



## ***TSN MONTHLY COMMITTEE REPORT*** *October - November 2010*

### **TRADE SUPPORT NETWORK (TSN) COMMITTEE UPDATES**

#### **Account Management Committee**

As part of CBP's cargo release requirement re-validation effort the Account Management committee held several conference call meetings to discuss the process for reviewing the user requirement GIFs submitted by this committee related to cargo release functionality. This committee's review is part of a larger effort during which several TSN committees will be reviewing their cargo release user requirement GIFs to determine if they are still relevant, accurate, and up to date. The effort also includes the mapping of these GIFs to the applicable process within the CBP ITDS Concept of Operations (ConOps). The committee will hold a series of conference calls with the full Account Management committee to complete this re-validation and submit a final report to the CBP cargo release Team.

#### **Entry Committee**

As part of the cargo release requirement re-validation effort the Entry committee is also in the process of reviewing their user requirement GIFs that mapped to cargo release functionality. The committee will hold conference calls to review their GIFs and submit a report to the CBP cargo release team. *(See Account Management Committee for a description of the re-validation effort).*

#### **Export Committee**

A high level "Automated Export Requirements Document" has been prepared and submitted to Cindy Allen, Office of Trade (OT), and Steve Stavinhoa, Office of Field Operations (OFO). This effort was coordinated by Bill Delansky (OT) and Robert Rawls (OFO), and focused on documenting automated export manifest functionality and interfacing export manifest and commodity data. The document incorporated high level automated export processing requirements for CBP, PGAs and the trade community and will be used by CBP management to request funding and resources for this effort. The Export committee provided input to the trade requirements portion of the document and will be available to provide further as CBP requires more detailed trade input on these processes.

#### **ITDS Committee**

In reference to the "Automated Export Requirements Document" described above, the ITDS committee' co-chairs provided input to the trade requirements portion of the document and will be available to participate further as CBP requires more detailed trade input on these processes. The ITDS committee co-chairs are also discussing actions on how to work with CBP and the ITDS Board of Directors on the development of cargo release functionality going forward, especially as it impacts the PGAs and the trade community.

#### **Legal Policy Committee**

No new business to report for October/November 2010.

## **Multi-Modal Manifest Committee**

The MMM held its third in person meeting of 2010 on November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the USDA facility in Riverdale MD. The full day meeting was attended by fifty persons, including senior CBP representatives from the Office of Field Operations (OFO), Office of International Trade (OT), and the Office of Information Technology. A complete report and discussion of each task group was completed and the committee resolved to assist with the Cargo Release Requirement Review” underway with Valarie Neuhart (see Task Group Reports below) MMM email notices of meetings are sent to the full committee and Trade Co-chair committee members for distribution as appropriate to their committees.

Elements of ACE under active consideration of the MMM Committee or Task Groups:

### **Cargo Release**

The full committee has met once and plans to meet twice more to review the MMM GIFs and to nominate those appropriate to cargo release. The second and third teleconferences are to be held on December 8 and 15 respectively. The goal is to complete the GIF review by the Christmas holiday. Should there be a need for additional teleconferences, a notice will go out to the MMM committee and to the trade co-chairs.

### **Document Imaging**

With a solution in place to automate certain documents for certain PGAs, the MMM committee is gathering information on documents appropriate to manifest. The list will be provided to Cindy Allen in January 2011 for further consideration.

### **Automated Export Manifest**

A high level “Automated Export Requirements Document” has been provided to Cindy Allen (OT) and Steven Stavinoha (OFO) for funding consideration. While the Task Group has worked with Bill Delansky (OT) and Robert Rawls (OFO) since mid-November to provide input on the trade requirements portion of the document we have not yet seen the final requirements document. Thanking Bill and Robert for the invitation to participate, the Task Group will review the requirements document when received.

### **Manifest Diversion**

The automated diversion of a ship/plane/train’s manifest will be done by CBP only in the case of emergency. This action has significant ramifications to entry filers and the process will be reviewed in conjunction with the TSN Entry Committee.

### **House Bill of Lading Release**

Provides for automated review and release at the lowest shipment level by off dock locations. This functionality is under consideration for nomination to be developed in cargo release.

### **In-Bond Task**

Certain in-bond functionality will be released with M1 (sea/rail manifest). The Task Group continues to work with Gary Schreffler, Program Manager (OFO). The committee enjoyed Gary’s thorough overview and discussion of the program at the November 3 meeting. This work continues along with the regulatory changes that will be necessary to improve the program and automate all in-bonds. Because of the broad significance of this program the MMM committee and the Trade co-chairs will receive all email updates.

### **ITDS PGA Messaging and the Manifest**

The Task Group appreciated the overview and discussion of this work as provided by Cindy Allen (OT/ABO) and Susan Dyszel (OT) on November 3. We continue to work closely with the ITDS committee and participate in activity at the ITDS Board of Directors. The Task

Group recognizes the Board's participation of the trade sector and thanks Mr. Tim Skud, Chairman of the ITDS Board of Directors.

**Revenue Committee**

No new business to report for October/November 2010.

**Supply Chain Security Committee**

No new business to report for October/November 2010.

**Transition Committee**

No new business to report for October/November 2010.