Export Control Reform

License Applications and U.S. Exports
The Fourth Transition Rule

Satellites

June 27, 2014 to September 30, 2016

The license applications for items in category XV- Satellites of the United States Munitions List (USML) have declined 81.4% from an average of 365 to 68 per month through September 30, 2016. The average monthly drop of 297 in license applications is the result of certain items transitioning to the Commerce Control List (CCL) under Export Control Reform (ECR).

Source: The Directorate of Defense Trade Controls of the U.S. Department of State, October 2016
Since the Fourth ECR Transition Rule became effective on June 27, 2014, the average number of BIS license applications for the four 9x515 items created by this rule is 91 per month through September 30, 2016. The approval rate is 79.5%.

Source: Commerce U.S. Exports Exporter Support System, October 2016
From June 27, 2014 to the third quarter of 2016, the U.S. exports of items under the Fourth ECR transition Rule – Satellites items (9x515) under BIS jurisdiction totaled 5,609 shipments for $3.2 billion.

The U.S. Cumulative Exports of the Fourth ECR Transition Rule Items under BIS Jurisdiction
June 27, 2014 to September 30, 2016

Source: Automated Export System (AES), October 2016

The U.S. Quarterly Exports of the Fourth ECR Transition Rule Items under BIS Jurisdiction
June 27, 2014 to September 30, 2016

Source: Automated Export System (AES), October 2016
Of $3.2 billion in exports of 9x515 items in the Fourth ECR transition rule under BIS jurisdiction, licensed exports totaled $2.5 billion (80.3% of the total); Strategic Trade Authorization (STA) totaled $405.3 million (12.6%); and No License Required (NLR) to Canada and 9A515.e items to all other destinations totaled $149.4 million (4.6%).

The U.S. Exports of the Fourth ECR Transition Rule Items by BIS License Type
June 27, 2014 to September 30, 2016
Smillion

Source: Automated Export System (AES), October 2016

BIS License Exceptions:

STA: Strategic Trade Authorization
NLR: No License Required
TMP: Temporary imports, exports, reexports, and transfers (in-country)
GOV: Governments, international organizations, international inspections under the Chemical Weapons Convention, and the International Space Station
RPL: Servicing and replacement of parts and equipment