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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT -- 10+2

On January 2, 2008, Customs and Border Protection published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) entitled IMPORTER SECURITY FILING AND ADDITIONAL CARRIER REQUIREMENTS in the [Federal Register](#). This NPRM on the security filing commonly referred to as the "10 + 2" rule is intended to fulfill the requirements found in the SAFE Port Act of 2006 and the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2007.

The comment period, originally scheduled until March 3, 2008, has been extended by 2 weeks. Therefore, all comments should be submitted no later than March 18, 2008.

It is important that all importers read and understand this information in order to determine how their business supply chain will operate with the proposed requirements. The proposed security filing involves the electronic notification, currently through ABI and AMS, to Customs of certain data elements (shown below) 24 hours before the freight destined to the United States is loaded overseas.

1. Manufacturer Name & Address
2. Seller Name & Address
3. Buyer Name & Address
4. "Ship To" Name & Address
5. Container stuffing location
6. Consolidator (stuffer) location
7. Importer of Record Number / FTZ applicant identification number
8. Consignee number(s)
9. Country of Origin
10. Commodity HTSUS number(s)

The 2 remaining 2 data elements are standard information typically available, and to be supplied by the steamship line.

Vessel Stow Plan
Container status message

Several points to note are that the manufacturer (or supplier) name and address, country of origin, and commodity HTSUS number must be cross referenced / linked to one another at the line-item level. In addition, CBP is proposing that the Importer Security Filing be submitted at the lowest bill level; at the level that the goods are brought into the United States, the house bill level will be reported.

It is suggested that any questions with respect to this proposed rule be directed to the Point of Contact:

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