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TTB Solicits Public Comment on Temporary Rule Affecting Tobacco Importer Permits and Regulations Related to Tobacco Products, Processed Tobacco, and Cigarette Papers and Tubes

Washington, D.C. — On June 27, 2013, the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) published a temporary rule ([T.D. TTB-115](#)) extending the duration of new permits for importers of tobacco products and processed tobacco from three years to five years.

The temporary rule also makes several technical corrections to reflect recent statutory changes and replaces temporary regulations originally published in 1999.

TTB is soliciting comments from all interested parties on these regulatory amendments through a notice of proposed rulemaking ([Notice No. 137](#)) published in the same issue of the Federal Register.

You may view the temporary rule, the related proposed rule, and any comments TTB receives about the proposal, as well as submit comments on the proposal, at the “Regulations.gov” website (<http://www.regulations.gov>) within [Docket No. TTB-2013-0006](#). A link to that docket is posted on the TTB website at <http://www.ttb.gov/tobacco/tobacco-rulemaking.shtml> under [Notice No. 137](#). Please see Notice No. 137 for information on alternative methods for submitting comments.

Comments on this proposal must be received on or before August 26, 2013.

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