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The Honorable Max Baucus
Chairman
Senate Committee on Finance
219 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Dave Camp
Chairman
Committee on Ways and Means
1102 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Re: **Miscellaneous Trade and Tariff Legislation**

Dear Chairmen Baucus and Camp:

I am writing on behalf of E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company ("DuPont") in regard to legislation pending before the 112th Congress which, if enacted, would provide for the temporary suspension of duties for certain titanium dioxide products. DuPont is opposed to specific bills, S.3070 and H.R. 5339 to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures comprising titanium dioxide and decyl(trimethoxy)silane, S. 3075 and H.R. 5538 to suspend temporarily the duty on mixtures comprising titanium dioxide, silica, and decyl(trimethoxy)silane, S. 2457 and H.R. 5200 to suspend temporarily the duty on anatase titanium dioxide, S. 2662 and H.R. 5457 to suspend temporarily the duty on pigments based on titanium dioxide and H.R. 5196 o suspend temporarily the duty on Microcrystalline anatase-type titanium dioxide.

DuPont is a science company committed to creating sustainable solutions essential to a better, safer, healthier life for people everywhere. We offer a wide range of innovative products and services for markets including agriculture, nutrition and health, electronics, safety and protection and home and construction.

Among the world's largest producers of titanium dioxide ("TiO2"), DuPont has been making titanium-based white pigments for paper, coatings, plastics and specialty applications since 1931 at United States' manufacturing sites in Starke, Florida; Edge Moor, Delaware; New Johnsonville, Tennessee; DeLisle, Mississippi and corporate offices in Wilmington, Delaware.

In addition to producing TiO2 to meet the needs of today's consumer, DuPont remains committed to new product development and has dedicated employees engaged in research and development whom are actively pursuing increased product improvements and end use applications.

With the advent of significant investment in and production of TiO2 in China, increased worldwide capacity will result in increasing price pressure on TiO2. Accordingly, DuPont believes the duty suspension requests outlined above, if enacted, could lead to price erosion at the expense of domestic manufacturing operations. These lower prices would make it increasingly difficult for domestic producers, like DuPont, to continue to sustain and support future investment and growth opportunities in the United States. Ultimately, decreased domestic employment could result, jeopardizing not only DuPont and resident contract employees, but the economic viability of the communities in which we operate.

DuPont remains willing to provide any additional information you may need and is most appreciative for the opportunity to express our views.

Very truly yours,

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