

# U.S. Customs and Border Protection

## *General Notices*

**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**19 CFR PARTS 12, 113 AND 163**

**[CBP Dec. 08–10]**

**USCBP–2006–0108**

**RIN 1505–AB73**

### **ENTRY OF SOFTWOOD LUMBER PRODUCTS FROM CANADA**

**AGENCIES:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; Department of the Treasury.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This document adopts as a final rule, with changes, the interim rule amending title 19 of the Code of Federal Regulations (19 CFR) that was published in the **Federal Register** (71 FR 61399) on October 18, 2006 as Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Dec. 06–25. The interim rule amended the CBP regulations by prescribing the collection of certain entry summary information for purposes of monitoring and enforcing the Softwood Lumber Agreement (SLA 2006) between the Governments of Canada and the United States, entered into on September 12, 2006. In an effort to better enable CBP to accurately and timely fulfill its data collection and reporting obligations under the SLA 2006, this document identifies an additional entry code option that designates softwood lumber products that are specifically identified as exempt from SLA 2006 export measures pursuant to Annex 1A of the Agreement, notwithstanding the fact that the exempt goods are classifiable in residual Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States provisions that are listed as covered by the SLA 2006. This document also amends the list of required entry records set forth in the Appendix to part 163 of title 19 of the Code of Federal Regulations (19 CFR part 163) to reflect the record-keeping requirements prescribed in CBP Dec. 06–25.

Lastly, this document conforms the bond provisions applicable to certain imports of Canadian softwood lumber to reflect the softwood lumber provisions set forth in § 12.140 of title 19 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 17, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Millie Gleason, Office of International Trade, Tel: (202) 863-6557.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On September 12, 2006, the Governments of the United States and Canada (the “Parties”) signed a bilateral Softwood Lumber Agreement (“SLA 2006”) concerning trade in softwood lumber products.

On October 18, 2006, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) published in the **Federal Register** (71 FR 61399), as CBP Dec. 06-25, an interim rule amending § 12.140 of title 19 of the Code of Federal Regulations (19 CFR 12.140) to reflect the terms of the SLA 2006 by prescribing special entry requirements applicable to shipments of softwood lumber products from Canada. The interim amendments required importers to enter a letter code representing the softwood lumber product’s Canadian Region of Origin in the data entry field entitled “Country of Origin” located on the CBP Form 7501. Importers were also required to enter a Canadian-issued 8-digit export permit number preceded by a letter code designating either: (1) the date of shipment; (2) a Canadian Region whose exports of softwood lumber products are exempt from the export measures contained in the SLA 2006; or (3) a company listed in Annex 10 of the SLA 2006 as exempt from the Agreement’s export measures. Importers of softwood lumber products from the Maritimes were required to provide CBP with the original paper Certificate of Origin issued by the Maritime Lumber Bureau with the paper entry summary documentation. CBP Dec. 06-25 also amended, on an interim basis, the “List of Records Required for the Entry of Merchandise” set forth in the Appendix to part 163 of title 19 of the CFR (19 CFR part 163) to reflect the entry document requirements mandated by the SLA 2006.

Comments were solicited on the interim rule.

**Discussion of Comments**

Three comments were received in response to the solicitation of comments in CBP Dec. 06-25. One comment was retracted by the commenter. A description of the comments received, together with CBP’s analyses, is set forth below.

**Comment:**

One commenter offered support for the requirement set forth in CBP Dec. 06–25 that an original Certificate of Origin from the Maritime Lumber Bureau must accompany each entry of softwood lumber into the United States and requested that this requirement be retained in the final rule.

**CBP Response:**

This entry requirement is retained in the final rule.

**Comment:**

One commenter suggested that CBP adopt two additional data-input requirements for imports of Canadian softwood lumber products. The commenter recommended that CBP require importers to disclose the “Export Price” of the merchandise within the meaning of Article XXI.25 of the SLA 2006. As defined in the agreement, the Export Price is the taxable value for purposes of calculating SLA 2006 export fees that Canada is obligated to collect. The commenter also suggests that CBP require importers of all Canadian softwood lumber products to declare the merchandise’s “Date of Shipment” within the meaning of Article XXI.16 of the SLA 2006. The commenter asserts that this date is important because, depending on volumes shipped during specific periods (as determined by Date of Shipment), shipments from the Maritimes, the Territories, or by companies listed as excluded from export measures in the SLA 2006, can be subject to export measures notwithstanding normally applicable exemptions. The commenter notes that, under the terms of the interim rule, CBP is collecting Date of Shipment data regarding imports of most Canadian softwood lumber, but not on lumber produced in the Maritime Provinces, the Territories, or by excluded Canadian lumber producers.

**CBP Response:**

Pursuant to Article XV.B of the SLA 2006, the U.S. is obligated to provide Canada with the appraised value, as defined by CBP, for each entry of softwood lumber products filed during the preceding month. The U.S. does not collect export prices; exporters of softwood lumber to the U.S provide that data to Canada.

The commenter correctly notes that CBP collects Date of Shipment data for all imports of softwood lumber covered by the SLA 2006, except for entries of softwood lumber that claim an exemption from the Agreement’s export measures. Although CBP does not require Date of Shipment data for imports claiming exemption from SLA 2006 export measures, CBP collects the export date for these imports and uses that date to assess the Date of Shipment and, consequently, whether an exempt status remains valid for a given month.

**Other Comments:**

Additional comments were received after the close of the comment period proposing unilateral enforcement of the Softwood Lumber Agreement and the collection of additional information in order to determine if the correct amount of tax is actually collected by Canadian authorities.

**CBP Response:**

Such proposals exceed the scope of CBP authority and the requirements of the Softwood Lumber Agreement and consequently are not adopted in this document.

**Conclusion**

After review of the comments and further consideration, CBP has decided to adopt as final the interim rule published in the **Federal Register** (71 FR 61399) on October 18, 2006, as CBP Dec. 06–25, with the additional modifications set forth below.

As noted above, CBP Dec. 06–25 identifies a series of letter codes that are to be used as prefixes for the export permit numbers entered on the CBP Form 7501. These codes designate either an exclusion from export measures based on a product's Region of Origin, or a company's exempt-status, or the date of shipment as defined in Article XXI.16 of the SLA 2006. These codes enable the United States to fulfill its information collection and exchange obligations under Article XV of the Agreement by being able to assess monthly volumes attributable to specific Regions and excluded companies. This document clarifies CBP Dec. 06–25 by providing importers with an additional entry code option, "P88888888", which is used to designate entries of softwood lumber products that are specifically identified as exempt from SLA 2006 export measures pursuant to Annex 1A of the Agreement, notwithstanding the fact that the exempt goods are classifiable in residual Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States provisions that are otherwise listed as covered by the SLA 2006.

In addition, § 12.140(b) and (c) are amended to clarify that all entries of softwood lumber products must be submitted to CBP in an electronic format, except for entries of softwood lumber products whose region of origin is the Maritimes, which must be submitted to CBP in paper.

The "List of Records Required for the Entry of Merchandise" set forth in the Appendix to part 163 of title 19 of the CFR (19 CFR part 163) is also amended by this document to clarify that, in addition to the Certificate of Origin issued by Canada's Maritime Lumber Bureau, the Canadian-issued Export Permit is a required entry document as per the SLA 2006 and 19 CFR 12.140(d).

Lastly, this document conforms the bond provisions applicable to certain imports of Canadian softwood lumber, set forth in 19 CFR 113.62(k), to reflect the new organizational structure of the softwood lumber provisions set forth in 19 CFR 12.140. To that end, § 113.62(k) is amended by removing the reference to paragraph (a) within § 12.140, and the existing time period of 20 days within which a principal must establish to the satisfaction of CBP that the applicable export permit has been issued by the Government of Canada is changed to 10 days to reflect the fact that, pursuant to the SLA 2006, the export permit number must be submitted to CBP at the time of entry summary.

#### **Inapplicability of Notice and Delayed Effective Date Requirements**

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1), public notice and a delayed effective date are inapplicable to this regulation because it involves a foreign affairs function of the United States.

