

APHIS READINESS UPDATE

Automated Commercial Environment



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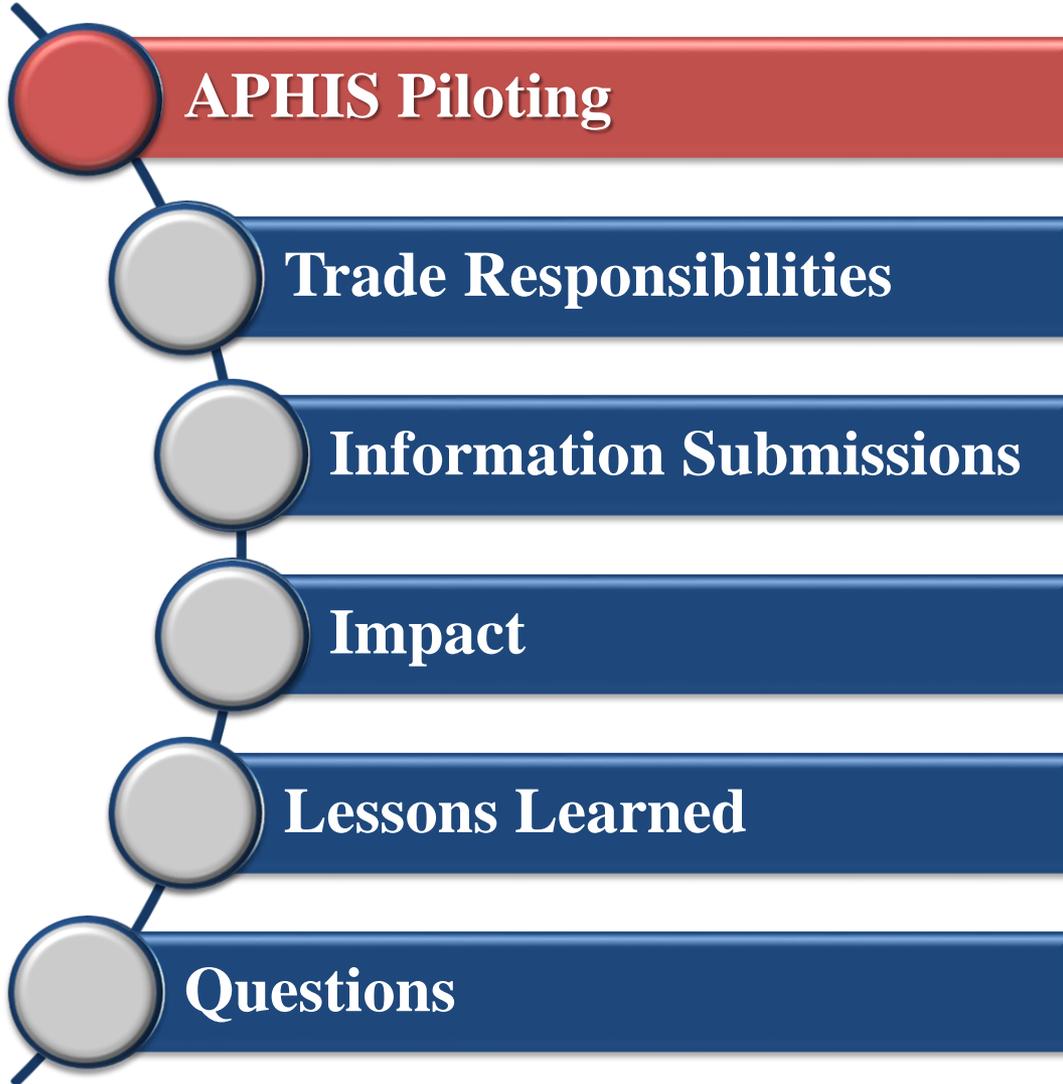
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Benefits of Piloting

- ✓ Opportunity to troubleshoot your own processes
- ✓ Provide PGAs your input, suggestions for improvements
- ✓ Ensure import/filer is trained via initial experience
- ✓ Complete testing in advance of full implementation
- ✓ Work directly with PGA and CBP officials



PPQ

Vegetables, Fruit, Plants, Cut Flowers, etc.

