**Data Systems & Information Development Committee**
**Adopted at the ACSA 95<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention**
**May 10, 2019 – Ritz Carlton, Dana Point, CA**

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 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.

3. Urge Shipping Warehouse to use EWR batch type 07 for reporting accurate "Shipment Date". (Note: there is currently development outstanding with EWR, Inc. for the warehouse software to capture Shipment Date without inclusion of container/seal data.)

4. Recommend 3<sup>rd</sup> party warehouse system providers enhance existing warehouse programs to support electronic phytosanitary application processing as soon as feasible. Urge all shippers and all warehouses to enroll in the EWR electronic phytosanitary process.

5. Urge ACSA working group to continue communication with 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). Further, encourage ACSA, APHIS, and appropriate USDA officials to work with the United Nations ePhyto Industry Advisory Group to assist in initiating full implementation of electronic phyto-sanitary certificates both domestically and in consuming countries.

6. Form a working group to 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 and to improve turn time and accuracy on documentation. Once a rough draft is prepared, request ACSA to organize a meeting with the steamship lines and relevant ACSA members to determine feasibility.

7. Recommend all members become aware of emerging technologies and ACSA form a working group to align with Cotton Technology Alliance to develop an industry repository of standards for interoperability between all parties within the cotton supply chain.

| Respectfully submitted by: | Guests: |
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