## Supporting Statement Declaration by the Person Who Performed the Processing of Goods Abroad 1651-0039

## A. Justification

- 1. Pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1500, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is charged with the appraisement of merchandise and the ascertainment of its classification and rate of duty. The corresponding CBP Regulation requiring the foreign processor's declaration in connection with entry of merchandise under subheading 9802.00.60, Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States (HTSUS) is 19 CFR 10.8. In order for CBP to assess the correct amount of duties, 19 CFR 10.8 requires that this declaration be completed by the person who processed the goods.
- This declaration, prepared by the foreign processor, submitted by the filer with each entry, provides details on the processing performed abroad and is necessary to assist CBP in determining whether the declared value of the processing is accurate. The previous declarations by the foreign processor enable CBP to collect the proper amount of duty.
- **3.** It is planned that electronic submission of this collection will be available by 2011 in the Automated Commercial Environment System (ACE) that CBP is developing.
- **4.** Since the information for each declaration is unique, this information is not duplicated elsewhere.
- 5. This collection of information does not impose a significant burden on small businesses.
- Failure to collect this information would cause CBP to lose control over the merchandise and may cause the incorrect payment of duties on processed merchandise.
- 7. This information is conducted in a manner consistent with guidelines of 5 CFR 1320.6.
- 8. Public comments were solicited through two Federal Register notices dated July 12, 2007, Volume 72, Page 38093 and September 13, 2007, Volume 72, Page 52383-52384. As of this submission no comments have been received. If CBP receives any comments while this collection is under review at OMB, they will be forwarded.
- 9. There is no offer of a monetary or material value for this information collection.

- 10. The information collected is protected by the Trade Secrets Act (18 USC 1905) and will be kept in a secure location. Only CBP officers with "a need to know" will be granted access.
- 11. There are no questions of a personal or sensitive nature.
- 12. <u>Estimated Annualized Burden on the Public</u> The estimated burden for this information collection is 1,880 hours, based on 730 respondents who file approximately 7,500 responses annually at an estimated .25 hour (15 minutes) each for a total burden of 1,880 hours.
  - <u>Estimated Annualized Cost to the Public:</u> The estimated cost to the public is \$41,284.80, based on an estimated 1,880 burden hours at an estimated to require at an hourly rate of \$21.96.
- 13. <u>Estimated Record Keeping Burden on the Public.</u> There is no record keeping burden associated with this collection.
  - <u>Estimated Capitalization Cost Burden on the Public.</u> There are no capitalization cost associated with this information collection.
- 14. <u>Estimated Cost to the Federal Government</u> The estimated annual cost to the Federal Government in handling, processing, and analyzing the information collected on the declaration is \$57,000.00. This is based upon 1900 burden hours at an average hourly rate of \$30.00.
- 15. There are no changes to this information collection.
- 16. This information collection will not be published for statistical purpose.
- 17. There is no form associated with this collection of information.
- 18. CBP does not request an exception to the certification of this information collection
- B. Collection Of Information Employing Statistical Methods
  No statistical methods are used.