VS Live Animals

Live Animals, Embryos, Semen, etc.

VS Animal Products

Animal Products, Animal By-Products, Organisms & Vectors, Veterinary Biologics, etc.

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- ✓ Software containing the APHIS Message Set must be built and certified by CBP.
- ✓ If you are importing a commodity subject to the FDA Prior Notice Rule, your software for Prior Notice must also be built and certified.
- ✓ You will need to contact your CBP client representative to ensure that you are fully vetted for submission of entry and entry summaries in ACE.
- ✓ If those two steps have been successfully completed, you will then need to have your CBP client representative register you in the ACE CERT environment.



- ✓ You will then need to submit data through CERT to ensure that all coding and transmission issues have been identified and mitigated.
- ✓ Contact APHIS before submitting to CERT so that appropriate personnel are available to assist
- ✓ For the APHIS CORE programs, we need to know the commodities you most often import and the port locations



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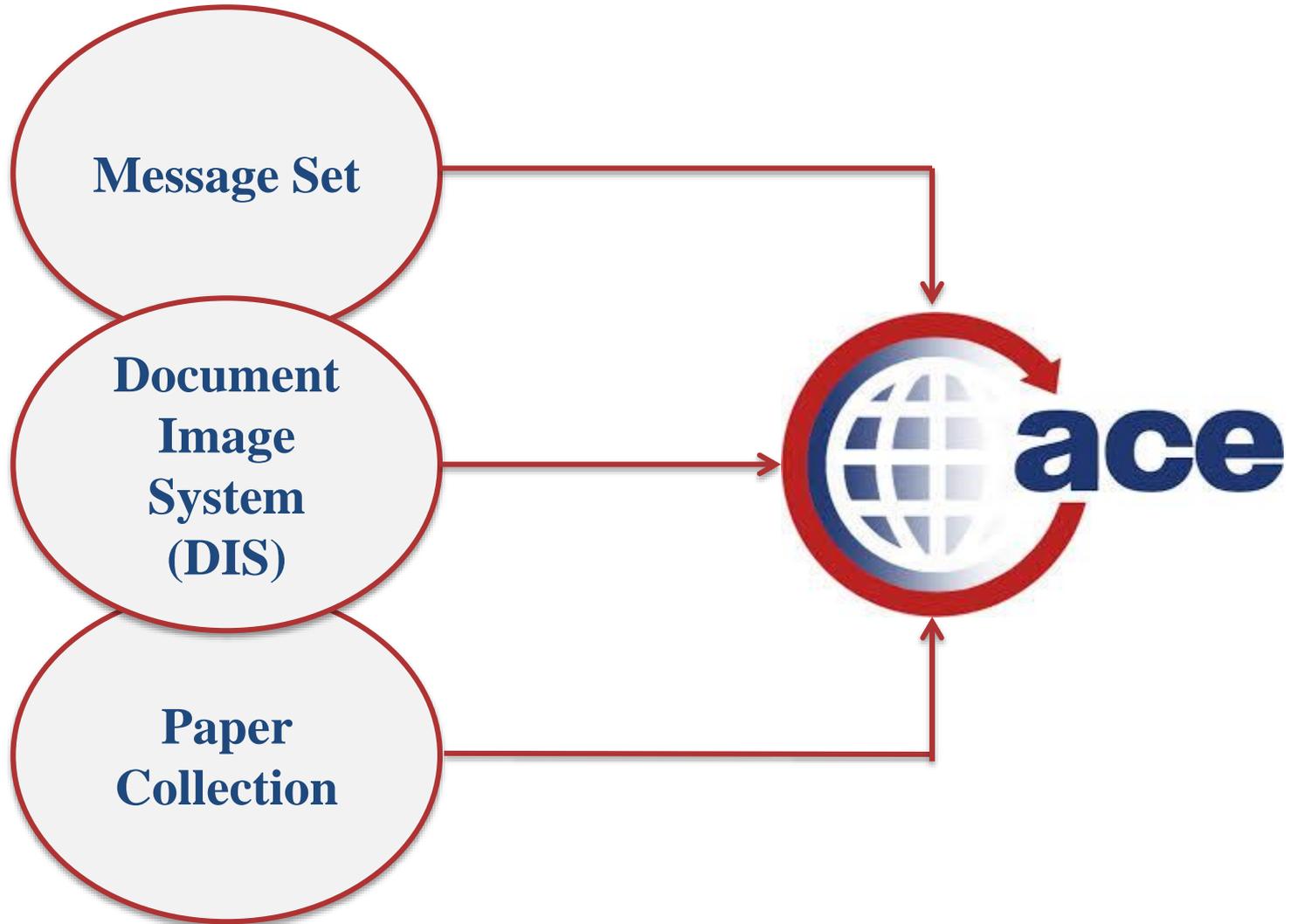
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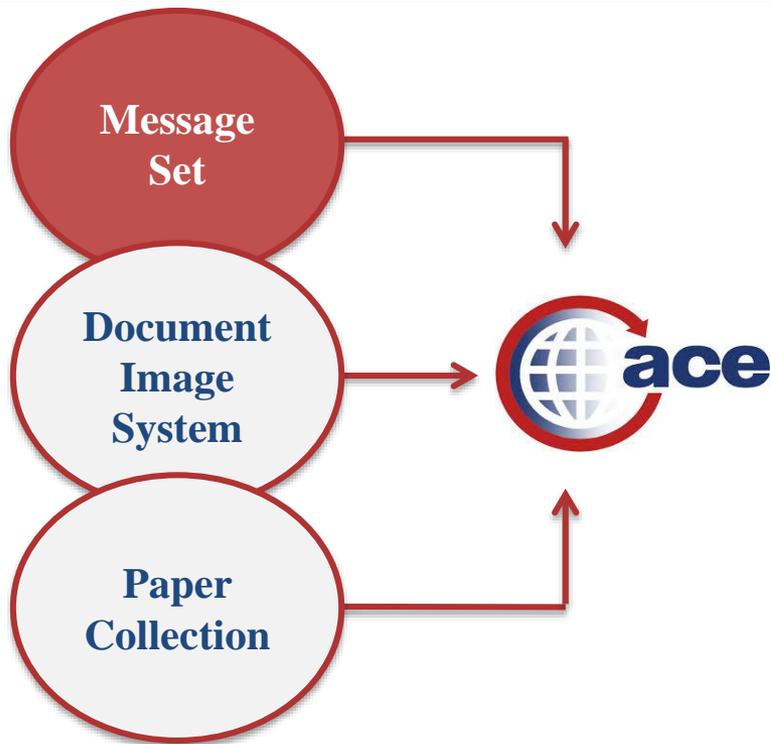
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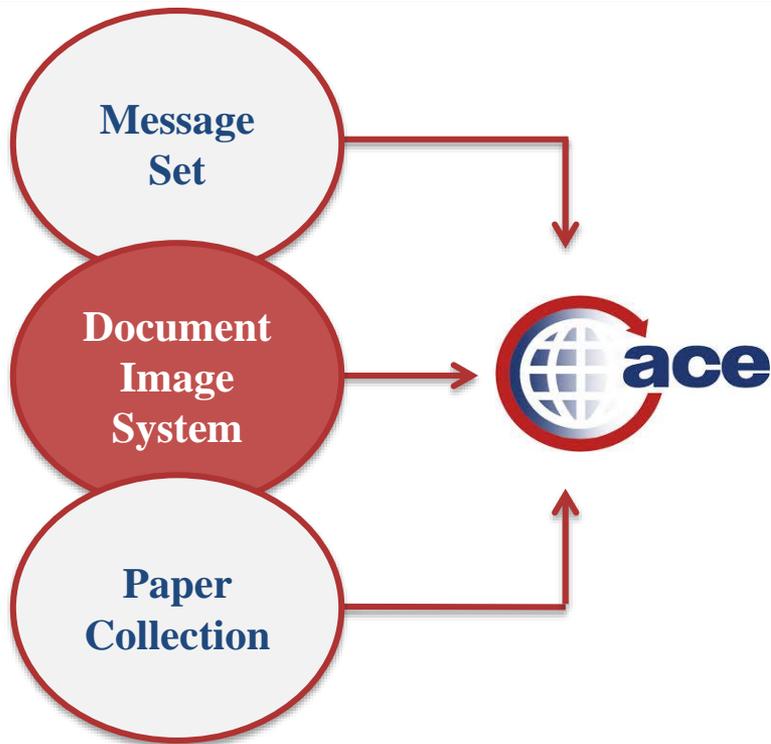
Information Submission Methods





