Food Safety Inspection Service
PGA Message Set Process Flow

Entry Filing
- 9540-I Form data field as PGA Message Set through ABI.

Bucket 1 Business Rules
- Data clears FSIS business rules.

Bucket 2 Business Rules
- FSIS does not currently automate Bucket 2 Business Rules in ACE.

FSIS Review of Submitted Data
- Entry data is processed in FSIS internal system (PHIS).
- FSIS inspectors examine the goods when are presented at the official import inspection establishment.

FSIS Clears Shipment
- FSIS inspects the shipment and FSIS inspectors record results in PHIS. Inspection results trigger FSIS messages from PHIS to ACE.

Hold Intact Message
A ‘Hold Intact’ message is automatically generated and sent to the filer based on FSIS business rules.

May Proceed Message
The shipment is passed by FSIS and PHIS sends a “may proceed” message to ACE. ACE then processes the “May Proceed” message and sends it to the filer.

Release
- All regulatory agencies have issued a “May Proceed” message.
- Estimated release date is updated with actual release.

TIMELINE
- FSIS import inspectors first check the documents to assure the shipment is properly certified by the foreign country (where it was first examined). Inspectors next examine each shipment for general condition and labeling and then conduct the inspection assignments.
- Cargo leaves the port and arrives at the FSIS official import inspection station.
- Once the shipment is presented, re-inspected, and passed by FSIS, it is released into U.S. commerce.

Cargo Movement
- Shipment in transit (entry data may be submitted in advance).
   Transmission of entry prior to goods arriving at the port.
- Cargo arrives at the port. After arrival at a Port of Entry, all FSIS regulated commodities must be re-inspected by FSIS at an approved import inspection facility (I-house).
- Cargo leaves the port and arrives at the FSIS official import inspection station.

1 USG Release Message
CBP sends 1USG release message to filer and the goods are released into commerce after all regulatory PGAs have issued a “May Proceed” message.