Los Angeles/Long Beach/Port Hueneme
APP Center Overview
LA/LB Area of Responsibility

Port of Los Angeles

Port of Long Beach

Port Hueneme, Oxnard CA
LA/LB Seaport Centralized Examination Stations

- Price Wilmington – A-TCET
- FCL – Trade/Ag
- Cal Cartage – Trade/Ag
- Price Dominguez – Trade/Ag
LA/LB/PH Area Port Scope of Operations FY 2017

• Over 13M maritime containers arrived in the U.S.
  • Over 4.6M containers arrived at LA/LB
  • 35.4% of the national total

• Over $42.8 Billion in duties, taxes and fees in the U.S.
  • Over $10.5 Billion collected by LA/LB

• Vessel Arrivals: 3,334

• Over 1.2M passengers and crew
Centers of Excellence and Expertise
What are Centers of Excellence and Expertise?

- **Industry-focused** and **account-based** points of virtual processing for post-release trade activities
- Aligned by 10 key industry sectors in strategic locations
- Consolidate existing expertise and build industry-specific education to authoritatively facilitate trade
- Provide national overview of accounts (importers) to identify areas for further facilitation or corrective action
- Serve as a resource to the broader trade community and to CBP’s U.S. government partners

Centers will be integrated into every facet of the trade process; from pre-arrival to final liquidation
Why Centers?

**Objective:**
- Focus on industry-specific issues
- Facilitation
- Reduce transaction costs
- Increase compliance
- Increase uniformity of treatment

**Past processing:**
- Company imports into 60 ports of entry
- 60 ports conduct entry summary reviews

**Centers**
- Company imports into 60 ports of entry
- Single Center conducts entry summary reviews
## What are the benefits?

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| Eliminates unnecessary duplicative work from compliant imports        | • Fewer cargo delays  
• Reduced costs  
• Greater predictability                                               |
| Ports of Entry focus shifts to high-risk shipments                    | • More complex enforcement work  
• Improved enforcement results:  
  o Increased import safety  
  o Increased revenue protection  
  o Reduced economic loss to IPR theft                                  |
| Centralized office for trade inquiries                                | • Improved relationship with CBP as small/medium-sized importers have a streamlined inquiry process for resolving concerns  
• Increased uniformity and transparency for the trade                    |
| Cross-functional expertise                                            | • Environment for in-depth learning to increase CBP expertise and therefore enforcement |
Center Organizational Structure

- **Center Director**
  - Authority for nationwide trade processing
  - Equal to a Port Director and reports to the Director, Field Operations

- **Assistant Center Director**
  - Manages a division within a Center
  - Equal to an Assistant Port Director
Center Divisions

- **Partnership Division**
  - Contains multidisciplinary teams that process the trusted trader accounts and engage in cross-education efforts with the industry community.

- **Validation and Compliance Division**
  - Includes multiple Import Specialist teams and separate entry teams that process importers within the industry and applying risk segmentation schemes.

- **Enforcement Division**
  - Multidisciplinary teams that handle enforcement issues for the industry and develop strategic operations (i.e. trademark, patent, health and safety, ADCVD)
Trade Processes

Ports
- Cargo Release
- Manifest Processing
- Cargo Holds and Examinations
- Cargo Movement (permit to transfer, inbond)
- Export Compliance
- Seizures and Penalties
- Agriculture Exams
- Bonded Movements, Bonded Warehouses, and Foreign Trade Zones
- Narcotics, Anti-Terrorism and Security Risks
- Importer Security Filing Review

Centers
- Trade Admissibility Advice
- Entry Summary Reviews
- Free Trade Agreement Eligibility Review
- ADCVD
- Protests and Petitions
- Appraisals
- Post Summary Correction and Post Entry Adjustment
- CEAR Process
- Prior Disclosure Review
- Reconciliation
- Internal Advice
- Quota Processing
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