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CBP / Trade Monthly Meeting Agenda

May 1, 2024 8:30 AM

At Laredo College, De La Garza Bldg. Rm 101

CBP Announcements:

- A. ACE eManifest, complete page, QR Code, duplicate entry on multiple trips. Sample will be given to facilitate releases.
- B. Update contact information in ACE for Carrier and Brokers. After hour phone number to avoid overstays.
- C. Conditional Release. Do not send shipment to destination until you get a full release in the system.

Old Business:

Pending Cybersecurity Attack demo:

During the April CBP Trade Meeting, CBP advised that they would conduct the cybersecurity attack demo for the member brokers to observe. Has a date been set for this demo or panel discussion?

New Business

- 1. <u>Ultimate Consignee on AES.</u> Members have been informed by CBP at the Export Lot that the ultimate consignee might have a different meaning as it relates to self-propelled vehicles:
 - a. Can an Ultimate Consignee in Mexico on a 72- hour self-propelled vehicle shipment needs to be an individual or can it be a company?

b.

2. <u>Perishable Inspections/Offloads:</u>

Before the existing cold-storage facility at the dock was established, USDA would unload at the dock and inspect the commodity quickly. Since the announcement of the price increase of cold storage handling, customers are looking for alternatives.

- a. Is this option of inspecting at the normal dock still available?
- b. If this option is taken, will perishables be kept inside the trailer until it is ready for inspection?

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- c. Members are reporting that stevedore companies will leave the goods on the dock if their bills are not paid in a timely manner. Is CBP aware?
- d. Has CBP been made aware of the price increase in cold storage handling of 25 percent?
- e. Our understanding is that the cold storage facility at the Colombia facility is not working. When will it be repaired?
- 3. <u>ACE eManifest delays</u> Last week, we encountered an average wait time of two hours when certifying ACE truck e-Manifests when using a third party software and certifying via EDI. ACE acknowledged this situation, but it took about 8 hours to finally resolve.
 - a. Is CBP willing to accept uncertified ACE truck e-Manifests under this scenario and issue Conditional Releases when these delays are present?
 - b. Would this apply to both FAST and Non-FAST shipments?

CBP Reminders

See Announcements.

PGA Questions/Announcements:

Department of Agriculture:

- 1. USDA has finished doing Organic Certificate workshop. Is there a date for a workshop on Organic Certificate.
- 2. Members are complaining that USDA inspectors are taking a long time to process livestock. Are there any plans to hire mor inspectors?

Food and Drug Administration:

Can FDA provide Directory for new staff.

LUSCBA Announcements:

LAREDO TRADE DAY: JUNE 12-13, 2024

Next CBP Trade Meeting => May 8, 2024

Next Brokers Association Meeting => Wednesday, May 29, 2024

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*** Any questions or Customs issues you may have prior to the meeting may be sent to LLUSCBA Customs committee at CBPissues@lluscba.org. ***

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