th Congress ¹

[Date approved: November 10, 2005]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 2548 (Mr. James R. Langevin of Rhode Island).
Proponent name, location: Clariant Corporation, Coventry, RI.
Other bills on product (109th Congress only): None.
Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2008.
Retroactive effect: None.
Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):
Pigment Brown 25 (CAS No. 6992-11-6) (provided for in subheading 3204.17.04).
Check one: X Same as that in bill as introduced

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

Pigment Brown 25 is a synthetic organic chemical pigment that has excellent weather fastness and good flow properties. It is used primarily in automotive finishes and high quality industrial coatings. The proponent imports this product from Germany.

___ Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section)

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: <u>3204.17.04</u>					
	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	\$165,000	\$170,000	\$175,000	\$180,000	\$190,000
Customs revenue loss	\$10,725	\$11,050	\$11,375	\$11,700	\$12,350

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates and Commission estimates.

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

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: Eric Land (202-205-3349); Tariff Affairs contact: Dave Michels (202-205-3440).

² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/index.htm.

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 Fax: 401-823-2700	9/13/2005	No	No	No
BASF Joseph C. Bruening Fax: 704-587-7903	9/20/2005	No	No	No
Bayer Karen Niedermeyer Fax: 412-777-4740	9/20/2005	No	No	No
CMPA Larry Robinson Fax: 703-684-1795	9/20/2005	No	No	No
Ciba Specialty Chemicals John Deming Fax: 302-479-5152	9/20/2005	No	No	No
ColorChem Steven Printz Fax: 770-993-4780	9/20/2005	No	No	No
Color Resources International Inc. Wayne Jones Fax: 864-862-6824	9/20/2005	No	No	No
Day-Glo Corp. Richard Thompson Fax: 216-391-1408	9/20/2005	No	No	No
DyStar L.P. Van Hawkins Fax: 704-561-3005	9/20/2005	No	No	No
ETAD North America Tucker Helms Fax: 202-296-8120	9/20/2005	No	No	No
Engelhard Corporation David Bushnell tel.:301-654-8316 email: Dbjmdassoc@aol.com	9/20/2005	No	No	No
Everlight USA Scott Chen Fax: 704-588-0051	9/20/2005	No	No	No
Fanwood Chemical Jim DeLisi Fax: 908-322-8494	9/20/2005	No	No	No
Milliken Chemical Ray Sanders Fax: 864-503-1618	9/20/2005	No	No	No

NFC John Dickson Fax: 803-548-2683	9/20/2005	No	No	No
Noveon Tom Dirmyer Fax: 216-447-5720	9/20/2005	No	No	No
Passaic Color John Wojciechowski Fax: 973-279-3175	9/20/2005	No	No	No
Rohm & Haas Steven Volger Fax: 215-592-2550	9/20/2005	No	No	No
United Color Tom Nowakowski Fax: 215-860-8560	9/20/2005	No	No	No

Technical comments:³ None.

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.

109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2548

To suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Brown 25.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 23, 2005

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

A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on Pigment Brown 25.

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

- 3 SECTION 1. PIGMENT BROWN 25.
- 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:

"	9902.09.82	Pigment Brown 25 (CAS No. 6992–11–6) (provided					
		for in subheading 3204.17.04)	Free	No change	No change	On or before	
		· l				12/31/2008	".

- 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 enactment of this Act.

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