

Commercial Customs Operations Advisory Committee (COAC)

Secure Trade Lanes Subcommittee: Export Modernization Working Group Government Issue Paper

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Action Required:

- Informational Only

Background:

- The COAC Export Modernization Working Group (EMWG) was announced at the February 2019 meeting of the COAC and established over the next 2 months.
- After a brief leadership meeting, the EMWG held its first full meeting on April 22, 2019 with a review of the charter and goals of the group.
- The EMWG was chartered with the following work as a goal :
 - Assist CBP in the development of an updated CBP Export Strategy focusing on development of 21st Century procedures and processes to both enhance export enforcement and facilitate exports to the benefit of the U.S. economy.
 - As CBP implements the accepted recommendations of the previous Export Subcommittee, assistance will be needed to both review and assist in the development of the operational requirements for electronic export manifest and assist in the expansion of the current pilots to full operational status.
 - Assist CBP in the development of regulatory change to mandate the use of electronic export manifest for all modes and review existing CBP export regulations to support the EMWG goals.
 - Work with CBP to implement the requirements for Post Departure filing enhancements and expansion to new participants.
 - Work with other working groups and subcommittees to identify export equities and provide feedback and content including e-Commerce and Regulatory Reform.
- A second meeting of the full EMWG was held on May 13, 2019 to review previously agreed upon documents from the former subcommittee to establish a baseline for the work to be performed by the EMWG

Issue:

- Acknowledging the trade's concerns about ending the Export Sub-committee, CBP has worked with the COAC to establish a new export modernization working group.
- The working group was established to identify ways to assist CBP to more effectively enforce export laws and regulations while leading to a more facilitative export environment that benefits the U.S. economy as a whole.

Next Steps:

- Additional conference calls are planned as well as an in-person meeting Identify potential regulatory changes including the movement of air in-bond into the same requirements as other modes of transportation.

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