General information:

- Previously admissibility decision making was based on submission of various paper forms
- In the world of electronic entry APHIS will require information from the paper in an electronic format known as the PGA Message Set



Various supporting documents such as:
Invoices, packing slips, etc.

**Producer/Manufacturer Statement
(STAT)**

APHIS 2006:

USDA Veterinary Biological Product
Permit

VS 17-29:

Declaration of Importation

VS 17-32:

Application for Inspection and
Dipping



All Government-to-Government certifications such-as

- Phytosanitary certificates
- Health certificates
- Foreign sanitary certificates
- Meat inspection certificates
- Live animal supporting documents (*spay certificates, test charts, dipping certificates, etc.*)

VS 17-8: Agreement of Pet Bird Owners

Data Sets - PPQ

Important Elements from an APHIS Permit:

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Plant Protection & Quarantine

United States Department of Agriculture
 Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
 4700 River Road **PG 13**
 Riverdale, MD 20737

Permit to Import Plants and Plant Products
 Regulated by 7 CFR 319.37 **PG 14**

This permit was generated electronically via the ePermits system **PG 14**

PERMITTEE NAME: John Plant ORGANIZATION: Live Plant Nursery ADDRESS: 123 County Rd Syracuse, NY 10001 MAILING ADDRESS: 123 County Rd Syracuse, NY 10001 PHONE: PG 19/ 20 (315) 000-0000 FAX: (315) 000-0000	PERMIT NUMBER: P37/CAN-14-00231 APPLICATION NUMBER: P587-140423-017 DATE ISSUED: 04/23/2014 EXPIRES: 04/23/2017 PG 14
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DESIGNATED PORTS: Various Ports of Entry Staffed by CBP-Agriculture Inspection **PG 30**

PG 05 Article(s)	Countries of Origin	Plant Parts	Intended Use PG 01
Mahus/Pinus/Pyrus	(Ontario) Canada	Whole Plant	Planting and Propagation

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO INSPECTORS
 See permit conditions below

PERMIT CONDITIONS

This APHIS-issued import permit only covers compliance with APHIS regulations and requirements. Therefore, this APHIS permit for the commodity to be imported does not reduce or eliminate the permittee's legal duty and responsibility to likewise comply with all other Federal and State regulatory requirements applicable to the commodity to be imported.

This permit authorizes the importation of the listed articles, under the conditions specified below. A copy of this permit (including all conditions) must accompany all shipments authorized under this permit.

Please note that the import requirements and approved commodities listed below are subject to change at any time during the duration of this permit. Please refer to the USDA-PPQ Port Program Manuals at http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/plants/manuals/ports/index.shtml for the current import requirements for the commodities you are importing.

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- This information will be used to facilitate the entry process.

