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Subject Shipper Export Declaration Information

Dear Mr. Monk,

We are a textile company engaged in the manufacturing and sales of apparel fabrics. Much, in fact most, of our product leaves the country, so we are involved with international shippers. Recently, we have been contacted by a couple of forwarding agents who say that, because of changes in requirements by The U.S. Census Bureau, we must execute a Power of Attorney agreement authorizing them to act on our behalf. I researched this subject, and found the Federal Register Notice dated February 17, 2005, addressing the notice of proposed rulemaking regarding AES filing of SED's. Since this notice regards a proposed ruling, I assume that the rule requirement is not yet in effect. Let me get to the point and ask a question. Is the requirement for a USPPI (I believe that would be my company) to execute a power of attorney agreement with an authorized agent a current requirement, or this a part of the proposed change? Thank you and I look forward to your response.

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