#### **Executive Order 12866**

Because this rule involves a foreign affairs function of the United States, it is not subject to Executive Order 12866 and has not been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

#### **Regulatory Flexibility Act**

Because no notice of proposed rulemaking is required for this rule, the provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) do not apply.

#### **Paperwork Reduction Act**

The collection of information referenced in this regulation, CBP Form 7501, has been previously reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3507) under OMB-assigned control number 1651-0022.

#### **Signing Authority**

This document is being issued in accordance with 19 CFR 0.1(a)(1).

#### **List of Subjects**

##### **19 CFR Part 12**

Bonds, Customs duties and inspection, Entry of merchandise, Imports, Prohibited merchandise, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Restricted merchandise.

**19 CFR Part 113**

Bonds, Customs duties and inspection, Imports, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Surety bonds.

**19 CFR Part 163**

Customs duties and inspection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

**Amendment to the Regulations**

For the reasons stated above, parts 12, 113 and 163 of title 19 of the Code of Federal Regulations are amended as set forth below.

**PART 12—SPECIAL CLASSES OF MERCHANDISE**

1. The authority citation for part 12 continues to read in part as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 301; 19 U.S.C. 66, 1202 (General Note 3(i), Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS)), 1624;

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2. Section 12.140 is revised to read as follows:

**§ 12.140 Entry of softwood lumber products from Canada.**

The requirements set forth in this section are applicable for as long as the Softwood Lumber Agreement (SLA 2006), entered into on September 12, 2006, by the Governments of the United States and Canada, remains in effect.

(a) Definitions. The following definitions apply for purposes of this section:

(1) British Columbia Coast. “British Columbia Coast” means the Coastal Forest Regions as defined by the existing Forest Regions and Districts Regulation, B.C. Reg. 123/2003.

(2) British Columbia Interior. “British Columbia Interior” means the Northern Interior Forest Region and the Southern Interior Forest Region as defined by the existing Forest Regions and Districts Regulation, B.C. Reg. 123/2003.

(3) Date of shipment. “Date of shipment” means, in the case of products exported by rail, the date when the railcar that contains the products is assembled to form part of a train for export; otherwise, the date when the products are loaded aboard a conveyance for export. If a shipment is transshipped through a Canadian reload center or other inventory location, the date of shipment is the date the merchandise leaves the reload center or other inventory location for final shipment to the United States.

(4) Maritimes. “Maritimes” means New Brunswick, Canada; Nova Scotia, Canada; Prince Edward Island, Canada; and

Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada.

(5) Region. “Region” means British Columbia Coast or British Columbia Interior as defined in paragraphs (a)(1) and (2) of this section; Alberta, Canada; Manitoba, Canada; Maritimes, Canada; Northwest Territories, Canada; Nunavut Territory, Canada; Ontario, Canada; Saskatchewan, Canada; Quebec, Canada; or Yukon Territory, Canada.

(6) Region of Origin. “Region of Origin” means the Region where the facility at which the softwood lumber product was first produced into such a product is located, regardless of whether that product was further processed (for example, by planing or kiln drying) or was transformed from one softwood lumber product into another such product (for example, a remanufactured product) in another Region, with the following exceptions:

(i) The Region of Origin of softwood lumber products first produced in the Maritime Provinces from logs originating in a non-Maritime Region will be the Region, as defined above, where the logs originated; and

(ii) The Region of Origin of softwood lumber products first produced in the Yukon, Northwest Territories or Nunavut (the “Territories”) from logs originating outside the Territories will be the Region where the logs originated.

(7) SLA 2006. “SLA 2006” or “SLA” means the Softwood Lumber Agreement entered into between the Governments of Canada and the United States on September 12, 2006.

(8) Softwood lumber products. “Softwood lumber products” mean those products described as covered by the SLA 2006 in Annex 1A of the Agreement.

(b) Reporting requirements. In the case of softwood lumber products from Canada listed in Annex 1A of the SLA 2006 as covered by the scope of the Agreement, the following information must be included on the electronic entry summary documentation (CBP Form 7501) for each entry (except for entries of softwood lumber products whose Region of Origin is the Maritimes, in which case entry summary documentation must be submitted in paper as set forth in paragraph (c) of this section):

(1) Region of Origin. The letter code representing a softwood lumber product’s Canadian Region of Origin, as posted on the Administrative Message Board in the Automated Commercial System. (For example, the letter code “XD” designates softwood lumber products whose Region of Origin is British Columbia Coast. The letter code “XE” designates softwood lumber products whose Region of Origin is British Columbia Interior.)

(2) Export Permit Number. (i) Export Permit Number issued by Canada at time of filing entry summary documentation. The 8-digit Canadian-issued Export Permit Number, preceded by one of the following letter codes:

(A) The letter code assigned to represent the date of shipment (i.e., “A” represents January, “B” represents February, “C” represents March, etc.), except for those softwood lumber products produced by a company listed in Annex 10 of the SLA 2006 or whose Region of Origin is the Maritimes, Yukon, Northwest Territories or Nunavut;

(B) The letter code “X”, which designates a company listed in Annex 10 of the SLA 2006; or

(C) The letter code assigned to represent the Maritimes (code M); Yukon (code Y); Northwest Territories (code W); or Nunavut (code N), for softwood lumber products originating in these regions.

(ii) No Export Permit Number required due to softwood lumber product’s exempt status. Where an Export Permit Number is not required because the imported softwood lumber product is specifically identified as exempt from SLA 2006 export measures pursuant to Annex 1A of the Agreement, notwithstanding the fact that the exempt goods are classifiable in residual Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States provisions otherwise listed as covered by the SLA 2006, the alpha-numeric code “P88888888” must be used in the Export Permit Number data entry field on the CBP Form 7501.

(c) Original Maritime Certificate of Origin. Where a softwood lumber product’s Region of Origin is the Maritimes, the original paper copy of the Certificate of Origin issued by the Maritime Lumber Bureau must be submitted to CBP and the entry summary documentation for each such entry must be in paper and not electronic. The Certificate of Origin must specifically state that the corresponding CBP entries are for softwood lumber products first produced in the Maritimes from logs originating in the Maritimes or State of Maine.

(d) Recordkeeping. Importers must retain copies of export permits, certificates of origin, and any other substantiating documentation issued by the Canadian Government pursuant to the recordkeeping requirements set forth in part 163 of title 19 to the CFR.

### PART 113 — CUSTOMS BONDS

3. The general authority citation for part 113 continues to read as follows:

**AUTHORITY:** 6 U.S.C. 101, *et. seq.*; 19 U.S.C. 66, 1623, 1624.

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4. In § 113.62, paragraph (k) is amended by:

a. Removing the term “§ 12.140(a)” and adding in its place the term “§ 12.140”;

b. Removing the number “20” and adding in its place the number “10”; and



c. Removing the word “Customs” and adding in its place the term “CBP”.

### PART 163 — RECORDKEEPING

5. The authority citation for part 163 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 301; 19 U.S.C. 66, 1484, 1508, 1509, 1510, 1624.

6. The Appendix to part 163 is amended by removing the listing for § 12.140(c) and adding in its place § 12.140(b) and (c) under section IV to read as follows:

#### **Appendix to Part 163 – Interim (a)(1)(A) List**

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IV. \* \* \*

**§ 12.140(b) and (c) Canadian-issued Export Permit, Certificate of Origin issued by Canada’s Maritime Lumber Bureau.**

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Approved: April 10, 2008

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FOREIGN CURRENCIESDAILY RATES FOR COUNTRIES NOT ON QUARTERLY LIST FOR  
JANUARY, 2008

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5151, has certified buying rates for the dates and foreign currencies shown below. The rates of exchange, based on these buying rates, are published for the information and use of Customs officers and others concerned pursuant to Part 159, Subpart C, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 159, Subpart C).

