



### **New Bond Sufficiency Details Functionality**

U. S. Customs and Border Protection has added additional information to the “Bond Sufficiency Details” portlet. Beginning on June 15, 2009, if a bond is insufficient the portlet will display the “Insufficiency Reasons.” A “Comment” field has also been provided. In the past, the trade community was required to follow up directly with the knowledgeable CBP office/officer in order to learn why a particular bond was insufficient. This new functionality will now provide immediate and detailed information as to why a bond has been rendered insufficient.

### **In-bond processing tips:**

A truck carrier can create a shipment record in an ACE e-Manifest in anticipation of a third party (i.e., usually a customs broker) filing an electronic in-bond request. The electronic in-bond request is commonly referred to by its Automated Broker Interface (ABI) Customs and Trade Automated Interface Requirements (CATAIR) application identifier “QP.” If this is the case, it is best that the carrier create a Pre-Arrival Processing (PAPS) shipment record. ACE will match the QP in-bond request to the PAPS shipment as long as the Shipment Control Number (SCN) is reported exactly the same in the QP and PAPS declarations.

Alternatively, a carrier may request the in-bond move directly from the ACE e-Manifest declaration by designating the shipment release type as “Pre-filed In-bond” in the ACE Secure Data Portal. When this is done the shipment screens will request additional information. The “Pre-filed In-bond” shipment screen has a data element called “In-bond number” with an accompanying note stating “(if left blank, Shipment control # will be used,)” **DO NOT** follow this direction. Always use a Customs assigned nine digit in-bond number in this field. To obtain nine digit in-bond numbers, contact your local Customs and Border Protection office.



*Importers and carriers are now able to mouse over their sub-account name(s) in the “Account Selector List” and view the associated Importer of Record number or Standard Alpha Carrier Code (SCAC).*

### **Updated Running ACE Reports User Guide:**

The Updated Running ACE Reports User Guide for Importers, Brokers and Sureties has been posted to CBP.gov. The User Guide provides instructions on running standard and modified reports, creating a customized report and scheduling an authorized data extract. The new user guide can be found at the following link:

[http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/ace\\_welcome/ace\\_reports/](http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/ace_welcome/ace_reports/)

**Why is ESM 7068 showing multiple lines for the same entry summary? I thought it was designed to display a single line of data for each unique ACE entry summary number.**



*The report ESM 7068 has a column titled "Line Ultimate Consignee Number." This represents the Ultimate Consignee for each line of the entry. If the entry has multiple lines and the lines have different Ultimate Consignees then the report will return multiple records. If an entry has multiple lines but all the lines have the same Ultimate Consignee then the report will only show one record.*

*If the field "Ultimate Consignee" is not needed at the line level, ESM 7068 should be opened in modify mode and the "Ultimate Consignee" column should be removed. The report will then collapse down to one row per entry.*

**Attention All Importer and Broker Report Users:**



*Users can run AM 008 and AM 068 to view complete entry summary data for both ACE and ACS entry summaries. To view ACE entry summaries only, run AM 008 under "Modify" and include the "System Control Code" as a query filter. The "System Control Code" should be set to "equal to" and the "Constant" should be "ACE."*



**Attention All Carrier Report Users:**

*ACE Reports that display a "Shipment Lifecycle Status" frequently do not show a current status. This is a known problem.*

**TSN Monthly Activity Reports:**

Reports summarizing the monthly activity of all Trade Support Network Committees and Subcommittees are now available on CBP.gov. The reports are published monthly and can be found at the following link:

[http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/trade\\_support\\_network/tsn\\_monthly/](http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/trade_support_network/tsn_monthly/)



**A2.2 Frequently Asked Questions:**

ACE Initial Entry Types (A2.2) Frequently Asked Questions have been posted to CBP.gov. The questions and answers cover new Entry Summary, Accounts and Revenue (ESAR) A2.2 capabilities including such topics as receiving and responding to CBP forms, posting declarations and ACE entry summary reports. The questions and answers can be found at the following link:

<http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/ace/>



**“References” Reminders:**

*The Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) information displayed on the ACE Portal is out of date and will not be updated. The version listed is from July 2007. To obtain the most current HTS data, visit the United States International Trade Commission's (USITC) website at <http://www.usitc.gov>.*

*Similarly, the currency rates found under “References” should not be used for any official business needs. There is a system issue with the conversion process which is causing the rates to be miscalculated.*

**Looking Ahead:**

The Entry Summary Accounts and Revenue (ESAR) A2.2 release will be expanded in the next ESAR release to accept and process entry summaries with entry type 03. This next release is currently targeted for early 2010. The new and revised draft ACE ABI CATAIR chapters have been published in advance of this release and can be found on CBP.gov at the following link:

[http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/ace\\_edi\\_messages/catair\\_main/abi\\_catair/catair\\_adcvd/](http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/automated/modernization/ace_edi_messages/catair_main/abi_catair/catair_adcvd/)

The new CATAIR chapters are as follows:

- Entry Summary Create/Update (AE/AX) (revised),
- Entry Summary Query (JC/JD) (revised), and
- AD/CVD Case Information Query (AD/AC) (new).

Additional ACE CATAIR reference material for ABI filers will be available. The new report for AD/CVD transactions will also be available on the ACE portal for access by ACE accounts at the time of deployment.