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AQIS Service Fee Indicator on the ICS EFT Payment Report

Customs and Border Protection is enhancing the existing Integrated Cargo System (ICS) EFT Payment Report to identify payments made for AQIS service fees. As a result of industry consultation, through the Customs Brokers and Forwarders Council of Australia Inc (CBFCA), it has been identified that this enhancement will deliver a high degree of transparency regarding AQIS service fee payments. This in turn will reduce the time required to reconcile import declaration payments.

From Wednesday 1 April 2009, the ICS EFT Payment Report will include an AQIS Service Payment column. The payment indicator will show 'Y' only where an AQIS payment has been made. Where the payment does not relate to AQIS service fields the field will not be populated. All reports generated from 1 April will display the column.

The EFT Payment Report is available for a period of 180 days. If a report is requested for a date range prior to 1 April the column will still be displayed and populated where the payment was for AQIS service fees. Reports for payment transactions older than 180 days cannot be obtained through the Integrated Cargo System.

An example of the EFT Payment Report, for both the pdf and spreadsheet versions, is at attachment A.

If you have any further questions regarding this advice please contact the CI&SC on 1300 558 099 or email cargosupport@customs.gov.au

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