Holiday(s): January 1, 2008  
January 21, 2008

## European Union euro:

January 1, 2008	1.460300
January 2, 2008	1.473800
January 3, 2008	1.473600
January 4, 2008	1.478600
January 5, 2008	1.478600
January 6, 2008	1.478600
January 7, 2008	1.468400
January 8, 2008	1.471700
January 9, 2008	1.466300
January 10, 2008	1.474000
January 11, 2008	1.478700
January 12, 2008	1.478700
January 13, 2008	1.478700
January 14, 2008	1.487700
January 15, 2008	1.484200
January 16, 2008	1.464300
January 17, 2008	1.469000
January 18, 2008	1.461600
January 19, 2008	1.461600
January 20, 2008	1.461600
January 21, 2008	1.461600
January 22, 2008	1.469000
January 23, 2008	1.457400
January 24, 2008	1.473700
January 25, 2008	1.467300
January 26, 2008	1.467300
January 27, 2008	1.467300
January 28, 2008	1.478900
January 29, 2008	1.476700
January 30, 2008	1.478200
January 31, 2008	1.484100

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly  
list for January 2008 (continued):

South Korea won:

January 1, 2008 .....	0.001069
January 2, 2008 .....	0.001068
January 3, 2008 .....	0.001068
January 4, 2008 .....	0.001066
January 5, 2008 .....	0.001066
January 6, 2008 .....	0.001066
January 7, 2008 .....	0.001064
January 8, 2008 .....	0.001065
January 9, 2008 .....	0.001067
January 10, 2008 .....	0.001067
January 11, 2008 .....	0.001067
January 12, 2008 .....	0.001067
January 13, 2008 .....	0.001067
January 14, 2008 .....	0.001067
January 15, 2008 .....	0.001069
January 16, 2008 .....	0.001061
January 17, 2008 .....	0.001057
January 18, 2008 .....	0.001057
January 19, 2008 .....	0.001057
January 20, 2008 .....	0.001057
January 21, 2008 .....	0.001057
January 22, 2008 .....	0.001057
January 23, 2008 .....	0.001049
January 24, 2008 .....	0.001054
January 25, 2008 .....	0.001055
January 26, 2008 .....	0.001055
January 27, 2008 .....	0.001055
January 28, 2008 .....	0.001054
January 29, 2008 .....	0.001062
January 30, 2008 .....	0.001058
January 31, 2008 .....	0.001060

Taiwan N.T. dollar:

January 1, 2008 .....	0.030836
January 2, 2008 .....	0.030826
January 3, 2008 .....	0.030836
January 4, 2008 .....	0.030845
January 5, 2008 .....	0.030845
January 6, 2008 .....	0.030845
January 7, 2008 .....	0.030779
January 8, 2008 .....	0.030807
January 9, 2008 .....	0.030798
January 10, 2008 .....	0.030779
January 11, 2008 .....	0.030798
January 12, 2008 .....	0.030798
January 13, 2008 .....	0.030798
January 14, 2008 .....	0.030931
January 15, 2008 .....	0.031027
January 16, 2008 .....	0.030989
January 17, 2008 .....	0.030979
January 18, 2008 .....	0.030950

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly list for January 2008 (continued):

Taiwan N.T. dollar: (continued):

January 19, 2008 .....	0.030950
January 20, 2008 .....	0.030950
January 21, 2008 .....	0.030950
January 22, 2008 .....	0.030979
January 23, 2008 .....	0.030855
January 24, 2008 .....	0.030921
January 25, 2008 .....	0.030969
January 26, 2008 .....	0.030969
January 27, 2008 .....	0.030969
January 28, 2008 .....	0.030941
January 29, 2008 .....	0.030969
January 30, 2008 .....	0.031056
January 31, 2008 .....	0.031104

Dated: February 1, 2008

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(CBP Dec. 08–12)

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

VARIANCES FROM QUARTERLY RATES FOR JANUARY, 2008

The following rates of exchange are based upon rates certified to the Secretary of the Treasury by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5151, and reflect variances of 5 per centum or more from the quarterly rates published in CBP Decision 08–08 for the following countries. Therefore, as to entries covering merchandise exported on the dates listed, whenever it is necessary for Customs purposes to convert such currency into currency of the United States, conversion shall be at the following rates.

Holiday(s): January 1, 2008  
January 21, 2008

South Africa rand

January 25, 2008 .....	0.139762
January 26, 2008 .....	0.139762
January 27, 2008 .....	0.139762
January 28, 2008 .....	0.138985
January 29, 2008 .....	0.139179
January 30, 2008 .....	0.136799
January 31, 2008 .....	0.134183

## FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for January 2008 (continued):

## Thailand baht

January 28, 2008 .....	0.031867
January 29, 2008 .....	0.031898
January 30, 2008 .....	0.031797

Dated: February 1, 2008

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(CBP Dec. 08–13)

## FOREIGN CURRENCIES

## DAILY RATES FOR COUNTRIES NOT ON QUARTERLY LIST FOR FEBRUARY, 2008

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5151, has certified buying rates for the dates and foreign currencies shown below. The rates of exchange, based on these buying rates, are published for the information and use of Customs officers and others concerned pursuant to Part 159, Subpart C, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 159, Subpart C).

Holiday: February 18, 2008

## European Union euro:

February 1, 2008 .....	1.485100
February 2, 2008 .....	1.485100
February 3, 2008 .....	1.485100
February 4, 2008 .....	1.483200
February 5, 2008 .....	1.463800
February 6, 2008 .....	1.464700
February 7, 2008 .....	1.449500
February 8, 2008 .....	1.450500
February 9, 2008 .....	1.450500
February 10, 2008 .....	1.450500
February 11, 2008 .....	1.450600
February 12, 2008 .....	1.459200
February 13, 2008 .....	1.456900
February 14, 2008 .....	1.463500
February 15, 2008 .....	1.467400
February 16, 2008 .....	1.467400
February 17, 2008 .....	1.467400
February 18, 2008 .....	1.467400
February 19, 2008 .....	1.474200
February 20, 2008 .....	1.466300
February 21, 2008 .....	1.481300
February 22, 2008 .....	1.482500

## FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly list for February (continued):

## European Union euro: (continued):

February 23, 2008 .....	1.482500
February 24, 2008 .....	1.482500
February 25, 2008 .....	1.482200
February 26, 2008 .....	1.488900
February 27, 2008 .....	1.513200
February 28, 2008 .....	1.517200
February 29, 2008 .....	1.518700

## South Korea won:

February 1, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 2, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 3, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 4, 2008 .....	0.001062
February 5, 2008 .....	0.001060
February 6, 2008 .....	0.001062
February 7, 2008 .....	0.001062
February 8, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 9, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 10, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 11, 2008 .....	0.001058
February 12, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 13, 2008 .....	0.001058
February 14, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 15, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 16, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 17, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 18, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 19, 2008 .....	0.001059
February 20, 2008 .....	0.001055
February 21, 2008 .....	0.001055
February 22, 2008 .....	0.001055
February 23, 2008 .....	0.001055
February 24, 2008 .....	0.001055
February 25, 2008 .....	0.001056
February 26, 2008 .....	0.001057
February 27, 2008 .....	0.001066
February 28, 2008 .....	0.001067
February 29, 2008 .....	0.001061

## Taiwan N.T. dollar:

February 1, 2008 .....	0.031221
February 2, 2008 .....	0.031221
February 3, 2008 .....	0.031221
February 4, 2008 .....	0.031221
February 5, 2008 .....	0.031250
February 6, 2008 .....	0.031250
February 7, 2008 .....	0.031250
February 8, 2008 .....	0.031250
February 9, 2008 .....	0.031250
February 10, 2008 .....	0.031250

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly list for February 2008 (continued):

Taiwan N.T. dollar: (continued):

