1. Drawback will not be in CEEs, until Drawback Simplification passes. Once drawback is based on HTS and value, there won’t be much of a reason to have drawback centers any more. So, instead of four centers for drawback, will file claims in the 13 CEEs.

2. Customs Reauthorization may be introduced in Senate in Spring 2014. But don’t hold your breath.

3. TSN has decided to look at making drawback a regular entry (transmit ADEPS information) plus use the PGA message sets to transmit our spreadsheets and DIS to send copies of actual import and export documents. I think we suggested something like this 10 to15 years ago, looks like they finally listened. Now, if we could just get Drawback Web Portal….

4. A redacted version of the Drawback Manual will not be published anytime soon. However, CBP will update the drawback webpage on their website with more current information. We had been promised a copy of the Manual for years, frustrating! The updates to the CBP website are underwhelming.

5. eBond is programming for single transaction 1a bonds. Haven’t heard if anyone in that group has asked how 1a’s work.

6. Sometime within the next year there will be an update to 191.72(a) – proof of export. Will remove “certified” and “by the export carrier.” However, this change does not appear to help exports to Canada or Mexico. Currently CBP is discussing internally.

7. Refund checks are now printing on Thursdays instead of Tuesdays.