International Trade Data System
(Automated Commercial Environment)

Fruit and Vegetable Industry Advisory Committee

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ITDS/ACE

Purpose: Help U.S. businesses compete globally

Action: Replace paper filings to multiple government agencies with web-based “single window”

Origin: Late 1990’s; Feb. 2014 Executive Order

Milestones:
- MAY 1, 2015: Mandatory use of ACE for all electronic manifest filing
- NOV 1, 2015: Mandatory use of ACE for all electronic cargo release and related entry summary filing
- OCT 1, 2016: Mandatory use of ACE for all remaining electronic portions of the CBP cargo process
Partnerships

ITDS Board of Directors

• Overseeing ITDS development

Border Interagency Executive Council

• Facilitating coordination among agencies

Departments of:
• Agriculture
• Commerce
• Defense
• Energy
• Justice
• Labor
• Homeland Security
• Interior
• Transportation
• HHS
• Treasury
• State
• Independent Agencies
USDA Participants

• Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)
• Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)
• Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS)
• Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS)
Automated Commercial Environment

- Customs Modernization Act of 1993
- Single, centralized access point for government and trade community
- www.cbp.gov/trade/basic-import-export

**Advantages:**
- 48 agencies involved
- Easier industry compliance
- Real-time government decision-making
- Reduced costs
- Reduced paper
AMS Compliance and Enforcement Management System

Ready for May 2015 ITDS pilot (imports only)
AMS Participants

• Specialty Crops Inspection Division
• Market News Division
• Marketing Order and Agreement Division
• Shell Eggs Quality Assessment Division
• Promotion and Economics Division
• Other AMS R&P Programs
More Information

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