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Comment : Dear Sirs,

Many of our exports originate at plants within close proximity to their ports of export. Our ERP/SAP system does not generate an invoice at the same instant that an order is placed. Since we are unsure of what is shipping, we frequently do not have definitive information (i.e., pieces, weight) until a shipment's truck bill of lading is received. If we file an SED in advance, estimating this information, then correct it at a later date, after the correct information is obtained, the filing is considered late.

We are in favor of the continuance of option four filing, not only out of convenience, but also out of necessity. We ask you to please consider revising the rules to include option four filing or that allows for post entry filings of accurate information without risk of penalty.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.
Best regards,

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