February 11, 2008 .....	0.031250
February 12, 2008 .....	0.031377
February 13, 2008 .....	0.031616
February 14, 2008 .....	0.031556
February 15, 2008 .....	0.031516
February 16, 2008 .....	0.031516
February 17, 2008 .....	0.031516
February 18, 2008 .....	0.031516
February 19, 2008 .....	0.031586
February 20, 2008 .....	0.031616
February 21, 2008 .....	0.031726
February 22, 2008 .....	0.031939
February 23, 2008 .....	0.031939
February 24, 2008 .....	0.031939
February 25, 2008 .....	0.032000
February 26, 2008 .....	0.032072
February 27, 2008 .....	0.032362
February 28, 2008 .....	0.032362
February 29, 2008 .....	0.032342

Dated: March 1, 2008

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(CBP Dec. 08–14)

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

VARIANCES FROM QUARTERLY RATES FOR FEBRUARY, 2008

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Holiday: February 18, 2008

Australia dollar

February 26, 2008 .....	0.929200
February 27, 2008 .....	0.941700
February 28, 2008 .....	0.946300
February 29, 2008 .....	0.937000

## FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for February 2008 (continued):

Brazil real	
February 27, 2008 .....	0.599844
China yuan	
February 14, 2008 .....	0.125415
Japan yen	
February 29, 2008 .....	0.009598
New Zealand dollar	
February 26, 2008 .....	0.812800
February 27, 2008 .....	0.817500
February 28, 2008 .....	0.814600
South Africa rand	
February 1, 2008 .....	0.134953
February 2, 2008 .....	0.134953
February 3, 2008 .....	0.134953
February 4, 2008 .....	0.134336
February 5, 2008 .....	0.131735
February 6, 2008 .....	0.131148
February 7, 2008 .....	0.129618
February 8, 2008 .....	0.128287
February 9, 2008 .....	0.128287
February 10, 2008 .....	0.128287
February 11, 2008 .....	0.128353
February 12, 2008 .....	0.129955
February 13, 2008 .....	0.129559
February 14, 2008 .....	0.130336
February 15, 2008 .....	0.130548
February 16, 2008 .....	0.130548
February 17, 2008 .....	0.130548
February 18, 2008 .....	0.130548
February 19, 2008 .....	0.130463
February 20, 2008 .....	0.126662
February 21, 2008 .....	0.129016
February 22, 2008 .....	0.129199
February 23, 2008 .....	0.129199
February 24, 2008 .....	0.129199
February 25, 2008 .....	0.129752
February 26, 2008 .....	0.132301
February 27, 2008 .....	0.134680
February 28, 2008 .....	0.132319
February 29, 2008 .....	0.129199
Switzerland franc	
February 28, 2008 .....	0.949397
February 29, 2008 .....	0.958313



## FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for February 2008 (continued):

## Thailand baht

February 7, 2008 .....	0.031817
February 11, 2008 .....	0.031417
February 12, 2008 .....	0.031172
February 13, 2008 .....	0.031221
February 14, 2008 .....	0.031328
February 15, 2008 .....	0.031686
February 16, 2008 .....	0.031686
February 17, 2008 .....	0.031686
February 18, 2008 .....	0.031686
February 19, 2008 .....	0.031596
February 20, 2008 .....	0.031716

Dated: March 1, 2008

MARGARET T. BLOM,  
*Acting Chief,*  
*Customs Information Exchange.*



(CBP Dec. 08–15)

## FOREIGN CURRENCIES

## DAILY RATES FOR COUNTRIES NOT ON QUARTERLY LIST FOR MARCH, 2008

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5151, has certified buying rates for the dates and foreign currencies shown below. The rates of exchange, based on these buying rates, are published for the information and use of Customs officers and others concerned pursuant to Part 159, Subpart C, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 159, Subpart C).

Holiday(s): none

## European Union euro:

March 1, 2008 .....	1.518700
March 2, 2008 .....	1.518700
March 3, 2008 .....	1.519500
March 4, 2008 .....	1.521000
March 5, 2008 .....	1.528200
March 6, 2008 .....	1.535600
March 7, 2008 .....	1.533300
March 8, 2008 .....	1.533300
March 9, 2008 .....	1.533300
March 10, 2008 .....	1.536900
March 11, 2008 .....	1.532900
March 12, 2008 .....	1.549500
March 13, 2008 .....	1.558400
March 14, 2008 .....	1.560400

## FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly list for March (continued):

## European Union euro: (continued):

March 15, 2008 .....	1.560400
March 16, 2008 .....	1.560400
March 17, 2008 .....	1.576500
March 18, 2008 .....	1.578400
March 19, 2008 .....	1.564200
March 20, 2008 .....	1.541700
March 21, 2008 .....	1.544700
March 22, 2008 .....	1.544700
March 23, 2008 .....	1.544700
March 24, 2008 .....	1.539400
March 25, 2008 .....	1.559500
March 26, 2008 .....	1.576100
March 27, 2008 .....	1.579800
March 28, 2008 .....	1.575900
March 29, 2008 .....	1.575900
March 30, 2008 .....	1.575900
March 31, 2008 .....	1.580500

## South Korea won:

March 1, 2008 .....	0.001061
March 2, 2008 .....	0.001061
March 3, 2008 .....	0.001056
March 4, 2008 .....	0.001055
March 5, 2008 .....	0.001055
March 6, 2008 .....	0.001050
March 7, 2008 .....	0.001045
March 8, 2008 .....	0.001045
March 9, 2008 .....	0.001045
March 10, 2008 .....	0.001035
March 11, 2008 .....	0.001035
March 12, 2008 .....	0.001032
March 13, 2008 .....	0.001018
March 14, 2008 .....	0.001003
March 15, 2008 .....	0.001003
March 16, 2008 .....	0.001003
March 17, 2008 .....	0.000979
March 18, 2008 .....	0.000992
March 19, 2008 .....	0.000992
March 20, 2008 .....	0.000991
March 21, 2008 .....	0.000998
March 22, 2008 .....	0.000998
March 23, 2008 .....	0.000998
March 24, 2008 .....	0.001006
March 25, 2008 .....	0.001025
March 26, 2008 .....	0.001007
March 27, 2008 .....	0.001010
March 28, 2008 .....	0.001008
March 29, 2008 .....	0.001008
March 30, 2008 .....	0.001008
March 31, 2008 .....	0.001012

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly list for March 2008 (continued):

Taiwan N.T. dollar:

March 1, 2008 .....	0.032342
March 2, 2008 .....	0.032342
March 3, 2008 .....	0.032165
March 4, 2008 .....	0.032352
March 5, 2008 .....	0.032436
March 6, 2008 .....	0.032573
March 7, 2008 .....	0.032563
March 8, 2008 .....	0.032563
March 9, 2008 .....	0.032563
March 10, 2008 .....	0.032648
March 11, 2008 .....	0.032701
March 12, 2008 .....	0.032595
March 13, 2008 .....	0.032616
March 14, 2008 .....	0.032531
March 15, 2008 .....	0.032531
March 16, 2008 .....	0.032531
March 17, 2008 .....	0.032415
March 18, 2008 .....	0.032552
March 19, 2008 .....	0.032563
March 20, 2008 .....	0.032616
March 21, 2008 .....	0.032787
March 22, 2008 .....	0.032787
March 23, 2008 .....	0.032787
March 24, 2008 .....	0.033124
March 25, 2008 .....	0.033245
March 26, 2008 .....	0.033344
March 27, 2008 .....	0.033179
March 28, 2008 .....	0.032916
March 29, 2008 .....	0.032916
March 30, 2008 .....	0.032916
March 31, 2008 .....	0.032927

Dated: April 1, 2008

MARGARET T. BLOM,  
*Acting Chief,*  
*Customs Information Exchange.*

(CBP Dec. 08–16)

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

VARIANCES FROM QUARTERLY RATES FOR MARCH, 2008

The following rates of exchange are based upon rates certified to the Secretary of the Treasury by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5151, and reflect variances of 5 per centum or more from the quarterly rates published in CBP Decision 08–14 for the following countries. Therefore, as to entries covering merchandise ex-

## FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for March 2008 (continued):

ported on the dates listed, whenever it is necessary for Customs purposes to convert such currency into currency of the United States, conversion shall be at the following rates.

