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**PORT OF SAVANNAH PIPELINE #2014-11**

**TO:** Customs Brokers, Freight Forwarders, Importers, and Other Interested Parties  
Ports of Savannah and Brunswick, Georgia

**FROM:** Area Port Director  
Savannah, Georgia

**SUBJECT:** Savannah Service Port Realignment of Commodity Specialist Teams to  
Industries aligned to the Center of Excellence & Expertise – October 1, 2014

As background, part of U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s (CBP) Trade Transformation initiative has resulted in the creation of ten Centers of Excellence and Expertise (CEE aka “Centers”), which is transforming the way CBP approaches trade operations and works with the international trade community. The Centers represent CBP’s expanded focus on “Trade in the 21st Century” by aligning with modern business practices, focusing on industry-specific issues, and by providing tailored support to unique trading environments. The Centers were established to increase uniformity of practices across ports of entry, facilitate the timely resolution of trade compliance issues nationwide, and further strengthen critical agency knowledge on key industry practices.

CBP has established ten Centers of Excellence and Expertise:

Center	Coordinated out of:	Email Address	CEE Team Code
Agriculture & Prepared Products	Miami	<a href="mailto:CEE-Agriculture@cbp.dhs.gov">CEE-Agriculture@cbp.dhs.gov</a>	002
Apparel, Footwear & Textiles	San Francisco	<a href="mailto:CEE-Apparel@cbp.dhs.gov">CEE-Apparel@cbp.dhs.gov</a>	004
Automotive & Aerospace	Detroit	<a href="mailto:CEE-Automotive@cbp.dhs.gov">CEE-Automotive@cbp.dhs.gov</a>	003
Base Metals	Chicago	<a href="mailto:CEE-Basemetals@cbp.dhs.gov">CEE-Basemetals@cbp.dhs.gov</a>	005
Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising	Atlanta	<a href="mailto:CEE-Consumer@cbp.dhs.gov">CEE-Consumer@cbp.dhs.gov</a>	008
Electronics	Los Angeles	<a href="mailto:CEE-Electronics@cbp.dhs.gov">CEE-Electronics@cbp.dhs.gov</a>	007
Industrial Manufacturing Materials	Buffalo	<a href="mailto:CEE-Industrialmaterials@cbp.dhs.gov">CEE-Industrialmaterials@cbp.dhs.gov</a>	009
Machinery	Laredo	<a href="mailto:CEE-Machinery@cbp.dhs.gov">CEE-Machinery@cbp.dhs.gov</a>	010
Petroleum, Natural Gas & Minerals	Houston	<a href="mailto:CEE_Petroleum@cbp.dhs.gov">CEE_Petroleum@cbp.dhs.gov</a>	006
Pharmaceuticals, Health & Chemicals	New York	<a href="mailto:CEE-Pharamaceuticals@cbp.dhs.gov">CEE-Pharamaceuticals@cbp.dhs.gov</a>	001

For more information on the Centers of Excellence and Expertise, please consult <http://www.cbp.gov/trade/centers-excellence-and-expertise-information>.

With the establishment of the CEEs, ports of entry are realigning their Commodity Specialist Teams (CST) by industry sector. Currently in Savannah, there are three CSTs (430, 432, 433), which will be incorporated into ten CEEs based on Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS). The HTS breakdown by CST is attached as well as a breakdown in HTS order.

The HTS assignment changes to the three teams will be effective October 1, 2014. The transition for the trade is expected to be seamless since all ACS and ACE programming will be accomplished prior to October 1, 2014. Thus, when filers transmit entry information via ABI or ACE, the team number will automatically be assigned to the entry/entry summary. This change will not impact the Entry branch team number (439).

The 100% realignment of import specialists to the CEEs is a complete paradigm shift, and the concept is innovative, however, if problems arise, we ask the trade to contact the CST's supervisor as noted in the attached.

I appreciate your patience and understanding as we continue to refine our business practices.



Lisa Beth M. Brown

Attachment: Harmonized Tariff Schedule breakdown by Team with contact information  
All HTS Listing

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Savannah Team	HTS 4	through	HTS 4	CEE Team
430	2501	through	2530	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	2801	through	3817	Pharmaceutical, Health & Chemicals
430	3819	through	3825	Pharmaceutical, Health & Chemicals
430	3901	through	3923	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	3924	through	3924	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	3925	through	3925	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	3926	through	3926	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4001	through	4010	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4014	through	4014	Pharmaceutical, Health & Chemicals
430	4016	through	4115	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4201	through	4202	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4205	through	4206	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4301	through	4302	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4401	through	4413	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4414	through	4414	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4415	through	4418	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4419	through	4421	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4501	through	4601	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4602	through	4602	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4701	through	4802	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4803	through	4803	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4804	through	4816	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4817	through	4818	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4819	through	4819	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4820	through	4820	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4821	through	4823	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4901	through	4911	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	6601	through	6704	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	6801	through	6910	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	6911	through	6913	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	6914	through	7112	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	7113	through	7118	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising

