



## **Corrections to PAPS Invoices**

Recently, Customs Border & Protection (CBP) issued a memorandum to clarify procedures for presentation of documents and processing of PAPS shipments.

The point of CBP's memo was that invoices are required at the time of entry, and an invoice faxed to the customs broker is acceptable for the entry purposes. As such, CBP has advised carriers and customs brokers that they will no longer be collecting documents from carriers unless they contain original licenses or permits required by other government agencies, such as the Food & Drug Administration (FDA), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), the Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS), etc.

A consequence of CBP's new policy is that the customs broker will not necessarily get a corrected invoice given to a carrier if the original documents have already been faxed to PBB for PAPS release. When there is a change to the invoice after the carrier has picked up the goods, please be sure to contact PBB directly as soon as possible and advise us of the corrections. This will allow us to reflect the correct shipping data and avoid CBP compliance issues for the importer of record.

CBP's memo can be viewed at:

[http://www.cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/import/communications\\_to\\_industry/advance\\_info/paps\\_memo.ctt/paps\\_memo.doc](http://www.cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/import/communications_to_industry/advance_info/paps_memo.ctt/paps_memo.doc)