

# Port of Chicago – Pipeline

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**U.S. Customs and  
Border Protection**

**Pipeline 14-03  
March 13, 2014**

**TO: Customhouse Brokers, Importers, and Others Concerned**

**SUBJECT: Notice of Applications Received for the Area Port of Chicago, Illinois  
Centralized Examination Stations and Invitation for Public  
Comments.**

## **1. Purpose**

This Pipeline is issued to advise the importing community of applications received for operation of a Centralized Examination Station (CES) in the Area Port of Chicago, Illinois and to invite public comments thereon in accordance with 19 CFR 118.12.

## **2. Scope**

The solicitation for applicants within the Area Port of Chicago, Illinois to operate a CES was announced in the Port of Chicago Pipeline 14-01 dated January 08, 2014. As stated in Pipeline 14-01, the Area Port Director has determined that one CES facility will be selected. Three applications to operate a CES were received within the 60-day application period.

## **3. Background**

On January 22, 1993, the Federal Register published a final rule amending Chapter I of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) enacting 19 CFR 118, Centralized Examination Stations, effective February 22, 1993. This change was a result of U.S. Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) efforts to improve productivity and service by focusing resources and minimizing travel time required to perform cargo examinations at multiple facilities within a port of entry.

A CES is a privately-operated facility where imported or export cargo, designated by CBP for physical examination, is made available for inspection. The importer, carrier, exporter, or its agent is responsible for choosing which CES is to be utilized for examination, arranging the bonded transfer of the merchandise to the CES, and paying the costs of the transfer, as well as any fees charged by the CES facility for its service.

#### 4. Action

Applications were received to operate a CES in the Area Port of Chicago, Illinois from:

Channel Distribution Corporation  
950 Supreme Drive  
Bensenville, IL 60106

Global CFS, Inc.  
860 Foster Avenue  
Bensenville, Illinois 60106

ST. George Warehouse of IL, INC  
888 Central Avenue  
Wood Dale, IL 60191

Detailed information from the applications, including fee schedule, equipment, and number of employees is available upon request by contacting Issac Thomas, Chief CBP Officer, at 847-928-3009.

The public is invited to submit written comments to the Area Port of Chicago, Illinois concerning these applications. Material received from the public during the comment period may be used in evaluating and selecting a CES. Written comments must be received within 30 calendar days from the date of this Pipeline and should be addressed to:

U.S. Customs and Border Protection  
Attn: Matthew S. Davies, Area Port Director  
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Should you have any questions concerning this pipeline, please contact Issac Thomas, Chief CBP Officer, at 847-928-3009.



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