Holiday(s): none

## Australia dollar

March 1, 2008 .....	0.937000
March 2, 2008 .....	0.937000
March 3, 2008 .....	0.940900
March 5, 2008 .....	0.931900
March 6, 2008 .....	0.931700
March 7, 2008 .....	0.928300
March 8, 2008 .....	0.928300
March 9, 2008 .....	0.928300
March 12, 2008 .....	0.932200
March 13, 2008 .....	0.941100
March 14, 2008 .....	0.937100
March 15, 2008 .....	0.937100
March 16, 2008 .....	0.937100
March 18, 2008 .....	0.927100

## Brazil real

March 3, 2008 .....	0.595983
March 5, 2008 .....	0.599772
March 6, 2008 .....	0.599161

## Denmark krone

March 13, 2008 .....	0.209043
March 14, 2008 .....	0.209306
March 15, 2008 .....	0.209306
March 16, 2008 .....	0.209306
March 17, 2008 .....	0.211399
March 18, 2008 .....	0.211582
March 19, 2008 .....	0.209732
March 25, 2008 .....	0.209091
March 26, 2008 .....	0.211327
March 27, 2008 .....	0.211918
March 28, 2008 .....	0.211399
March 29, 2008 .....	0.211399
March 30, 2008 .....	0.211399
March 31, 2008 .....	0.211963

## Japan yen

March 1, 2008 .....	0.009598
March 2, 2008 .....	0.009598
March 3, 2008 .....	0.009655
March 4, 2008 .....	0.009740
March 5, 2008 .....	0.009616
March 6, 2008 .....	0.009699
March 7, 2008 .....	0.009738

## FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for March 2008 (continued):

## Japan yen (continued):

March 8, 2008 . . . . .	0.009738
March 9, 2008 . . . . .	0.009738
March 10, 2008 . . . . .	0.009823
March 11, 2008 . . . . .	0.009721
March 12, 2008 . . . . .	0.009768
March 13, 2008 . . . . .	0.009942
March 14, 2008 . . . . .	0.009980
March 15, 2008 . . . . .	0.009980
March 16, 2008 . . . . .	0.009980
March 17, 2008 . . . . .	0.010322
March 18, 2008 . . . . .	0.010180
March 19, 2008 . . . . .	0.010066
March 20, 2008 . . . . .	0.010122
March 21, 2008 . . . . .	0.010060
March 22, 2008 . . . . .	0.010060
March 23, 2008 . . . . .	0.010060
March 24, 2008 . . . . .	0.009924
March 25, 2008 . . . . .	0.009993
March 26, 2008 . . . . .	0.010089
March 27, 2008 . . . . .	0.010013
March 28, 2008 . . . . .	0.010029
March 29, 2008 . . . . .	0.010029
March 30, 2008 . . . . .	0.010029
March 31, 2008 . . . . .	0.010015

## New Zealand dollar

March 13, 2008 . . . . .	0.813400
March 14, 2008 . . . . .	0.814900
March 15, 2008 . . . . .	0.814900
March 16, 2008 . . . . .	0.814900

## Norway krone

March 6, 2008 . . . . .	0.195274
March 12, 2008 . . . . .	0.195729
March 13, 2008 . . . . .	0.195825
March 14, 2008 . . . . .	0.194852
March 15, 2008 . . . . .	0.194852
March 16, 2008 . . . . .	0.194852
March 17, 2008 . . . . .	0.195492
March 18, 2008 . . . . .	0.195580
March 26, 2008 . . . . .	0.196390
March 27, 2008 . . . . .	0.196850
March 28, 2008 . . . . .	0.195687
March 29, 2008 . . . . .	0.195687
March 30, 2008 . . . . .	0.195687
March 31, 2008 . . . . .	0.196746

## Republic of South Africa rand

March 1, 2008 . . . . .	0.129199
March 2, 2008 . . . . .	0.129199

## FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for March 2008 (continued):

## Republic of South Africa rand (continued):

March 3, 2008 .....	0.128609
March 4, 2008 .....	0.126350
March 5, 2008 .....	0.128866
March 6, 2008 .....	0.126263
March 7, 2008 .....	0.125227
March 8, 2008 .....	0.125227
March 9, 2008 .....	0.125227
March 10, 2008 .....	0.124649
March 11, 2008 .....	0.126863
March 12, 2008 .....	0.127714
March 13, 2008 .....	0.126024
March 14, 2008 .....	0.126523
March 15, 2008 .....	0.126523
March 16, 2008 .....	0.126523
March 17, 2008 .....	0.122587
March 18, 2008 .....	0.124456
March 19, 2008 .....	0.125016
March 20, 2008 .....	0.121766
March 21, 2008 .....	0.122624
March 22, 2008 .....	0.122624
March 23, 2008 .....	0.122624
March 24, 2008 .....	0.123457
March 25, 2008 .....	0.124456
March 26, 2008 .....	0.124578
March 27, 2008 .....	0.125567
March 28, 2008 .....	0.123839
March 29, 2008 .....	0.123839
March 30, 2008 .....	0.123839
March 31, 2008 .....	0.122790

## Sweden krona

March 12, 2008 .....	0.164577
March 13, 2008 .....	0.165128
March 14, 2008 .....	0.165177
March 15, 2008 .....	0.165177
March 16, 2008 .....	0.165177
March 17, 2008 .....	0.166506
March 18, 2008 .....	0.167048
March 19, 2008 .....	0.166486
March 25, 2008 .....	0.166027
March 26, 2008 .....	0.167515
March 27, 2008 .....	0.168073
March 28, 2008 .....	0.167954
March 29, 2008 .....	0.167954
March 30, 2008 .....	0.167954
March 31, 2008 .....	0.168464

## Switzerland franc

March 1, 2008 .....	0.958313
March 2, 2008 .....	0.958313
March 3, 2008 .....	0.958681

## FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for March 2008 (continued):

## Switzerland franc (continued):

March 4, 2008 .....	0.965810
March 5, 2008 .....	0.964878
March 6, 2008 .....	0.971723
March 7, 2008 .....	0.975610
March 8, 2008 .....	0.975610
March 9, 2008 .....	0.975610
March 10, 2008 .....	0.981162
March 11, 2008 .....	0.971628
March 12, 2008 .....	0.978761
March 13, 2008 .....	0.988533
March 14, 2008 .....	0.992851
March 15, 2008 .....	0.992851
March 16, 2008 .....	0.992851
March 17, 2008 .....	1.014199
March 18, 2008 .....	1.010203
March 19, 2008 .....	0.999400
March 20, 2008 .....	0.989413
March 21, 2008 .....	0.991572
March 22, 2008 .....	0.991572
March 23, 2008 .....	0.991572
March 24, 2008 .....	0.977517
March 25, 2008 .....	0.991277
March 26, 2008 .....	1.004520
March 27, 2008 .....	1.006847
March 28, 2008 .....	1.001904
March 29, 2008 .....	1.001904
March 30, 2008 .....	1.001904
March 31, 2008 .....	1.007963

## Thailand baht

March 3, 2008 .....	0.031736
March 4, 2008 .....	0.031797
March 5, 2008 .....	0.031736
March 6, 2008 .....	0.031686
March 7, 2008 .....	0.031766
March 8, 2008 .....	0.031766
March 9, 2008 .....	0.031766
March 10, 2008 .....	0.031746
March 11, 2008 .....	0.031726
March 12, 2008 .....	0.031696
March 13, 2008 .....	0.031797
March 14, 2008 .....	0.031898
March 15, 2008 .....	0.031898
March 16, 2008 .....	0.031898
March 17, 2008 .....	0.031847
March 24, 2008 .....	0.031797
March 25, 2008 .....	0.031756
March 26, 2008 .....	0.031878
March 27, 2008 .....	0.031898
March 28, 2008 .....	0.031867

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for March 2008 (continued):

Thailand baht (continued):

March 29, 2008 .....	0.031867
March 30, 2008 .....	0.031867
March 31, 2008 .....	0.031807

Dated: April 1, 2008

MARGARET T. BLOM,  
*Acting Chief,*  
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01/01/08

LIQ-03-01-RR:OO:CI

RE: SECTION 159.34 CFR

SUBJECT: CERTIFIED RATES OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE: FIRST  
QUARTER, 2008

LISTED BELOW ARE THE BUYING RATES CERTIFIED FOR THE QUARTER TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY BY THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK UNDER PROVISION OF 31 USC 5151. THESE QUARTERLY RATES ARE APPLICABLE THROUGHOUT THE QUARTER EXCEPT WHEN THE CERTIFIED DAILY RATES VARY BY 5% OR MORE. SUCH VARIANCES MAY BE OBTAINED BY CALLING (646) 733-3065 OR (646) 733-3057.