430	7309	through	7311	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	7319	through	7319	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	7321	through	7321	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	7323	through	7323	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	7418	through	7418	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	7615	through	7615	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	8210	through	8215	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	8301	through	8301	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	8303	through	8306	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	8469	through	8470	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	8508	through	8510	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	8513	through	8513	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	8516	through	8516	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	8539	through	8539	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	8712	through	8712	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	8715	through	8715	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	9001	through	9006	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	9013	through	9013	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	9018	through	9019	Pharmaceutical, Health & Chemicals
430	9021	through	9022	Pharmaceutical, Health & Chemicals
430	9101	through	9209	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	9401	through	9401	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	9402	through	9402	Pharmaceutical, Health & Chemicals
430	9403	through	9405	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	9406	through	9406	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	9503	through	9706	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising

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Savannah Team	HTS 4	through	HTS 4	CEE Team
432	2601	through	2716	Petroleum, Natural Gas & Minerals
432	3818	through	3818	Electronics
432	3826	through	3826	Petroleum, Natural Gas & Minerals
432	7201	through	7308	Base Metals
432	7312	through	7318	Base Metals
432	7320	through	7320	Base Metals
432	7322	through	7322	Base Metals
432	7324	through	7416	Base Metals
432	7419	through	7614	Base Metals
432	7616	through	8113	Base Metals
432	8201	through	8209	Machinery
432	8302	through	8302	Machinery
432	8307	through	8311	Base Metals
432	8401	through	8405	Machinery
432	8413	through	8468	Machinery
432	8471	through	8471	Electronics
432	8472	through	8472	Machinery
432	8473	through	8473	Electronics
432	8474	through	8487	Machinery
432	8501	through	8504	Electronics
432	8505	through	8507	Machinery
432	8514	through	8515	Machinery
432	8517	through	8538	Electronics
432	8540	through	8548	Electronics
432	9007	through	9008	Machinery
432	9010	through	9012	Machinery
432	9014	through	9017	Machinery
432	9020	through	9020	Machinery
432	9023	through	9033	Machinery
432	9301	through	9307	Machinery

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Savannah Team	HTS 4	through	HTS 4	CEE Team
433	0101	through	2403	Agriculture & Prepared Products
433	4011	through	4013	Automotive & Aerospace
433	4015	through	4015	Apparel, Textiles & Footwear
433	4203	through	4203	Apparel, Textiles & Footwear
433	4303	through	4304	Apparel, Textiles & Footwear
433	5001	through	6507	Apparel, Textiles & Footwear
433	8406	through	8412	Automotive & Aerospace
433	8511	through	8512	Automotive & Aerospace
433	8601	through	8711	Automotive & Aerospace
433	8713	through	8714	Automotive & Aerospace
433	8716	through	8716	Automotive & Aerospace
433	8801	through	8908	Automotive & Aerospace

**Area Port of Savannah Commodity Specialist Team by Harmonized Tariff:**

Savannah Team	HTS 4	through	HTS 4	CEE Team
433	0101	through	2403	Agriculture & Prepared Products
430	2501	through	2530	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
432	2601	through	2716	Petroleum, Natural Gas & Minerals
430	2801	through	3817	Pharmaceutical, Health & Chemicals
432	3818	through	3818	Electronics
430	3819	through	3825	Pharmaceutical, Health & Chemicals
432	3826	through	3826	Petroleum, Natural Gas & Minerals
430	3901	through	3923	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	3924	through	3924	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	3925	through	3925	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	3926	through	3926	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4001	through	4010	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
433	4011	through	4013	Automotive & Aerospace
430	4014	through	4014	Pharmaceutical, Health & Chemicals
433	4015	through	4015	Apparel, Textiles & Footwear
430	4016	through	4115	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4201	through	4202	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
433	4203	through	4203	Apparel, Textiles & Footwear
430	4205	through	4206	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4301	through	4302	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
433	4303	through	4304	Apparel, Textiles & Footwear
430	4401	through	4413	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
430	4414	through	4414	Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising
430	4415	through	4418	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
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433	5001	through	6507	Apparel, Textiles & Footwear
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430	6801	through	6910	Industrial & Manufacturing Materials
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430	9018	through	9019	Pharmaceutical, Health & Chemicals
432	9020	through	9020	Machinery
430	9021	through	9022	Pharmaceutical, Health & Chemicals
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