The following conditions govern the time and place to present proof of filing citations, postdeparture filing citations, AES downtime filing citation, exemption or exclusion legends. The USPPI or the authorized agent is required to deliver the proof of filing citations, postdeparture filing citations, AES downtime filing citation, exemption, or exclusion legends required in §30.4(e) to the exporting carrier. See Appendix D of this part for the properly formatted proof of filing citations, exemption or exclusion legends. Failure of the USPPI or the authorized agent of either the USPPI or FPPI to comply with these requirements constitutes a violation of the regulations in this part and renders such principal party or the authorized agent subject to the penalties provided for in Subpart H of this part.

(a) Postal exports. The proof of filing citations, postdeparture filing citations, AES downtime filing citation, and/or exemption and exclusion legends for items being sent by mail, as required in §30.2, shall be presented to the postmaster with the packages at the time of mailing. The postmaster is required to deliver the proof of filing citations and/or exemption legends prior to export.

(b) Pipeline exports. The proof of filing citations or exemption and exclusion legends for items being sent by pipeline shall be presented to the operator of a pipeline no later than four calendar days after the close of the month.

(c) Exports by other methods of transportation. For exports sent other than by mail or pipeline, the USPPI or the authorized agent is required to deliver the proof of filing citations, and/or exemption and exclusion legends to the exporting carrier in accord with the time periods set forth in §30.4(b).
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(b) For shipments where the USPPI or the authorized agent has received an error message from AES, the corrections shall take place as required. Fatal error messages are sent to filers when EEI is not accepted in the AES. These errors must be corrected and EEI resubmitted prior to export for shipments filed predeparture and as soon as possible for shipments filed postdeparture but not later than ten calendar days after departure. Failure to respond to fatal error messages or otherwise transmit corrections to the AES constitutes a violation of the regulation. The USPPI or authorized agent is required to review filing practices and take whatever corrective actions are required to conform with export reporting requirements.

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 78 FR 16378, Mar. 14, 2013, §30.9 was amended by revising paragraph (b), effective Jan. 8, 2014. At 78 FR 67928, Nov. 13, 2013, the effective date was delayed until Apr. 5, 2014. For the convenience of the user, the revised text is set forth as follows:

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(b) For shipments where the USPPI or the authorized agent has received an error message from AES, the corrections shall take place as required. Fatal error messages are sent to filers when EEI is not accepted in the AES and update rejected messages are sent when a correction is not accepted in the AES. Fatal errors must be corrected and EEI resubmitted prior to export for shipments filed predeparture and for post-departure shipments but not later than five (5) calendar days after the date of export. Failure to respond to fatal error messages for shipments filed predeparture prior to export of the cargo subjects the principal party or authorized agent to penalties provided for in Subpart H of this part. Failing to transmit corrections to the AES constitutes a violation of the regulations in this part and renders such principal party or authorized agent subject to the penalties provided for in Subpart H of this part. Update rejected messages must be corrected as soon as possible. For EEI that generates a warning message, the correction shall be made within four (4) calendar days of receipt of the message. A compliance alert indicates that the shipment was not reported in accordance with regulation. The USPPI or the authorized agent is required to review its filing practices and take required corrective actions to conform with export reporting requirements.

§ 30.10 Retention of export information and the authority to require production of documents.

(a) Retention of export information. All parties to the export transaction (owners and operators of export carriers, USPPIs, FPPIs and/or authorized agents) shall retain documents pertaining to the export shipment for five years from the date of export. If the Department of State or other regulatory agency has recordkeeping requirements for exports that exceed the retention period specified in this part, then those requirements prevail. The USPPI or the authorized agent of the USPPI or FPPI may request a copy of the electronic record or submission from the Census Bureau as provided for in Subpart G of this part. The Census Bureau’s retention and maintenance of AES records does not relieve filers from requirements in §30.10.

(1) AES filers shall retain a copy of the electronic certification notice from the Census Bureau showing the filer’s approved operational status. The electronic certification notice shall be retained for as long as the filer submits EEI through the AES.

(2) AESDirect filers shall retain a copy of the electronic certification notice obtained during the AESDirect certification. The electronic certification notice is the only acceptable alternative document for written acknowledgement of the approval of operational status as required under §30.9. AESDirect filers must retain a copy of the certificate for a minimum of five years from the date of receipt of the certification notice.