



TSN MONTHLY REPORT
SEPTEMBER 2010
Final Report

1. TSN Committee Update

Account Management Committee

No new business to report for September 2010.

Entry Committee

No new business to report for September 2010

ON-going business: The Entry Committee met with the Transition Committee to review the ACE edits. The committee made proposals to CBP as to what may be able to be done to mitigate the risks of the edits not being available in ACE Entry Summary processing. Suggestions included better documentation for items such as MPF/HMF rules so the trade knows when the fees are required or not required. Currently this information is spread among many directives and documents. Another suggestion was to ask CBP to send out a CSMS message to notify the trade that they made changes to the tariff information as they make the changes so that we do not have out of date tariff information while waiting for CBP to put out a large tariff update. This information will help trade perform a tariff query on the changed numbers allowing us to keep our data up to date.

Export Committee

No new business to report for September 2010.

ON-going business: The Trade Co-Chair of the Export committee continues to be involved in meetings with the MMM Committee's Export Manifest Task Group. The MMM Export Manifest Task Group in conjunction with the Export committee is developing an export manifest business case for submission to CBP and the Census Bureau. The export committee has also developed and submitted an Export Manifest GIF (CSPO-GIF-940) that is currently documented in the CBP data base. The Export committee is awaiting the draft export manifest business case from the MMM committee for review and comment. The next steps will be for the Export, ITDS, and MMM committees to jointly develop the automated export manifest business case for presentation to CBP and Census for future discussion on implementing this functionality in ACE.

ITDS Committee

The trade co-chairs of the ITDS Committee met with the trade co-chairs from the MMM and Export committees to discuss the preparation of a draft automated manifest business case. This will be a joint MMM/Export/ITDS committee effort. The business case will serve as a supplement to the Export Manifest GIF (CSPO-GIF-940) and is being prepared for review by the full committees prior to being submitted to CBP staff for action. A draft business case proposal is being circulated among the trade co-chairs for review prior to sending to the full committee's for review.

Legal Policy Committee

No new business to report for September 2010.

Multi-Modal Manifest Committee

The MMM Committee's six Task Groups were created in 2009 to develop and support business cases and requirements for future manifest and cargo release functionality. The Task Groups meet as pertinent to that issue. The Committee convenes in Washington, DC at least three times a year. The next scheduled meeting of the Multi-Modal Manifest Committee will be November 3, 2010. The current status of each of the six Task Groups is as follows:

Manifest Diversion Task Group

As directed by CBP Assistant Commissioner Dan Baldwin at the November 5, 2009 TLC meeting, the Task Group has submitted a Business Case to CBP OFO. The MMM Committee will meet at USDA APIS in Riverdale, MD on November 3 and hopes to hear OFO comments.

In-Bond Task Group

This month the Task Group met in teleconference with Gary Schreffler and Jim Swanson to discuss issues. The TG Co-Chairs will bring forward issues to discuss at the November 3 MMM Committee meeting in Riverdale, MD.

House Bill of Lading Release Task Group

As directed by Assistant Commissioner Dan Baldwin at the November 5, 2009 TLC meeting, the Task Group has submitted a Business Case to CBP OFO and awaits their response. The MMM Committee will meet at USDA APHIS in Riverdale, MD on November 3 and hopes to hear the OFO comments.

Automated Export Manifest Task Group

The MMM Committee, the Export Committee, and the ITDS Committee together support further consideration of automating the export manifest. This automation was discussed with CBP OFO and with the ACE Business Executive. A draft Business Case is circulating and will be discussed at the November 3 MMM Committee meeting in Riverdale, MD. CBP will have representation at the November 3 meeting to discuss this issue.

Imaging Task Group

The concept of imaged documents has been recognized by government. At this time, imaging is being tested for certain documents involved in the ABI processes. This Task Group looks forward to successful ABI testing and eventual AMS application.

PGA Messaging Task Group

As the Participating Government Agencies each complete their various "Memoranda-of-Understanding" with Customs, the Task Group looks forward to assisting with the implementation of automated messages that effect AMS functionality. To provide additional transparency to cargo movement, the Task Group desires to ensure that the future PGA messages will go to all pertinent entities in a transaction: to both the importer (ABI) and to the transporter (AMS).

Revenue Committee

No new business to report for September 2010.

Supply Chain Security Committee

No new business to report for September 2010.

Transition Committee

See Entry Committee Activity.

2. ACE News

The following important messages impacting ACE were issued during August, 2010:

- **CSMS# 10-000232** (issued 9/30/2010) – Delay in Deployment of ESAR A2.3.2a Functionality.
- **CSMS# 10-000233** (Issued 9/30/2010) – Updated CATAIR Chapter for next ACE ESAR Deployment was posted on the CBP website
- **CSMS# 10-000221** (issued 9/16/2010) –Information Notice: ESAR Portal Enhancements
- **CSMS# 10-000229** (issued 9/30/2010) – September 2010 Trade Account Owner Update was issued
- **CSMS# 10-000215** – (Issued 9/10/2010) – Implementation of new disposition codes related to Importer Security Filing
- **CSMS# 10-000220** – (Issued 9/14/2010) – Use of new importer Security Filing Disposition codes

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<http://apps.cbp.gov/csms/csms.asp?page=1&btype=abi>