Data Sets – Live Animals

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE VETERINARY SERVICES WASHINGTON, D.C. 20250 PG 13		DATE ISSUED 23-DEC-2014	PERMIT NO MIA14124943 PG 14
UNITED STATES PERMIT TO IMPORT IMPORTANT: Upon arrival at the U.S. Port of Entry the animals must pass veterinarian inspection and if accompanied by this Permit and a Health Certificate will be quarantined as indicated herein. The Importing Carrier shall not stop at any port except as provided in item 7.		1. SHIPPER (Name and address in shipper country) Horse Shippers Inc. r14zenkapweo 12 PE Msterk 34 56 Netherlands (Holland), TEL:516-000-0000	
2. PERMIT FOR (Name & Address of importer - include zip code) ABC Horse Company John Smith Wellington, Florida, 33000 United States TEL: 813-000-0000 FAX: 813-000-0000 PG 19/ 20		3. PORT OF EMBARKATION & COUNTRY AMS, Netherlands (Holland)	
4. NAME OF APPROVED QUARANTINE FACILITY (If applicable) USDA Miami Animal Import Center		5. TRANS CLASS AIR-MP 5714	
6. Permit to Import 1 Number Warmblood / Domestic Horse (Equus caballus) - ID: Female, 7 yr; Mrs Ed; Color: Bay; State Approval No: 58-595-14 PG 05/ 07/ 10/ 17		Authorization granted to import the above equine(s) into the United States. After completing import quarantine in Miami Animal Import Center, the equine(s) must be transported under seal to Wellington Quarantine LLC, 4101 120 Ave. South, Wellington, FL 33449 to complete CEM testing and treatment as described in 9 CFR 93.301 for permanent entry. An original of this permit (not a photocopy) must accompany the shipment at the time of arrival to the United States.	
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7. Route of Travel from Port of Embarkation (including carrier stops (Route)) AMS, Netherlands (Holland) / Miami, FL, United States Wellington, FL, United States No other stops permitted PG 32		8. Proposed Shipping Date 12/22/2014 9. Proposed Arrival Date 12/22/2014	
10. Valid only at this United States Port of Entry Miami, FL PG 30		11. TOTAL NUMBER THIS PERMIT AUTHORIZES 1 PG 14	
12. THIS PERMIT VOID AFTER 05-JAN-2015 PG 14		13. QUARANTINE AT PORT OF ENTRY (Only Federal Charges are shown; Public Charges could apply)	
13. Address of Port Veterinarian at USDA-APHIS-VS 6300 N.W. 38th Street Miami, Florida 33122 (305) 976 2200 / (305) 976 2201		14. Minimum No. Days \$	
15. Charge Per Animal Per Day \$		16. Minimum Charge Each Importation (if any) \$	
17. Signature David Arrente 		18. Title National Import Export Services	
NOTE: Health Certificates must be attached. Failure to do so could necessitate rejection at the Port of Entry.			
RESPONSIBILITIES			
THE U.S. IMPORTER must forward an Original and Carrier's Copy to the shipper in the country of origin; and must make arrangements at the U.S. port of entry for Customs broker's services if desired, necessary quarantine space and transportation of the shipment to and from quarantine. The Importer should retain a copy of the Original permit. THE SHIPPER in the country of origin must make certain that an original Health Certificate covering requirements in item 6 is completed by a salaried veterinary officer of the National Government of the country from which the animals are shipped; and deliver the Health Certificate, and an Original and Carrier's Copy of this permit, to the initial transporting carrier. THE SALARIED VETERINARY OFFICER of the National Government of the country of origin should be provided a copy of this permit by the Importer or Exporter and is responsible for insuring that the necessary inspections and Health Certificate are completed and attached to an Original copy of this permit. THE INITIAL CARRIER must make certain that the Health Certificate is attached to an Original copy of this permit and has been completed and signed by a salaried veterinary officer of the National Government of the country from which the animals are shipped; make sure that an Original copy of this permit and Health Certificate accompany the animals to the U.S. port of entry; and make certain that the Carrier's Copy is available for the final carrier who will transport the shipment to the U.S. port of entry. VS VETERINARIAN AT PORT OF ENTRY will hold the Customs Copy until the shipment is received, then forward it to the U.S. Collector of Customs. The Original permit presented, and the signed Health Certificate, will be retained by the VS Veterinarian at the U.S. port of entry.			
<small>VS FORM 11-135 (REV. 2003) AUTOMATED ORIGINAL TO ACCOMPANY SHIPMENT COPIES: CARRIER, IMPORTER, CUSTOMS, RETAINED BY OFFICE</small>			

