

# **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 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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.
- The Export Modernization Working Group has published a white paper identifying a strategic path for CBP enforcement of U.S. export requirements.

**Issue:**

- 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.
- The focus of this session of COAC will be to implement the issues identified in the Export Working Group white paper of the last COAC focusing on:
  - Advanced electronic export manifest use by a larger percentage of the exporting carrier community,
  - Advising CBP and developing tactics to assist CBP in development and implementation of regulations mandating electronic export manifest.
  - Continuing engagement with Census and BIS to ensure compliance, remake requirements and regulations to accommodate the potential changes brought about by CBP electronic export manifest.
  - Work with the working group to develop an advanced electronic manifest program and pilot for land border truck shipments in cooperation with Mexico and Canada.
  - Continue work on the strategic vision for future changes to implement a 21<sup>st</sup> Century solution set for exports.

**Next Steps:**

- Work to turn the strategic vision of the white paper into COAC recommendations that can be tracked and implemented.

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