



U. S. Department of Justice
Drug Enforcement Administration

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Washington, D.C. 20537

Dear Colleague:

This is to inform you that on Monday, April 9, 2007, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will publish in the Federal Register an Interim Rule with Request for Comment entitled "Implementation of the Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act of 2005; Notice of Transfers Following Importation or Exportation". Written comments must be postmarked, and electronic comments must be sent, on or before Wednesday, May 9, 2007.

This rule implements § 716 of the Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act of 2005 (Title VII of Pub. L. 109-177). Section 716 requires United States importers, exporters, brokers, and traders of List I and List II chemicals to provide the DEA with certain information regarding the person to whom the chemicals are to be transferred prior to the transaction taking place. This rule also requires importers, exporters, brokers, and traders to provide to DEA a return declaration after the transaction is completed, indicating the actual quantity of the chemical shipped, as well as other information.

Implementation of this Rule

Effective May 9, 2007, all United States importers and exporters of List I and List II chemicals must use the revised DEA Form 486 to notify DEA of their imports and exports. This revised form will be available on the Diversion Control Program web site, <http://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov>.

Effective May 9, 2007, all persons previously granted regular importer status will no longer hold that status. Every import of a List I and List II chemical must be reported to DEA not later than 15 days prior to the proposed importation. This report must include the name of the person to whom the chemical is proposed to be transferred and the amount of the chemical proposed to be transferred. DEA will evaluate each proposed importation based not only on the chemical to be imported but on the transferee information supplied by the importer as well. This process will allow for the establishment of regular customer status by transferees of United States importers, and for establishment of regular importer status by importers importing a specific listed chemical intended for sale to a specific customer.

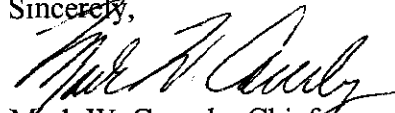
Effective May 9, 2007, all persons importing and exporting List I and List II chemicals must provide the return declarations to DEA.

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Following publication, this rule will appear on the DEA's Diversion Control Program web site, www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark W. Caverly". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "M".

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