

Data Systems & Information Development Committee
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1. Urge CCC/USDA to allow EWR, Inc to report pending shipping orders by week, by warehouse code, including the number of days out for new shipment scheduling
2. Urge shippers to use EWR Batch 23 for Shipment Scheduling. Recommend this committee to meet with EWR to determine actual usage metrics.
3. Urge CCC/USDA and other licensing authorities to require warehouses to obtain a unique Warehouse Code for any storage shed or building that is a separate physical location from the primary licensed facility's complex. Urge ACSA members to begin billing expenses incurred back to the warehouse due to having cotton stored in multiple physical locations under one USDA License.
4. Urge EWR Inc. to require that the locator ID be populated by the warehouses on the electronic warehouse receipt when created and encourage that the locator ID be re-populated when the bale location changes.
5. Recommend EWR Inc. and other 3rd party warehouse system providers enhance existing warehouse programs to support electronic phytosanitary application processing for 2018-2019 crop year.
6. Urge APHIS to develop and support an electronic interface in addition to the manual process for phyto-sanitary applications through the Phyto-sanitary Certificate Issuance and Tracking System (PCIT). Committee recommends a conference call with this committee and APHIS representative to discuss. Further, encourage ACSA, APHIS, and appropriate USDA officials to initiate full implementation of electronic phyto-sanitary certificate.
7. Recommend establishing guidelines and standards, in conjunction with ACSA Transportation Committee, for enhanced electronic communications with steamship lines to improve shipment visibility from booking request to final cargo delivery. Once a rough draft is prepared, request ACSA to organize a meeting with the steamship lines and relevant ACSA members to determine feasibility.
8. Recommend all members become aware of emerging technologies and ACSA form a working group to work with Cotton Technology Alliance to develop an industry repository of standards for interoperability between all parties within the cotton supply chain.

Respectfully submitted,

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