Data Sets – Animal Products

Important Elements from an APHIS Permit:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE VETERINARY SERVICES RIVERDALE, MARYLAND 20737 PG01, PG13, PG14		PERMIT NUMBER C-12345 Commercial PG14
UNITED STATES VETERINARY PERMIT FOR IMPORTATION AND TRANSPORTATION OF CONTROLLED MATERIALS AND ORGANISMS AND VECTORS		DATE ISSUED 03/09/2015
NAME AND ADDRESS OF SHIPPER(S) ABC Canada Meat Products Inc. 1234 Park Road Bolton, Ontario L7E 1K3 CANADA		DATE EXPIRES 03/09/2016 PG14
NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE INCLUDING ZIP CODE AND TELEPHONE NUMBER John Doe ABC USA, Inc. 12345 Ed Babe Gomez Avenue Omaha, Nebraska 68107 402-734-8030 PG19, PG20		CC: Service Center, NE (Lincoln, NE) FSIS, DC (Washington, DC) FDA (Rockville, MD)
AS REQUESTED IN YOUR APPLICATION, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO IMPORT OR TRANSPORT THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS Pet food ingredients containing avian, porcine, bovine, and/or fish/shellfish as the only animal origin material. OI, PG02, PG10, PG17		US PORT(S) OF ARRIVAL AS APPLICABLE PG32
RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS FOR TRANSPORTING AND HANDLING MATERIALS AND ALL DERIVATIVES THIS PERMIT IS ISSUED UNDER AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN 9 CFR CHAPTER I, PARTS 94.35 AND 122. THE AUTHORIZED MATERIALS OR THEIR DERIVATIVES SHALL BE USED ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS SPECIFIED BELOW (ALTERATIONS OF RESTRICTIONS CAN BE MADE ONLY WHEN AUTHORIZED BY USDA, APHIS, VS) o Adequate safety precautions shall be maintained during shipment and handling to prevent dissemination of disease. o *** THIS PERMIT IS INVALID WITHOUT PERMITTEE'S SIGNATURE ***. "I, Thomas Bendix-Christensen, certify that this material will be used in accordance with all restrictions and precautions as are specified in this permit, o *** *** signed: _____ . " ***		MODE OF TRANSPORTATION ANY
continued on subsequent page(s)....		
TO EXPEDITE CLEARANCES AT THE PORT OF ENTRY, BILL OF LADING, AIRBILL OR OTHER DOCUMENTS ACCOMPANYING THE SHIPMENT SHALL BEAR THE PERMIT NUMBER		
SIGNATURE Jane Vet	TITLE VMO Imported Products National Import Export Services	NO. LABELS

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What changes will industry see?

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<p>For trade/industry, much of the information previously submitted on paper is required electronically and could change business processes</p>	<p>Customs brokers (including Express Couriers) must operate in the new “Single Window” environment using ACE</p>	<p>Software vendors must adhere to CBP and APHIS guidelines</p>	<p>CBP & APHIS are working with trade to ensure understanding of ACE system requirements</p>

