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U.S. Census Bureau Implements New International Shipping Requirements Effective Sept. 30, 2008
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Brokers Worldwide would like to inform you of new international shipping requirements being imposed by the U.S. Census Bureau, effective September 30, 2008. These new electronic filing requirements only apply when the item being shipped is valued at more than \$2,500 or requires an export license under law. For all international shipments where a Shipper's Export Declaration (SED) was previously required, the Census Bureau now requires mandatory filing of export information through the Automated Export System (AES) or through AESDirect. AES is a computer system that collects Electronic Export Information (EEI). EEI is the electronic equivalent of the export data formerly collected as Shipper's Export Declaration (SED) information and now mandated to be filed through the AES or AESDirect.

In the event these new requirements apply to items being shipped by your organization, you may visit the following links online for more detailed information:

USPS News Release regarding these new international shipping requirements:
http://www.usps.com/communications/newsroom/2008/pr08_097.htm

U.S. Census Bureau information on the Automated Export System (AES):
<http://www.census.gov/foreign-trade/aes/>

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