

Southern Currents



Notice to the Area Port of New Orleans Trade Community

Date: January 28, 2011

No.: 11-003

SUBJECT: Broker Management Office Institution in Memphis, TN

To better enable the Memphis Area Port Director in performing the responsibilities for broker oversight and compliance in the Memphis area of responsibility, a plan will be implemented to sustain the entire broker licensing and permitting process in the Area Port of Memphis. This will provide localized customer service to the Mid South and New Orleans importing communities while reducing administrative redundancy. This change will have no impact on the statutory regulations nor will it require a change in current district boundaries nor will current permits and licenses be affected. No action for current brokers or firms is required at this time.

Customs and Border Protection (CBP) permitting and licensing processes for individual licensed brokers residing in the states of Arkansas and Tennessee will be handled by the Area Port of Memphis. Partnerships, associations and corporations permitted in the states of Arkansas and Tennessee will also be handled by the Area Port of Memphis.

The Memphis Broker Management Officer will be Supervisory Entry Specialist Janice Weems. License and/or permit fees will be sent to BMO/SES Weems at:

Attn: Broker Management Officer
CBP Area Port of Memphis, TN
3150 Tchulahoma Road
Suite 1
Memphis, TN 38118
(901) 544-0291

Supervisory Entry Officer Patricia Burke will remain the New Orleans Broker Management Officer for individual licensed brokers and permitted corporations for the geographically areas of Louisiana and the portion of the state of Mississippi covered by the New Orleans Customs Broker District boundaries.

License and/or permit fees will be sent to BMO/SEO Patricia Burke at:

Attn: Broker Management Officer
CBP Area Port of New Orleans, LA
1515 Poydras Street
Suite 1700
New Orleans, LA 70112
(504) 670-2391

Full implementation will begin on February 01, 2011. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact your respective broker management officer.

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