



Trade Leadership Council & Technical Advisory Group Update

Trade Ambassador and Technical Advisory Group member representatives met with CBP on March 26 & 27, 2013 to learn about and discuss the current projects under development with CBP. CBP is currently organized into 3 teams to continue development in ACE. The 3 teams are: ACE Entry Summary Validations, PGA Message Set and Entry Corrections and Cancellations. As part of the Agile development methodology, CBP is working in 13 week increments with a week of planning at the beginning and development being done in 2 week sprints (cycles). The trade members will be engaged in the process during the initial planning week, 7th week and 11th week of the 13 week iteration. CBP has not decided on the timeframe for the release of the changes to certification and production but anticipate the releases could be done every 6 months.

ACE Entry Summary Validations – CBP has worked on creating the infrastructure that is needed to perform the edits and validations. As a test of this process, they created some of the rules needed for the validation of HMF. These were easy and straight forward rules with limited dependencies. CBP will now continue adding to the edit/validation rules until they are complete.

Other areas that will be addressed for edits and validations include – Classification, Duty, MPF, Taxes, Fees, License/Permits/Certificates, Tariff Usage Restrictions and Charges Restrictions. CBP is also introducing automated testing to ensure that as they add functionality they don't break a feature that was previously working. The trade HSA GIF is still part of the backlog for this team and will be looked at as CBP adds edits/validations that require additional information related to the tariff.

Entry Corrections and Cancellations – This project is to automate these processes in order to remove the manual process currently in place. The team was able to demonstrate to us a screen that will be used by CBP Officers to see what corrections and cancellations have been requested by the trade using a new ABI message. The officers will be able to accept/reject the request and an automated message will be sent back to the filer. This functionality is being built onto the Simplified Entry which will eventually become Cargo Release.

PGA Message Set – This team is working on building the infrastructure to support the data received by the filers and the forwarding of those messages to the partner agencies. The initial pilot will include messages for FSIS meat, poultry and egg products, and EPA Ozone Depleting and EPA Engines/Vehicles. CBP officers will have a screen to be able to see entry and PGA information. Lacey reporting that is currently using the PGA message set will need to be upgraded to use the new ACE PGA message set layouts. No time frame was provided for this upgrade. There will be about 26 agencies that will request additional data. Some agencies will have more than one type of reporting requirement. Each agency/program will define the data field requirements. Responses from the agencies may come back as a new ABI message. CBP has implemented the PGA Message set where we have to send a PGA message group for each agency requiring information for a tariff line. If a line requires multiple agency reporting then

we have to send the PGA message group multiple times for the line. In the instance where 2 agencies require the exact same data, the data can be sent as one PGA group. The trade has asked CBP to provide us with a matrix of the required data elements for each agency starting with the EPA and FSIS pilot requirements. This matrix will assist us in designing the data capture requirements for the trade.

The team that met with CBP included: Celeste Catano - Kewill, Fred Klemashevich – FedEx, Eileen Exum - The Janel Group, Craig Seelig - CargoWise, Tim Perry – APL, Uwe Sartori – ATS, Pierre Clement – UPS, Stuart Schmidt – UPS, Cynthia Golden – Limited Brands.

Account Management Committee

No New Activity to Report

Entry Committee

No new activity to report

Automated Export Task Group: Export, Multi-Modal Manifest, ITDS Joint Committees

- The Automated Export Task Group is meeting with CBP (Bill Delansky) on a regular basis. Bill briefs the task group on the status of the AES Re-Engineering/Manifest Baseline Agile Sprint reviews. Bill has scheduled another Task Group meeting for April 11th to keep the trade up to date on these efforts. The AES Re-Engineering /Manifest baseline effort is part of the new AGILE software development methodology and at some point trade representations will be briefed on the agile sprint team functional development status.
- A Task Group meeting is also being scheduled for April 30, 2013 to discuss split shipments.
- The trade’s automated export processing user requirement document was completed in October 2012. Those user requirements determined to be in scope will be used by CBP in current automated export processing functional development efforts. Those user requirements that are in “pending review” status were submitted to CBP for further internal legal and policy review.

Export Committee (*Reference Automated Export Task Group Summary above*)

ITDS Committee (*Reference Automated Export Task Group Summary above*)

Legal Policy Committee

No new activity to report

Liquidation Subcommittee

No new activity to report

Multi-Modal Manifest Committee

- The CESAC/MMM meeting was held on March 11 and 12, 2013 at the USDA APHIS facility.
- Issues discussed at the meeting included:
 - Updates from the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA)
 - Updates on in-bond processing
 - Manifesting and Entry of Residue Found in Instruments of International Trade
 - An ITDS & Partner Government Agency Update
 - An ACE Plan Forward update
 - Updates on production fixes for e-Manifest: Rail & Sea (M1)
 - AES Re-Engineering and Manifest Baseline processing
- The next CESAC/MMM meeting is scheduled for July 15, 16, 2013 at the USDA Facility, Riverdale, MD.

Revenue Committee

No new activity to report

Drawback Subcommittee

No new activity to report

e-Bond Subcommittee

No new activity to report

Supply Chain Security Committee

No new activity to report

Transition Committee

No new activity to report

Integrated Communications Subcommittee

No new activity to report