QUARTER BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2008 AND ENDING  
MARCH 31, 2008

COUNTRY	CURRENCY	U.S. DOLLARS
AUSTRALIA .....	DOLLAR .....	\$0.881200
BRAZIL .....	REAL .....	\$0.565579
CANADA .....	DOLLAR .....	\$1.007861
CHINA, P.R. ....	YUAN .....	\$0.137088
DENMARK .....	KRONE .....	\$0.197707
HONG KONG .....	DOLLAR .....	\$0.128029
INDIA .....	RUPEE .....	\$0.025381
JAPAN .....	YEN .....	\$0.009116
MALAYSIA .....	RINGGIT .....	\$0.302170
MEXICO .....	PESO .....	\$0.091726
NEW ZEALAND .....	DOLLAR .....	\$0.773200
NORWAY .....	KRONE .....	\$0.185069
SINGAPORE .....	DOLLAR .....	\$0.695652
SOUTH AFRICA .....	RAND .....	\$0.146789
SRI LANKA .....	RUPEE .....	\$0.009214
SWEDEN .....	KRONA .....	\$0.156333
SWITZERLAND .....	FRANC .....	\$0.894935
THAILAND .....	BAHT .....	\$0.033501
UNITED KINGDOM .....	POUND STERLING .....	\$1.982400
VENEZUELA .....	BOLIVAR .....	\$0.467290

MARGARET BLOM,  
*Acting Chief,*  
*Customs Information Exchange.*

04/01/08

LIQ-03-01-RR:OO:CI

RE: SECTION 159.34 CFR

SUBJECT: CERTIFIED RATES OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE: SECOND QUARTER, 2008

LISTED BELOW ARE THE BUYING RATES CERTIFIED FOR THE QUARTER TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY BY THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK UNDER PROVISION OF 31 USC 5151. THESE QUARTERLY RATES ARE APPLICABLE THROUGHOUT THE QUARTER EXCEPT WHEN THE CERTIFIED DAILY RATES VARY BY 5% OR MORE. SUCH VARIANCES MAY BE OBTAINED BY CALLING (646) 733-3065 OR (646) 733-3057.

QUARTER BEGINNING APRIL 1, 2008 AND ENDING  
JUNE 30, 2008

COUNTRY	CURRENCY	U.S. DOLLARS
AUSTRALIA .....	DOLLAR .....	\$0.906700
BRAZIL .....	REAL .....	\$0.574383
CANADA .....	DOLLAR .....	\$0.973899
CHINA, P.R. ....	YUAN .....	\$0.142621
DENMARK .....	KRONE .....	\$0.209415
HONG KONG .....	DOLLAR .....	\$0.128422
INDIA .....	RUPEE .....	\$0.025075
JAPAN .....	YEN .....	\$0.009826
MALAYSIA .....	RINGGIT .....	\$0.314812
MEXICO .....	PESO .....	\$0.094331
NEW ZEALAND .....	DOLLAR .....	\$0.781400
NORWAY .....	KRONE .....	\$0.192767
SINGAPORE .....	DOLLAR .....	\$0.725584
SOUTH AFRICA .....	RAND .....	\$0.124609
SRI LANKA .....	RUPEE .....	\$0.009281
SWEDEN .....	KRONA .....	\$0.166448
SWITZERLAND .....	FRANC .....	\$0.989315
THAILAND .....	BAHT .....	\$0.031867
UNITED KINGDOM .....	POUND STERLING .....	\$1.977400
VENEZUELA .....	BOLIVAR .....	\$0.466287

MARGARET BLOM,  
*Acting Chief,*  
*Customs Information Exchange.*

*General Notices***ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF CAMIN CARGO CONTROL, INC., AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Camin Cargo Control, Inc., as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Camin Cargo Control, Inc., 1800 Dabney Drive, Pasadena, TX 77536, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Camin Cargo Control, Inc., as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on December 20, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for December 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

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**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF INSPECTORATE  
AMERICA CORPORATION, AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER  
AND LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Inspectorate America Corporation, as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Inspectorate America Corporation, 5237 Halls Mill Road - Building F, Mobile, AL 36619, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Inspectorate America Corporation, as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on July 19, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for July 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF SAYBOLT LP, AS A  
COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Saybolt LP, 1123-A Highway 43, Saraland, AL 36571, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on July 17, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for July 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
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**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF INSPECTORATE  
AMERICA CORPORATION, AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER  
AND LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Inspectorate America Corporation, as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Inspectorate America Corporation, 3904 Corporex Park Drive Suite 145, Tampa, FL 33619, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Inspectorate America Corporation, as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on August 22, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for August 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF INSPECTORATE  
AMERICA CORPORATION, AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER  
AND LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Inspectorate America Corporation, as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Inspectorate America Corporation, 4350 Oakes Rd. Suite 521 A, Davie, FL 33314, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Inspectorate America Corporation, as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on September 20, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for September 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF SAYBOLT LP, AS A  
COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Saybolt LP, 6531 Evergreen Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32208, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on August 20, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for August 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

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**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF SAYBOLT LP, AS A  
COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Saybolt LP, 3915 Saw Mill Run Blvd., Pittsburg, PA 15227, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on August 08, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for August 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

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**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF SAYBOLT LP, AS A  
COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Saybolt LP, 780B Primos Avenue, Folcroft, PA 19032, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on July 24, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for July 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
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*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

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**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF INTERTEK USA, INC., AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Intertek USA, Inc., as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Intertek USA, Inc., 481 A East Shore Parkway, New Haven, CT 06512, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Intertek USA, Inc., as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on July 26, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for July 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
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**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF SAYBOLT LP, AS A  
COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Saybolt LP, 1026 W. Elizabeth Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on September 19, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for September 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

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**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF BENNETT TESTING  
SERVICE, INC., AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND  
LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Bennett Testing Service, Inc., as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Bennett Testing Service, Inc., 99 Lafayette Street, Carteret, NJ 07008, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Bennett Testing Service, Inc., as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on February 23, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for February 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF SAYBOLT LP, AS A  
COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Saybolt LP, 2610 S. Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation and approval of Saybolt LP, as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on September 18, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for September 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

**APPROVAL OF SGS NORTH AMERICA, INC., AS A  
COMMERCIAL GAUGER**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of approval of SGS North America, Inc., as a commercial gauger.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.13, SGS North America, Inc., 1267 N. Witter St., Pasadena, TX 77536, has been approved to gauge petroleum, petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific gauger service this entity is approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The approval of SGS North America, Inc., as commercial gauger became effective on April 18, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for April 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

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**APPROVAL OF INTERTEK USA, INC., AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of approval of Intertek USA, Inc., as a commercial gauger,

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.13, Intertek USA, Inc., Urb. Constancia 181 1 Paseo Las Colonias, Ponce, PR 00624, has been approved to gauge petroleum, petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific gauger service this entity is approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The approval of Intertek USA, Inc., as commercial gauger became effective on September 28, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for September 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

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**APPROVAL OF FREEBOARD INTERNATIONAL, AS A  
COMMERCIAL GAUGER**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of approval of Freeboard International, as a commercial gauger.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.13, Freeboard International, 2500 Brunswick Ave., Linden, NJ 07036, has been approved to gauge petroleum, petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific gauger service this entity is approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The approval of Freeboard International, as commercial gauger became effective on September 20, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for September 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

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**ACCREDITATION OF INTERTEK USA, INC., AS A  
COMMERCIAL LABORATORY**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation of Intertek USA, Inc., as a commercial laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12, Intertek USA, Inc., 1114 Seaco Avenue, Deer Park, TX 77217, has been accredited to test petroleum, petroleum products, organic chemicals and vegetable oils for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test this entity is accredited to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations\\_support/labs\\_scientific\\_svcs/commercial\\_gaugers/](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/)

**DATES:** The accreditation of Intertek USA, Inc., as commercial laboratory became effective on December 13, 2007. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for December 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060.

