**Procedure: Northern Border Customs Clearance**

**Please follow the procedure outlined below for customs clearance of truck shipments entering the US from Canada at all ports along the Northern Border.**

1. **At least 24 hours before carrier pick up the supplier will send a copy of the invoice to Expeditors for review. Invoice can be e-mailed to:** [**jeffrey.satterlee@expeditors.com**](mailto:jeffrey.satterlee@expeditors.com)
2. **At time of freight pick up, supplier will provide a commercial invoice to the carrier.** The carrier will apply their pre-arrival processing number (PAPS) to the invoice and send i**nvoice, New Arrival Notification Cover Sheet, and supporting paperwork to:** [**arrivalnotification@expeditors.com**](mailto:arrivalnotification@expeditors.com)

All documents must be sent in a single attachment and sent at least 2 hours before arrival at the border for regular entries and 4 hours prior to arrival for entries related to the FDA (nutrition, cosmetics, etc.).

**Please note for border crossings that occur after hours: Monday – Friday 12am-8am; Saturdays and Sundays, a supervisor is not on staff and there could be a delay in clearance activities. In these cases, please send paperwork ahead of time (during business hours on Friday). In cases where escalation is needed after hours, contact:**

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PAPS Background / Information

The PAPS sticker/cargo control number is a requirement to cross into the U.S. All carriers regardless of commodity are required to be set up for ACE. The carrier is responsible for filing the ACE Manifest and ensuring there is an entry match prior to crossing the border.

PAPS requests for Northern Border customs clearances must be sent to fax number 1-734-857-5153

Drivers can check the status of their PAPS at the following website by entering their PAPS#:[**https://expo.expeditors.com/expotr/guest/USNorthernBorder.jsp**](https://expo.expeditors.com/expotr/guest/USNorthernBorder.jsp)

1. Expeditors receives and reviews documents. If everything is in order the data will be transmitted to CBP. Entries must be filed prior to the trucker arriving at the border.
2. Upon arrival at the border, Customs will perform selectivity on the entry.

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