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Justification for the Supplemental H-2A Filing Instructions on Form I-129, Petition for Nonimmigrant Worker

On August 10, 2007, Secretary Chertoff announced a package of initiatives which would strengthen immigration enforcement and address immigration challenges. One of them was to streamline the H-2A temporary agricultural worker program. USCIS understands the concerns of agricultural employers for timely adjudication of their requests for H-2A workers.

In light of the above, USCIS Domestic Operations is committed to centralizing the filing of Form I-129, requesting H-2A classification, at one Service Center and to setting up a discrete P.O. Box address dedicated exclusively for the filing of H-2A petitions. This process will help USCIS to identify H-2A petitions to facilitate a more timely adjudication.

This change will not increase the number of respondents nor change the burden hours associated with this information collection.