Dated: April 7, 2008

IRA S. REESE,  
*Executive Director,*  
*Laboratories and Scientific Services.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY,  
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS.  
*Washington, DC, April 16, 2008*

The following documents of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (“CBP”), Office of Regulations and Rulings, have been determined to be of sufficient interest to the public and CBP field offices to merit publication in the CUSTOMS BULLETIN.

SANDRA L. BELL,  
*Executive Director,  
Regulations and Rulings,  
Office of International Trade.*

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**PROPOSED REVOCATION OF A RULING LETTER AND  
REVOCATION OF TREATMENT RELATING TO THE  
CLASSIFICATION OF A ROTARY CUTTING BLADE**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Customs and Border Protection; Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Proposed revocation of a classification ruling letter and revocation of treatment relating to the classification of a rotary cutting blade.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 625(c), Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1625(c)), this notice advises interested parties that the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is proposing to revoke two ruling letters relating to the classification of catalytic converter ceramic substrates. CBP is also proposing to modify or revoke any treatment previously accorded by it to substantially identical merchandise.

**DATE:** Comments must be received on or before May 30, 2008.

**ADDRESS:** Written comments are to be addressed to the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Office of International Trade, Regulations & Rulings, Attention: Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. 20229. Submitted comments may be inspected at the offices of Customs and Border Protection, 799 9th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. during regular business hours. Arrangements to inspect submitted comments should be made in advance by calling Mr. Joseph Clark at (202) 572-8768.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kelly Herman,  
Tariff Classification and Marking Branch: (202) 572-8713.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**BACKGROUND**

On December 8, 1993, Title VI, (Customs Modernization), of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Pub. L. 103-182, 107 Stat. 2057) (hereinafter "Title VI"), became effective. Title VI amended many sections of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and related laws. Two new concepts which emerge from the law are "**informed compliance**" and "**shared responsibility**." These concepts are premised on the idea that in order to maximize voluntary compliance with customs laws and regulations, the trade community needs to be clearly and completely informed of its legal obligations. Accordingly, the law imposes a greater obligation on CBP to provide the public with improved information concerning the trade community's responsibilities and rights under the customs and related laws. In addition, both the trade and CBP share responsibility in carrying out import requirements. For example, under section 484 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. § 1484), the importer of record is responsible for using reasonable care to enter, classify and value imported merchandise, and provide any other information necessary to enable CBP to properly assess duties, collect accurate statistics and determine whether any other applicable legal requirement is met.

Pursuant to section 625(c)(1), Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1625(c)(1)), as amended by section 623 of Title VI, this notice advises interested parties that CBP is proposing to revoke a ruling letter pertaining to the classification of a rotary cutting blade. Although in this notice, CBP is specifically referring to the revocation of Headquarters Ruling Letter (HQ) 085831, dated November 13, 1989 (Attachment A), this notice covers any rulings on this merchandise which may exist but have not been specifically identified. CBP has undertaken reasonable efforts to search existing databases for rulings in addition to the one identified. No further rulings have been found. Any party who has received an interpretive ruling or decision (i.e., a ruling letter, internal advice memorandum or decision or protest review decision) on the merchandise subject to this notice should advise CBP during the notice period.

Similarly, pursuant to section 625(c)(2), Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1625(c)(2)), as amended by section 623 of Title VI, CBP is proposing to revoke any treatment previously accorded by CBP to substantially identical transactions. Any person involved in substantially identical transactions should advise CBP during this notice period. An importer's failure to advise CBP of substantially identical transactions or of a specific ruling not identified in this notice, may raise issues of reasonable care on the part of the importer or its

agents for importations of merchandise subsequent to the effective date of the final decision on this notice.

In HQ 085831, a rotary cutting blade was classified in subheading 8211.94.5000, HTSUS, which provides for “Knives with cutting blades, serrated or not (including pruning knives), other than knives of heading 8208, and blades and other base metal parts thereof: Other: Blades: Other.” Since the issuance of that ruling, CBP has reviewed the classification of the rotary cutting blade and has determined that the cited ruling is in error.

Pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1625(c)(1), CBP is proposing to revoke HQ 085831 and is proposing to revoke or modify any other ruling not specifically identified, to reflect the classification of the rotary cutting blade according to the analysis contained in proposed Headquarters Ruling Letter (HQ) H012692, set forth as Attachment B to this document. Additionally, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1625(c)(2), CBP is proposing to revoke any treatment previously accorded by CBP to substantially identical transactions. Before taking this action, we will give consideration to any written comments timely received.

**DATED:** April 11, 2008

Gail A. Hamill for MYLES B. HARMON,  
*Director,*  
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Attachments

[ATTACHMENT A]

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.  
U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION,  
HQ 085831  
NOV 13, 1989  
CLA-2:CO:R:C:G 085831 JAS  
CATEGORY: Classification  
TARIFF NO.: 8211.94.5000

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RE: Rotary Cutting Blade

DEAR MR. BIERNATH:

In your letter of August 28, 1989, on behalf of Salem Industries, Inc., you inquire as to the tariff classification of blades from Taiwan for rotary cutting knives. Descriptive literature was submitted.

FACTS:

The article in question is a circular steel cutting blade.

It is the rotary cutting portion of a hand-held device used in quilting and sewing applications to cut fabric. After importation, Salem will assemble the steel blade in a plastic housing with handle, and package it together with a plastic two-piece adjustable guide arm and steel wing nut in a cardboard backed blister pack.

Your broker tentatively advised you that the blades are classifiable under the provision for circular saw blades with working part of steel, in subheading 8202.31.0000, Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States Annotated (HTSUSA).

ISSUE:

Is the steel blade classifiable as a saw blade or under a provision(s) for knives with cutting blades?

LAW AND ANALYSIS:

In accordance with General Rule of Interpretation (GRI) 1, for legal purposes, classification shall be determined according to the terms of the headings and any relative section or chapter notes. GRI 3(a) states that when goods are, prima facie, classifiable under two or more headings, the heading which provides the most specific description shall be preferred to headings providing a more general description.

Heading 8208 provides for knives and cutting blades, for machines or for mechanical appliances, and base metal parts thereof, while heading 8211 provides for knives with cutting blades, serrated or not, other than knives of heading 8208, and blades and other base metal parts thereof. Hand-held cutting devices of the type in issue here are not machines or mechanical appliances of the type covered by heading 8208.

Under the authority of GRI 3(a), heading 8211 provides the most specific description for the cutting blades from among the headings under consideration.

HOLDING:

The circular cutting blades in question are provided for in heading 8211. They are classifiable under the provision for blades for knives having other than fixed blades, in subheading 8211.94.5000, HTSUSA, dutiable at the rate of 1 cent each plus 5.4 percent ad valorem.

JOHN DURANT,  
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## [ATTACHMENT B]

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.  
U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION,  
HQ H012692  
CLA-2 OT:RR:CTF:TCM H012692 KSH  
CATEGORY: Classification  
TARIFF NO.: 8205.51.30

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RE: Revocation of HQ 085831; Rotary Cutting Blade.

DEAR MR. BIERNATH:

This letter is to inform you that the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has reconsidered Headquarters Ruling Letter (HQ) 085831, issued to you on November 13, 1989, concerning the classification under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) of a rotary cutting blade. The cutting blade was classified under heading 8211, HTSUS, which provides for "Knives with cutting blades, serrated or not, other than knives of heading 8208, and blades and other base metal parts thereof." We have reviewed that ruling and found it to be in error. Therefore, this ruling revokes HQ 085831.

