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RE: Japan 24 Hour Advance Filing

Dear Valued Customers,

We would like to inform you that the new regulation will be implemented from **1st March, 2014** by the Japanese Customs. The new regulation, "*Advance Filing Rules*" requires electronic submission of information on all maritime containerised cargoes to be loaded on a vessel intended to enter into territory of Japan, no later than 24 hours before departure of the vessel from port of loading.

Upon implementation of the rule, we would like to seek your understanding about the rules, and your support to provide correct and necessary data on time.

Deadline of Filing

- 24 Hours before the departure from loading port outside of Japanese territory.

Effective Date & Shipment (Current Schedule)

- Data Receipt at Japan Customs from AM 0:00, 1st March, 2014 *Japan Time

- Shipment to be filed on and after AM 0:00, 10th March, 2014 *Japan Time

Necessary Data required for the new AFR

- 1) Shipper Name, Address, Telephone number
- 2) Consignee Name, Address, Telephone number, Country Code
- 3) Notify Party Name, Address, Telephone number, Country Code
- 4) Description of Goods
- 5) Harmonized System Code (6-digit)
- 6) Number of Packages
- 7) Packaging Type, i.e. cartons, etc.
- 8) Total Gross Weight & volume
- 9) Mark and Number of Cargo
- 10) Seal Number
- 11) UNDG Identifier for Hazmat Goods

***Please refer to below link for examples of unacceptable description;
<http://www.customs.go.jp/english/summary/advance/annex09.pdf>



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AFR Form

Pls refer to the attached Advanced Filing Form to be filled up by shipper.

Please also take note that amendments are not allowed after the vessel departure, with the exception when:

Advanced Notice (DNL, DNU, HLD) messages have been issued by Japan Customs. AFR amendments are only allowed prior to the vessel departure.

Amendments to the AFR filing after the vessel has departed are prohibited unless NACCS has sent an Advanced Notice of Risk Analysis.

Failure / False Declaration

- Within one-year of Imprisonment or Fine under JPY500,000-.

For more details, you may check from the below websites ;

Japan Customs : <http://www.customs.go.jp/english/summary/advance/index.htm>

NACCS : <http://www.naccscenter.com/afr/>

Please note for shipments ETD Singapore from 1st March 2014, Central Express Lines Pte Ltd will be charging AFR Filing fee of **USD30.00/Set**.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Best Regards,

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