

# Southern Currents



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## Notice to the Area Port of New Orleans Trade Community

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### **SUBJECT: Haitian Humanitarian Relief Efforts**

U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Census Bureau are coordinating efforts regarding the submission of Electronic Export Information (EEI) via the Automated Export System.

The Census Bureau will continue to require submission of the EEI for all export shipments going to Haiti, including relief supplies. Shipments valued under \$2500 may cite the EEI exception 15 CFR 30.37(a) or 30.37(a). The exporter for shipments that qualify for a different EEI exception should cite those exceptions on the shipping documents provided to the carrier. The exports of goods valued over \$2500 should provide the Internal Transaction Number (e.g., X20100121000025) to the carrier. Goods requiring a license for export require the submission of the EEI regardless of value.

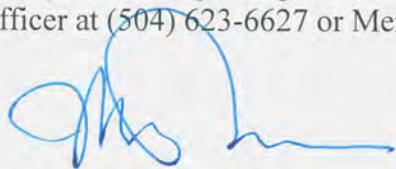
The Census Bureau has the Census Bureau Foreign Trade Division Call Center that will provide assistance to all exporters seeking to ship relief supplies to Haiti. The Call Center phone number is 1-800-549-0595. The Call Center will provide assistance with registering with Census and filing the EEI for shipments of relief supplies going to Haiti. The Center's operating hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 7 AM to 7:30 PM (EST) and Thursday and Friday from 7 AM to 5:30 PM (EST). Some additional information may be found on the Census Bureau's web site at [www.census.gov/foreign-trade/index.html](http://www.census.gov/foreign-trade/index.html).

The following Schedule B or Harmonized Tariff Schedule Numbers should be utilized when filing the EEI for relief supplies going to Haiti.

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| 9802.100000 | Donated Food Products                         |
| 9802.200000 | Donated Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products |
| 9802.300000 | Donated Wearing Apparel                       |
| 9802.400000 | All other donated materials                   |

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