

vessel's arrival and up to the time the vessel is cleared by CBP. Payments required for CBP clearance must be made before clearance is granted.

Only commercial vessel maritime taxes and fees are eligible for prepayment online through this pilot. The commercial vessel maritime taxes and fees eligible for potential prepayment online through this pilot are: Regular tonnage tax, special tonnage tax, light money, COBRA user fees, including the prepayment of the annual COBRA fee, AQI user fees, and navigation fees. CBP may expand the pilot to include additional taxes and fees. Any expansion of the fees that are eligible for online payment will be announced in the **Federal Register** and posted on the CBP Web site, <http://www.cbp.gov>.

#### Process at the Designated Ports of Entry

When a commercial vessel arrives at a designated port of entry, a CBP employee will access the MCR system to determine whether the applicable taxes and fees have been prepaid online for that vessel. If the applicable taxes and fees have not been prepaid online, the vessel agent or other party responsible for payment will have the option to pay all applicable taxes and fees either electronically through the MCR system or at the port of entry with cash or check. If payment is made by cash or check, the CBP officer accepting payment will access the MCR system to review any relevant arrival information, automatically calculate the applicable fees, prepare an electronic version of Form 368 and Form 1002, if applicable, and email an electronic copy of the forms to the vessel operator, owner, or agent. In all situations, CBP officers will have the ability to review, amend, or add data as needed to accurately calculate applicable taxes and fees prior to entering or clearing a vessel.

Throughout the pilot, commercial vessel agents and other entities responsible for payment will continue to be able to pay applicable maritime taxes and fees to an authorized CBP employee by cash or check. CBP will provide electronic versions of Forms 368 and 1002 as a receipt for all payments, regardless of whether payment was made in person by cash or check or paid online. The port office will provide paper copies of Forms 368 and 1002 upon request.

This pilot will not affect the amount of taxes and fees due or the requirement that all applicable fees must be paid prior to the issuance of a clearance certificate. Additionally, vessel operators will continue to be required to present paper copies of Forms 368 and

1002 as proof of payment at subsequent ports and entries.

#### *Designated Ports of Entry and Duration of the Pilot*

The pilot will initially operate at the following ports of entry: Los Angeles-Long Beach, California; New Orleans, Louisiana; Gulfport, Mississippi; and, Mobile, Alabama.

The pilot will begin no earlier than January 8, 2018 and will continue for 18 months. If it is determined that the pilot is working successfully at these initial ports, the pilot may be expanded to additional ports of entry, extended for an additional period of time, and/or expanded to include additional maritime fees, taking into consideration any comments that are received. Any expansion or extension of the pilot would be announced in the **Federal Register**.

#### Privacy

CBP will ensure that all Privacy Act requirements and applicable policies are adhered to during the implementation of this pilot.

#### Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507(d)) requires that CBP consider the impact of paperwork and other information collection burdens imposed on the public. An agency may not conduct, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid control number assigned by the Office of Management and Budget. There is no information collection associated with this pilot, so the provisions of the PRA do not apply.

#### Authorization for the Pilot

This pilot is being conducted in accordance with 19 CFR 101.9(a), which authorizes the Commissioner to impose requirements different from those specified in the CBP regulations for the purposes of conducting a test program or procedure designed to evaluate the effectiveness of new technology or operational procedures regarding the processing of passengers, vessels, or merchandise. For participants in this pilot, CBP will waive the requirements to pay tonnage tax, light money, COBRA user fees, AQI user fees, and navigation fees by cash or check at the time of arrival or when the applicable service is provided, if the participant has paid all applicable taxes and fees due online prior to the vessel's arrival or prior to the time the vessel is cleared by CBP. The pilot also permits CBP officers to process the payment of checks over

\$100 without obtaining authorization from the Customs officer in charge.

