

**EPA ACE Pilots:
Looking for Volunteers
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Topics

- EPA-regulated commodities
- What we are doing
- What Trade can expect
- Pilot programs
- Trade Participation, Getting Started
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EPA-Regulated Commodities

Under environmental statutes administered by EPA, **six programs** have import safety responsibility.

- Statutory requirements are built on risks to human health and the environment.
- Admissibility of EPA-regulated commodities are based on compliance to statutory requirements (*reporting*).

Ozone Depleting Substances (CAA)



Vehicles and Engines (CAA)



Fuels (CAA)



Toxic Substances (TSCA)



Pesticides (FIFRA)



Hazardous Waste (RCRA)

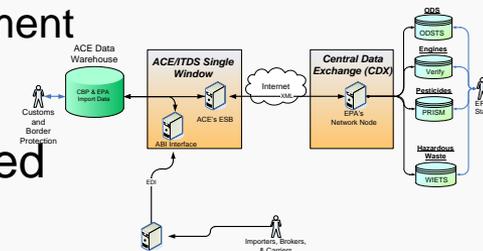




What We Are Doing: eFiling, Automated Processing

Streamline, improve reporting/processing of legal imports/exports

- *Paper to electronic filing* (Entry, Entry Summary Certified for Release, Simplified Entry/Cargo Release) –Partner Government Agency (PGA) Message Set, Automated Broker Interface (ABI)
- *Validations* to automate reviews for many EPA-regulated commodities
- *Electronic status messaging* – ABI messages (including errors and clearance)
- *Updates, corrections* – before arrival at, exit from ports



Goal: Early indication reporting requirements are met *BEFORE* cargo is loaded on a plane, truck, train, or ocean vessel.



What Trade Can Expect:

- *Shortened review/processing time* from current paper filings (in some cases from days/weeks to minutes/seconds)
- *Standardized filing process* for EPA-regulated commodities at all Ports nationwide
- *Eliminate duplicate* reporting to EPA, CBP
- *Eliminate courier fees*
- *Error responses for invalid filings* to provide specific information (data element level)
- *Ability to update and correct* PGA Message Set filings (future) prior to arrival



Pilot Programs

- Current pilots in production (April 30, 2014)



- **Ozone Depleting Substances**
- **Vehicle and Engine Declarations**

- Starting in ports of **Long Beach, Newark**



- Pilots planned for fall/winter 2014



- **Notice of Arrival for Pesticide imports**

- Starting in ports of **Chicago, Port Huron, Newark**

- **Hazardous Waste Exports** (*Spent Lead Acid Batteries*)

- Starting in ports of **Hildago, Laredo**

- Get started now

- PGA Message set samples
- Messages





Getting Started

- ***Be an ACE Filer*** - Talk to your CBP Client Rep.
- ***Document Image System (DIS) Filer***
- ***File these commodities at these ports to start***
 - *HTS Codes flagged (Ch 29, 38, 84, 85, 86, 87, 89 initially)*
- ***Construct message sets to file***

Updated CATAIR documentation, additional information:
<http://www.cbp.gov/trade/ace/catair#field-content-tab-group-tab-4>
- ***Test in Certification environment***
 - File PGA Message Set test cases (limited number)
 - Receive messages for errors
 - Receive EPA feedback on filing (*we will work with you one-on-one*)
- ***File in Production***



Summary

- EPA and CBP are testing in pilots
 - Moving to eFiling, automated processing
- Need Trade volunteers to test
 - eReporting, early filing, messaging
 - Contact your Client Rep and me if you are interested



For More Information



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Questions?



Backup Slides



Trade Participation

- ***What you will do***
 - Create message sets
 - Submit Test filings to the Certification Environment in ACE
 - Receive, respond to Customs And Border protection (CBP) notifications if needed
 - File in Production
- ***What you need to file (boiled down):***
 - Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS): approved importer of record, quantity
 - Vehicle/Engine Declaration: Data from forms 3520-1 and 21; certification number
 - Pesticides Notice of Arrival: Data from form 3540-1; registration, producer establishment number
 - Hazardous Waste Exports: Consent number