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The Importer's Security Filing is scheduled to start on January 26, 2009. As we had previously advised you, the 10 data elements as outlined below are required to be filed by the importer or his authorized agent in the United States, who holds power of attorney, 24 hours prior to vessel loading.

1. Importer of Record
2. Ultimate Consignee
3. Seller's Name & Address
4. Buyer's Name & Address
5. Ship to Party
6. Manufacturer/Supplier's Name & Address
7. Country of Origin
8. HTS Number
9. Container Stuffing Location
10. Consolidator Name & Address

Customs & Border Protection has given the importing community one year in order to comply completely and accurately without any penalties being issued. The penalty for incomplete or non-filing is \$5,000.00 per occurrence. Customs & Border Protection is also providing flexibility on several of the above points by allowing us to have the ability to modify or correct the data. However, this must be done 24 hours prior to vessel arrival at the U.S. port.

The ISF filing must be done either in the Customs Automated Broker Interface Program (ABI) or the Automated Manifest System (AMS). Midwest Transatlantic Lines will be filing the ISF through our AMS system.

The other key point is that the importer or his authorized agent must possess a continuous Customs bond. This bond can be in the form of an importer's bond, FTZ bond or a special ISF bond which is new.

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United Shipping

International Freight Forwarders/OTI# 2365NF Customs House Brokers/CHB# 11313
IATA# 01-1-9939 Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier

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Midwest Transatlantic Lines is prepared to assist you with your ISF filings. However, in order to comply with the regulations we will require the following information a minimum of four work days prior to vessel loading.

- Copy of Commercial Invoice
- Copy of Ocean Bill of Lading or all relevant information that is contained on the Master Bill of Lading and/or House Bill of Lading.

These two items will provide us with the information necessary to complete the requirements of # 6, 7 and 8. However, if the invoice does not contain the correct information, we will need you to complete the attached form when submitting documents to us.

- The Ultimate Consignee's name, address and IRS#
- Ship to Party
- Container Stuffing Location
- Consolidators or Booking Agent's Name & Address

It is the responsibility of the importer of record to compile this information so that the ISF will be filed accurately and timely. If this information is not provided to us, your shipment will not load on the vessel.

If you wish to have Midwest Transatlantic Lines file the ISF on your behalf, we have attached a form for you to complete and return.

We have established an e-mail account for the documents to be sent to us – ISF@mtalines.com. We encourage you to have your suppliers begin forwarding this information to yourself and us, so that they are prepared once this begins in January.

For further information, you can view the entire rule on www.cbp.gov