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TO: BROKERS, IMPORTERS CARRIERS, AND OTHER INTERESTED
PARTIES

SUBJECT: Proper Importation of Generators

Over the past few years, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) seized numerous shipments of generators for violation of the Clean Air Act (CAA) of 1990. The CAA prohibits the importation of all types of non-road equipment with internal combustion engines unless certified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as meeting emission standards and displaying the appropriate emissions labels or are properly exempted. Due to the increase of seizures, CBP would like to remind the trade community to practice due diligence when importing this merchandise into the United States. This applies to following CBP's regulations as well as other agencies.

When importing generators, Importers and Brokers should either contact the EPA's Imports and Certification Hotline at (734) 214-4100, or thoroughly review the information provided by the EPA on the following websites:

www.epa.gov/compliance/resources/newsletters/civil/enfalert/nonroadengines-0609.pdf

www.epa.gov/otaq/imports/forms/3520-21.pdf

www.epa.gov/otaq/certdata.htm

Should you have any questions about this Information Bulletin, please contact Michael Wright, Assistant Director, Trade Operations, at (305) 810-5125 or Dina Amato, Program Manager, at (305) 810-5121.

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