



Bulletin 21-25 April 29, 2021

**CIAA Bulletin**

**An Exclusive CIAA Member  
Update**

## **DAIRIES System Conversion to ATLAS Delayed until May 14, 2021**

USDA's Foreign Agriculture Service has announced that the agency will delay migrating the current dairy import license database, DAIRIES, to a new platform called ATLAS until May 14, 2021. This delay is to allow individuals that manage multiple licenses or control numbers for different companies time to consolidate their active e-authentication (eAuth) account established with USDA. DAIRIES will remain fully functional until ATLAS is online.

On and after May 14th, ATLAS will be accessible [here](#). USDA has created an instructional video about ATLAS which can be [viewed here](#) on the FAS website.

As a reminder, in order to access the ATLAS system, all license holders will need to have an active e-authentication (eAuth) account established with USDA. To view or setup your eAuth account, click [here](#). USDA has also provided an [eAuth FAQ](#) that can help users troubleshoot the account setup process.

Individuals that currently manage multiple licenses or control numbers for different companies are highly recommended to take action on their eAuth prior to May 1, 2021. Under the current DAIRIES system, one individual has multiple logins and passwords associated with the various licenses and control numbers they manage on a per company basis. Under the new system, USDA will only allow a single eAuth User ID, associated with each individual, where all licenses and control numbers related to all companies under your responsibility are managed through a centralized landing page. This means that license holders or those who manage licenses for a company, and their subsidiaries, will only have one eAuth User ID and one password to manage all licenses/control numbers for all companies that hold licenses.

If you or a member of your company received an email from USDA related to the need for single eAuth User ID, please contact Elizabeth Riley at [Elizabeth.Riley@usda.gov](mailto:Elizabeth.Riley@usda.gov) and identify which eAuth User ID should be used for your licenses. All other eAuth accounts associated with your email address must be deactivated prior to May 14th.

USDA is also working on allowing multiple email addresses receive communications from ATLAS to ensure that key announcement from the Import Program and information regarding renewals is provided to multiple people within a single company.

If CIAA members have questions or issues accessing the ATLAS database, they should contact the USDA Helpdesk at 1-877-873-0783 or the import programs staff.

**Cheese Importers Association of America**

Daniel Schnyder

President

email: [president@theciaa.org](mailto:president@theciaa.org)

phone: 202-547-0899

---

**INDUSTRY DATES TO REMEMBER**

**JULY 1, 2021**

Last day for an exporting country that is not designating importers for calendar year 2021 to notify FAS.

**AUGUST 31, 2021**

Last day to enter dairy products into U.S. Customs territory that may be used to qualify and establish eligibility for a calendar year 2021 license.

**SEPTEMBER 1, 2021**

First day of license eligibility period for next quota year-plus one. Example: entries made on or after September 1, 2021 can be used to establish eligibility for a license for calendar year 2022.

**SEPTEMBER 1, 2021**

Last date to request globalization of a calendar year 2020 license. First transmission date for applications for reallocated license amounts for calendar year 2020. First transmission date for all applications for calendar year 2021 licenses.

**SEPTEMBER 15, 2021**

(no exceptions!) Last transmission date for licensees applying for reallocated license amounts for calendar year 2021.

**OCTOBER 1, 2021**

(no exceptions!) Last transmission date for licensees to surrender all or the unused portion of their calendar year 2021 licenses.

**OCTOBER 15, 2021**

(no exceptions!) Last transmission date for all applications for calendar year 2022 licenses.

**OCTOBER 31, 2021**

Exporting countries that are designating U.S. importers for calendar year 2022 must submit their designations to FAS by this date.

**DECEMBER 20, 2021**

(approximately) FAS issues first notice of calendar year 2022 licenses to licensees.

**DECEMBER 31, 2021**

Last day for licensees to make entries to fulfill the requirement to use 85% of their calendar year 2021 license amount. Last day for which calendar year 2021 licenses are valid

---

Cheese Importers Association of America  
515 2nd Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20002  
202-547-0899  
Email: [info@theciaa.org](mailto:info@theciaa.org)