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## **New ABI Application Identifiers for Air In-bond** (CSMS #08-000280 and #08-000307)

A new CATAIR chapter allowing ABI filers to submit or modify in-bond movements for Air In-bond will be implemented early next year. The new CATAIR chapter has been posted on [cbp.gov](http://cbp.gov). The new ABI application identifiers are QX and WX. This CATAIR chapter is a modification to the current QP and WP CATAIR messages. The QX and WX will be in use until ACE M2.1 is deployed, which is planned no earlier than 2010. At that time, all ABI in-bond functionality will be included in the QP and WP messages and the QX and WX messages will become obsolete.



*The Decal / Transponder Online Procurement System, website that allows owners of commercial vehicles, private aircraft and vessels to purchase their annual user fees, is up and running. <https://dtops.cbp.dhs.gov>*

## **CBP Revises Draft Importer Security Filing (ISF) Transaction Sets** (CSMS#08-000290)

CBP notified the trade community of the updates to the draft ABI and AMS transactions sets for the submission of Importer Security Filings. These updates are posted on the CBP web site at: [www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/automated\\_systems/sf\\_transaction\\_sets/](http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/automated_systems/sf_transaction_sets/).

The updated transaction sets are in response to input received through the Security\_Filing\_Technical mailbox and a result of internal reviews of the transaction sets. The following list provides additional detail on the updates:

1. Changed the requirement of the "Mode of Transportation" field (SF10) from "Mandatory" to "Optional." Applies to Unified Entry, Unified Entry Summary, Unified FTZ, CATAIR Stand-alone ISF and CAMIR Stand-alone ISF.
2. Updated the description of the "Mode of Transportation" field (SF10) such that the default value is "10", Ocean vessel non-containerized. Applies to Unified Entry, Unified Entry Summary, Unified FTZ, CATAIR Stand-alone ISF and CAMIR Stand-alone ISF.
3. Updated the SF30 record Note 2 to expand the use of DUNS Numbers to other parties, except Importer of Record, Consignee and FTZ Applicant. Applies to Unified Entry, Unified Entry Summary, Unified FTZ, CATAIR Stand-alone ISF and CAMIR Stand-alone ISF.
4. Added a Note to the SF90 description explaining the difference between record-/field-level SF90 records and message-level SF90 records. Applies to Unified Entry, Unified Entry Summary, Unified FTZ, CATAIR Stand-alone ISF and CAMIR Stand-alone ISF.
5. Modified the SF36 record by changing the "Country Sub Entity Code" from nine positions to three positions and adding a 6<sup>th</sup> position Filler field. Applies to Unified Entry, Unified Entry Summary, Unified FTZ, CATAIR Stand-alone ISF and CAMIR Stand-alone ISF



*ACE information seminar has been scheduled for December 9, 2008 in Denver, Colorado. Status of ACE; future releases and an informative demonstration of ACE reports will be given.*



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6. Corrected the SN examples in the CAMIR Stand-alone ISF to include the CAMIR Application Control records, i.e. ACR and ZCR.
7. Corrected the Control Identifier Description for the SF15 record.
8. Removed references to MID on pages ISF-3 and ISF-20 of the CATAIR Stand-alone ISF and CAMIR Stand-alone ISF.
9. Modified the "Manufacturer/Supplier Code" in the SF30 record from Mandatory ("M") to Conditional ("C"). Applies to Unified Entry, Unified Entry Summary and Unified FTZ.

As previously indicated, please continue to submit technical questions and comments to [Security\\_Filing\\_Technical@cbp.dhs.gov](mailto:Security_Filing_Technical@cbp.dhs.gov).



The CBP Trade Strategy, covering the next five years, can be found at [http://www.cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/trade/trade\\_outreach/symposium08/event\\_materials/trade\\_strategy.ctt/trade\\_strategy.pdf](http://www.cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/trade/trade_outreach/symposium08/event_materials/trade_strategy.ctt/trade_strategy.pdf)

In that document the following 4 goals are emphasized by CBP:

1. Facilitate legitimate trade and ensure compliance
2. Enforce U.S. trade laws and collect accurate revenue
3. Advance national and economic security
4. Intensify modernization of CBP's trade processes

### CBP Publishes Quarterly Interest Rates for Duties

CBP published a Federal Register Notice on October 29, 2008 (see 73 **FR** 64358) advising the public of the quarterly Internal Revenue Service interest rates used to calculate interest on overdue accounts (underpayments) and refunds (overpayments) of customs duties. For the calendar quarter beginning October 1, 2008, the interest rates for overpayments will be 5% for corporations and 6% for non-corporations, and the interest rate for underpayments will be 6%.

### Importer Self-Assessment Program Expands

CBP published a Federal Register Notice on October 29, 2008 (see 73 **FR** 64356) announcing the expansion of the Importer Self-Assessment Program (ISA) to include the Importer Self-Assessment-Product Safety Pilot (ISA-PS). The ISA-PS is a partnership that will be created among CBP, the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and importers who strive to maintain a high level of product safety compliance. Together, CBP, CPSC and participating importers will work to achieve the goals of the Interagency Working Group on Import Safety by working collaboratively to prevent unsafe imports. Application to the ISA-PS is open to all importers who are participants in the ISA. CBP and CPSC staff will designate a limited number of importers from the initial applicants and determine their eligibility for participation in the pilot program.



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