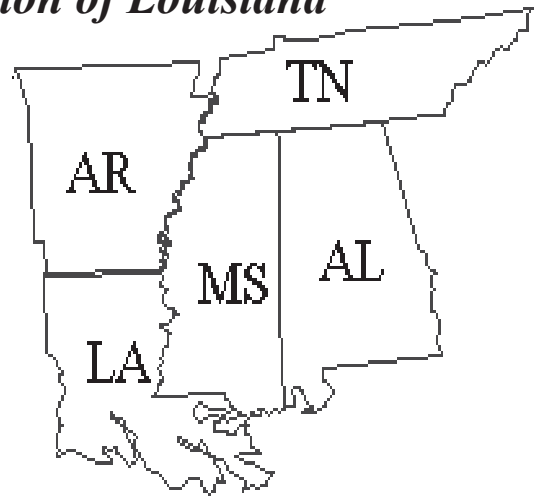


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Notice to the Area Port of New Orleans Trade Community

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SUBJECT: Customhouse Building & Parking Placard ID Cards

Customs and Border Protection (CBP) in New Orleans is streamlining building admission procedures for members of the trade community who need recurring access to the U.S. Customhouse for official business. ID cards and company specific parking placards will be issued to approved recipients and will allow the bearer to enter the public areas of the U.S. Customhouse without having to surrender a permanent form of identification to building security.

Intended recipients of building identification cards are brokerage and vessel agent employees, couriers and other members of the trade community with a need to conduct business at the U.S. Customhouse on a recurring basis. Specific companies may also request a dedicated vehicle-parking placards. This placard will be maintained by building security and issued through procedures currently in place.

Applicants seeking a building ID or dedicated parking placard should complete the forms attached to this notice and return them to Mission Support Specialists Edward Andries for processing at the following e-mail address edward.andries@dhs.gov. Building ID cards are issued by a GSA contractor located in the Hale Boggs Federal Building. CBP will notify approved applicants of the date, time and specific location to report in order to receive their identification cards. Company specific parking placards will be maintained by building security and issued on an as needed basis.

This will enhance CBP's ability to provide efficient and timely service to the public, and is another example of CBP's commitment to provide quality service to the public in a safe environment while still accomplishing our core mission – keeping our borders and instruments of trade safe. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Edward Andries, Mission Support Specialist, at 504-670-2023.

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