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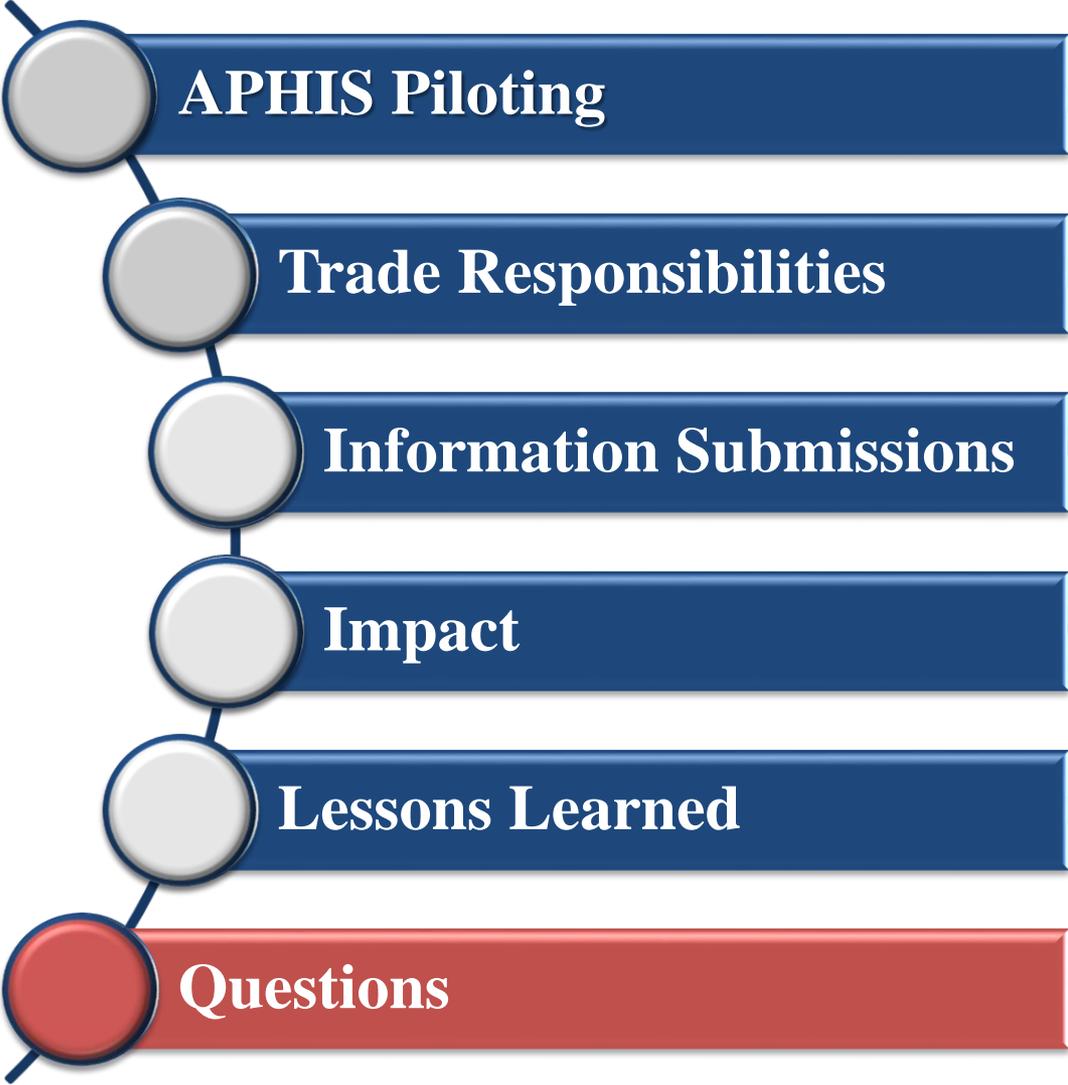


- ✓ Ensure all participants are using current message set
- ✓ Engage CBP client representative(s) and the PGA
- ✓ Add complexities to test system capacity (e.g. multi-commodity/agency filings)
- ✓ Anticipate filer rush late Dec. 2015, early Jan. 2016 (based on filer comments)
- ✓ Some areas delaying shipment release
 - Input error
 - Importer failed to file Lacey Act declaration info listed HTS code
 - Server issues (vendor, PGA, or CBP)



- ✓ The Lacey Act Program requires at least one successful entry submission before agreeing with CBP on independent filing, in which case the filer must provide CBP client reps and the PGA with the entry number for each entry filed independently
- ✓ Pilot early and pilot often! Test your system fully!
- ✓ Encourage large data inputs to fully test systems
- ✓ Continue outreach and education!
 - Look for upcoming APHIS webinars and related events
 - APHIS can tailor event to industry/filer needs!



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QUESTION?
COMMENT?
CONCERN?

We Want to Hear it!
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