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**Sean Mildrew,**

*Acting Assistant Commissioner, Office of Finance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Customs and Border Protection

#### **Delay of Transition of the Generating, Transmitting and Updating of Daily and Monthly Statements from the Automated Commercial System to the Automated Commercial Environment**

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

**ACTION:** Delay of transition of statement processing.

**SUMMARY:** On November 8, 2017, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) published a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing plans to make the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) the sole electronic data interchange (EDI) system authorized by CBP for generating, transmitting, and updating daily and monthly statements for all entries except reconciliation (type 09) entries. The changes announced in that notice were to become operational on December 9, 2017. This notice announces that the date for the transition to ACE as the sole CBP-authorized EDI system for statement processing is delayed until January 6, 2018. ACE will not be the official system of records for statements until that time.

**DATES:** As of January 6, 2018, ACE will be the sole CBP-authorized EDI system for generating, transmitting, and updating daily and monthly statements, and the Automated Commercial System (ACS) will no longer be a CBP-authorized EDI system for such purpose.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For policy-related questions, contact Randy Mitchell, Commercial Operations, Revenue and Entry, Trade Policy and Programs, Office of Trade, via email at [otentrysummary@cbp.dhs.gov](mailto:otentrysummary@cbp.dhs.gov), or telephone at (202) 863-6532. For technical questions, contact Celestine Harrell, Revenue Modernization Branch, Trade Transformation Office, Office of Trade, via email at [Celestine.Harrell@cbp.dhs.gov](mailto:Celestine.Harrell@cbp.dhs.gov), or telephone at (202) 325-0101, with a subject line identifier reading "Statement Processing in ACE".

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 8, 2017, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) published a notice in the **Federal Register** (82 FR 51852) announcing plans to make the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) the sole electronic data interchange (EDI) system authorized by CBP for generating, transmitting, and updating daily and monthly statements for all entries except reconciliation (type 09) entries as of December 8, 2017. The document also announced that, beginning on December 8, 2017, the Automated Commercial System (ACS) would no longer be a CBP-authorized EDI system for such purposes.

This notice announces that beginning January 6, 2018, ACE will become the sole CBP-authorized EDI system for processing daily and monthly statements, and ACS will no longer be a CBP-authorized EDI system for such purpose.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Extension, With Changes, of an Existing Information Collection; Comment Request

**ACTION:** 60-Day notice of information collection for review; Form No. I-901; Fee Remittance for Certain F, J and M Non-immigrants; OMB Control No. 1653-0034.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (USICE), is submitting the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection is published in the **Federal Register** to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until February 6, 2018.

Written comments and suggestions regarding items contained in this notice and especially with regard to the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to the PRA Clearance Officer for USICE and sent via electronic mail to [icepra@ice.dhs.gov](mailto:icepra@ice.dhs.gov).

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

#### Overview of This Information Collection

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension, with changes, of a currently approved information collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* I-901, Fee Remittance for Certain F, J and M Nonimmigrants.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection:* Form I-901, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals or households. Public Law 104-208, Subtitle D, Section 641 directs the Attorney General, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Education, to develop and conduct a program to collect information on nonimmigrant foreign students and exchange visitors from approved institutions of higher education, as defined in section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended or in a program of study at any other DHS approved academic or language-training institution, to include approved private elementary and secondary schools and public secondary schools, and from approved exchange visitor program sponsors designated by the Department of State (DOS).

The rule, "Adjusting Program Fees and Establishing Procedures for Out-of-Cycle Review and Recertification of Schools Certified by the Student and

Exchange Visitor Program to Enroll F and/or M Nonimmigrant Students," (73 FR 55683; September 26, 2008), authorized a fee to be collected from the F and M nonimmigrants, not to exceed \$200, and a fee to be collected from the exchange visitors, not to exceed \$180, to support this information collection program. DHS has implemented the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) to carry out this statutory requirement.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 740,410 responses at 19 minutes (.32 hours) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 236,931 annual burden hours.

Dated: December 5, 2017.

**Scott Elmore,**

*PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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### 30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Requirements for Single Family Mortgage Instruments

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HUD submitted the proposed information collection requirement described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 30 days of public comment.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date: January 8, 2018.*

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax:202-395-5806, Email: [OIRA.Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA.Submission@omb.eop.gov)

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QMAC, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; email