FACTS:

The product at issue is a circular steel cutting blade. It is a rotary cutting portion of a hand-held device used on quilting and sewing applications to cut fabric. After importation the steel blade will be assembled in a plastic housing with handle. It will be packaged together with a plastic two-piece adjustable guide arm and steel wing nut in a cardboard backed blister pack.

ISSUE:

Whether the rotary cutting blade is classified as an other hand tool of heading 8205, HTSUS, heading 8208 as a cutting blade for a machine or mechanical appliance or in heading 8211, HTSUS, as blade for knives.

LAW AND ANALYSIS:

Classification of goods under the HTSUSA is governed by the General Rules of Interpretation (GRI). GRI 1 provides that classification shall be determined according to the terms of the headings of the tariff schedule and any relative section or chapter notes. In the event that the goods cannot be classified solely on the basis of GRI 1, and if the headings and legal notes do not otherwise require, the remaining GRI may then be applied.

The Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System Explanatory Notes (EN), constitute the official interpretation of the Harmonized System at the international level. While neither legally binding nor dispositive, the EN provide a commentary on the scope of each heading of the HTSUS and are generally indicative of the proper interpretation of the headings. It is Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) practice to follow, whenever possible, the terms of the ENs when interpreting the HTSUS. See T.D. 89-80, 54 Fed. Reg. 35127, 35128 (August 23, 1989).

Heading 8205, HTSUS, provides for: "Handtools (including glass cutters) not elsewhere specified or included; blow torches and similar self-contained

torches; vises, clamps and the like, other than accessories for and parts of machine tools; anvils; portable forges; hand- or pedal-operated grinding wheels with frameworks; base metal parts thereof.”

EN 82.05, HTSUS, states as follows:

This heading covers all hand tools not included in other headings of this Chapter or elsewhere in the Nomenclature . . . , together with certain other tools or appliances specifically mentioned in the title.

It includes a large number of hand tools (including some with simple hand-operated mechanisms such as cranks, ratchets or gearing). This group of tools includes:

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(E) Other hand tools (including glaziers’ diamonds).

This group includes:

(1) A number of household articles, including some with cutting blades but **not including** mechanical types (see the Explanatory Note to **heading 82.10**), having the character of tools and accordingly not proper to heading 73.23, such as:

Flat irons (gas, paraffin (kerosene), charcoal, etc., types, but not electric irons which fall in **heading 85.16**), curling irons; bottle openers, cork screws, simple can openers (including keys); nut-crackers; cherry stoners (spring type); button hooks; shoe horns; “steels” and other knife sharpeners of metal; pastry cutters and jagers; graters for cheese, etc.; “lightning” mincers (with cutting wheels); cheese slicers, vegetable slicers; waffling irons; cream or egg whisks, egg slicers; butter curlers; ice picks; vegetable mashers; larding needles; pokers, tongs, rakers and cover lifts for stoves or fire places.

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(7) Miscellaneous hand tools such as farriers’ paring knives, toeing knives, hoof pickers and hoof cutters, cold chisels and punches; riveters’ drifts, snaps and punches; non-plier type nail lifters, case openers and pin punches; tyre levers; cobblers’ awls (without eyes); upholsterers’ or bookbinders’ punches; soldering irons and branding irons; metal scrapers; non-plier type saw sets; mitre boxes; cheese samplers and the like; earth rammers; grinding wheel dressers; strapping appliances for crates, etc., **other than** those of **heading 84.22** (see the relevant Explanatory Note); spring operated “pistols” for stapling packages, paper-board, etc.; cartridge operated riveting, wall-plugging, etc., tools; glass blowers’ pipes; mouth blow pipes; oil cans and oilers (including those with pump or screw mechanisms), grease guns.

Heading 8208, HTSUS, provides for “Knives and cutting blades, for machines or for mechanical appliances.” The EN to heading 8208, HTSUS, states in relevant part:

This heading applies to **unmounted** knives or cutting blades, rectangular, circular or of other shapes, for machines or for mechanical appliances. It **does not**, however, **cover** cutting blades or knives for the hand tools of **headings 82.01 to 82.05** (e.g., plane irons).

The instant rotary cutting blade is not for use with machines or mechanical appliances. As such, it cannot be classified in heading 8208, HTSUS.



Heading 8211, HTSUS, provides for “Knives with cutting blades, serrated or not (including paring knives), other than knives of heading 8208, and blades therefor.

The EN to heading 8211, HTSUS, states that:

This heading covers knives with cutting blades, serrated or not, with the exception of those included in heading 82.08, and of certain tools and tableware sometimes called “knives” but covered implicitly or explicitly by other headings of this Chapter (for example, hay knives of **heading 82.01**, and other articles listed in the exclusions at the end of this Explanatory Note).

The heading covers :

(1) **Non-folding table knives** . . .

(2) **Non-folding knives for kitchen, trade or other uses**, generally of a less decorative appearance than the preceding type. This category includes, inter alia :

Butchers’ knives; knives for bookbinders or papermakers; tanners’, furriers’, saddlers’ or cobblers’ knives, with or without handles; beekeepers’ uncapping knives; gardeners’ pruning knives, etc.; hunting knives, sheath knives; oyster knives; fruit peeling knives.

(3) **Folding knives** . . .

(4) **Knives with several interchangeable blades** . . .

The heading also covers blades for the manufacture of the knives listed above which may be in the form of crude or machined blanks, polished or completely finished blades. Handles of base metal for the knives of this heading are also included.

Explicit in the terms of the headings as well as the Explanatory Notes to heading 8211, HTSUS, is that blades of this heading are for the manufacture of knives included in the heading. The types of knives covered by heading 8211, HTSUS, are listed in the EN to the heading.

Neither the legal text nor the ENs to heading 8211, HTSUS, specifically mention rotary cutting blades of this kind. Classification is therefore dependent upon the canon of construction known as *eiusdem generis* which literally means “of the same class or kind.” *Eiusdem generis* teaches that “where particular words of description are followed by general terms, the latter will be regarded as referring to things of a like class with those particularly described.” *Nissho-Iwai American Corp. v. United States (Nissho)*, 10 CIT 154, 156 (1986). “As applicable to classification cases, *eiusdem generis* requires that the imported merchandise possess the essential characteristics or purposes that unite the articles enumerated *eo nomine* in order to be classified under the general terms.” *Id.* at 157.

The subject rotary cutting blades do not possess the same essential characteristics as the blades incorporated into the knives named in the legal text to heading 8211, HTSUS, and the exemplars in the EN to heading 8211, HTSUS. The types of knives listed in the EN to heading 8211, HTSUS, all feature a straight edge blade. None of the blades utilized in the aforementioned knives are rotary or circular. Heading 8205, HTSUS, captures all other handtools not otherwise specified or included and their parts. This is a blade used in a hand held device by home sewers and quilters. EN 8205 (E)

mentions small household handtools with rotary blades. We find that heading 8205, HTSUS, captures the instant merchandise.

**HOLDING:**

By application of GRI 1, the circular steel cutting blade is classified in heading 8205, HTSUS. It is provided for in subheading 8205.59.8000, HTSUS, which provides for: "Handtools (including glass cutters) not elsewhere specified or included; blow torches and similar self-contained torches; vises, clamps and the like, other than accessories for and parts of machine tools; anvils; portable forges; hand- or pedal-operated grinding wheels with frameworks; base metal parts thereof: Other handtools (including glass cutters) and parts thereof: Other: Other: Other." The column one, general rate of duty is 3.7% *ad valorem*. Duty rates are provided for your convenience and are subject to change. The text of the most recent HTSUSA and the accompanying duty rates are provided on the world wide web at [www.usitc.gov](http://www.usitc.gov).

**EFFECT ON OTHER RULINGS:**

HQ 085831, dated November 13, 1989, is REVOKED. In accordance with 19 U.S.C. §1625(c), this ruling will become effective sixty (60) days after publication in the Customs Bulletin.

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