



***TSN MONTHLY COMMITTEE
ACTIVITY REPORT
March, 2009***

Account Management Committee

No activity to report for this month.

Entry Committee

No activity to report for this month.

Foreign Trade Zone Subcommittee

The subcommittee held a conference call with the Revenue Committee to review a DRAFT GIF requesting capability for the electronic payment of Harbor Maintenance Fees (HMF). As a result of that discussion, the subcommittee is working on revising the GIF based on input received.

Warehouse Subcommittee

No activity to report for this month.

Release Subcommittee

No activity to report for the month.

Export Committee

The Outbound Manifest user requirement working group continues to work on the outbound manifest user requirements for ocean, air, rail, and truck. When final drafts are complete the Export committee will meet with the Multi-Modal Manifest committee and the Cargo Control & Release team to coordinate efforts.

The Export Reports working group developed and submitted user requirements for Export Reports to the CBP and Census Co Chairs for review and comment. The Export committee is awaiting input from CBP and Census on the requirements submitted and will convene meetings to discuss the Government's comments.

- *The Export Committee developed this requirement as a follow up to a request from Lou Samenink, at the September 9th Export Committee meeting, for the Export committee to come with some ideas on what type of export (AES) functionality CBP can automate or integrate in ACE in an expedited timeframe. CBP and Census are discussing the feasibility of developing this capability.*

ITDS Committee

The ITDS Committee and ITDS Standard Data Set Subcommittee continue to work on documenting questions and issues concerning PGA integration and functionality in the ACE/ITDS environment. The committees have developed a list of ITDS/PGA issues that the committee needs to focus on in the future. The "ITDS Issues Paper" will be a working document that will allow committee members to document issues, questions, or concerns related to PGA functionality in ACE/ITDS. These issues will be submitted to Susan Dyszel for review and coordination with appropriate CBP and ITDS Board staff for resolution or action, or if appropriate, a user requirement GIF will be developed to address the issue. Susan Dyszel provided input to the latest "Issues List" and that input was distributed to the ITDS and ITDS SDS committees. The majority of the ITDS issues focus on the following:

General ITDS Committee

- General PGA integration into the ACE/ITDS system
- Status of Operational MOUs for PGAs that will have "Hold Authority" in the CCR M1 (sea and rail manifest) release.
- Issues concerning the implementation of PGA Hold Authority at the Ports.
- Product Information Committee (PIC) status (Doug Bailey)
- Presidential Import Safety Working Group (Cathy Saucedo)

- DUNS Working Group (Max Castillo)
- Which PGA's will be integrated into ACE/ITDS and which will be interfaced?

ITDS Standard Data Set Subcommittee Issues

- Status of work on the ITDS SDS Trade Report
- Trade Input on the final development of the SDS Trade Report
- Trade input regarding status of PGA data elements contained in the Trade Report for manifest, entry and entry summary filing.

The next committee conference call meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2009. The major topic of discussion at that meeting will be a PIC working group update by Doug Bailey, as well as updates on the standard data set. A final agenda is being developed for that meeting.

Legal Policy Committee

No activity to report for this month.

Liquidation Subcommittee

No activity to report for this month.

Multi-Modal Manifest (MMM) Committee

During the March 26th American Trucking Association / Ontario Trucking Association ACE status conference call, the desire of the trucking industry to receive an "entry on file" status message as soon as an entry is filed by the Customs Broker or entry filer, was raised again. Subsequent research determined that Change Request (CR) # 2136 had been submitted and approved by CBP but deferred to the future ACE Truck Manifest release, M2.2. Under closer examination, CR-2136 describes a change to ACE Truck e-manifest that would send the "entry on file" message to the carrier as soon as a shipment was placed on file in a "Preliminary" status rather than a "Completed" status, as is the case today. Since the truck carriers' request is different than what is set forth in CR-2136, Jevon Jamison of ABF Freight System has submitted a new GIF requesting that an "entry on file" message be sent to the truck carriers as soon as the entry is filed, regardless of the status of the manifest (even if the manifest is not yet submitted). The GIF will be discussed at the next MMM committee meeting; committee members will review whether this GIF should be added to the current body of TSN MMM GIF/requirements.

➤ **ACE Release M1, Sea and Rail Update:**

CBP is still trade testing, there have been some challenges and a go live date will be coordinated with the Office of Field Operations and will be based on when the M1 program is technically ready and the trade has successfully tested.

Revenue Committee

In late March, the TSN Revenue Committee held a conference call to discuss the strategy and structure of the Committee, as well as a few key outstanding GIFs. Top priority GIF 727, *Re-establishing Daily Statement*, will now be divided into two separate GIFs – one GIF will cover the financial portion and the other will capture the post summary requirements. Another GIF discussed during this conference call is a requirement recommendation that requests the capability to view and submit electronic protests. Additionally, as noted above, the Committee participated in a joint discussion with the FTZ subcommittee to review a GIF requesting the electronic payment of HMF.

eBond Subcommittee

No activity to report for this month.

Drawback Subcommittee

No activity to report for this month.

Supply Chain Security Committee

No activity to report for this month.

Transition Committee

No activity to report for this month.

ESAR Trade Ambassador Work Session (March 31-April 1)

On March 31- April 1, CBP conducted a Trade Ambassador work session. Topics addressed during this two day work session included a review of the following:

March 31

- AD/CVD Case Management User Interface
- AD/CVD Query
- AD/CVD Portal Account GIF
- Type 03 Reports

April 1

- Edit Prioritization Process
- Post Summary Corrections
- EDI Imaging

Additionally, in response to CBPs request for input on the prioritization of “must have” capabilities, the trade ambassadors responded as follows:

- (1) → PSC
- (2) → Imaging
- (3) → HTS
- (4) → Edits
- (5) → Enhanced Entry Summary Query