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TO MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Dear Member:

U.S. COAST GUARD MARITIME SECURITY DEVELOPMENTS -ADVANCE ELECTRONIC INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

On December 5, 2003, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) published the final Trade Act of 2002 regulations in the Federal Register. These regulations require advance transmission of electronic cargo information to CBP, and provide for various effective dates depending upon the mode of transportation.

The cargo information required is that which is reasonably necessary to enable high-risk shipments to be identified for purposes of ensuring cargo safety and security and of preventing smuggling pursuant to the laws enforced and administered by CBP.

By March 5, 2004, for all vessel carriers, cargo information must be submitted electronically to CBP, and at least 24 hours in advance of arrival.

The remainder of this Circular deals with several specific issues arising from the new regime.

Enforcement

At this time, CBP Headquarters is considering several enforcement actions against those carriers who fail to meet this strictly mandated timeframe. These may range from financial penalties to denial of a permit to unload cargo and/or denying entry of the vessel into the port.

A final decision on enforcement actions is pending. Nevertheless, it is essential that "non-automated vessel carriers" (see below) take action as soon as reasonably practicable to meet the electronic submission mandates by the March 5, 2004 deadline. Extensions will not be granted.

Non-automated vessel carriers

In order to meet the electronic submission mandated, non-automated vessel carriers may either utilize a service center or port authority to transmit data on their behalf, or a carrier may elect to develop a direct interface between its company and CBP.

To assist those Members making this election, there is attached hereto a list of Sea AMS Data Processing Service Centers and Port Authorities. In addition, the list also includes software vendors who have been identified by the CBP to provide the required software for becoming an automated vessel carrier. Please note that these details are for information only and that the Club does not endorse any of these data processing service providers or vendors.



More information concerning electronic data interchange systems, requirements, and providers, can be found on the CBP website at:

www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/automated_systems/ams/.

It is hoped that the foregoing is of assistance to Members in planning compliance with these new regulations. If any further information is required, the Managers will be pleased to help.

Yours faithfully,

Joseph/E.M. Hughes, Chairman & CEU

Shipowners Claims Bureau, Inc., Managers for

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DATA PROCESSING SERVICES							
Company	Address	Contact	Telephone	Service Centers	Port Authorities	Software Vendors	
ACROBASE	13029 Maple Garden Grove, CA 92843	Nick Luong	714-493-3574	X			
ASCI of Miami	8390 West Flagler Street, Suite 104, Miami, FL 33144	Robert Mastrapa	305-554-6441			X	
Business Commerce (HK) Ltd.	25/F, Shell Tower, Times Square, 1 Matheson St., Causeway Bay, Hong Kong	Derek Yiu	852 2233 2233	X		X	
Cargo Manager Systems, Inc.	2333 Morris Ave. Union, NJ 07083	Michael Gregov	908-688-0555	X			
CBCC	2319 Chichester Ave. Boothwyn, PA 19061	Ben Bustard	610-497-5400			X	
CDM Software Solutions, Inc.	1001 6 th Ave., Suite 400 New York, NY 10018	Darrell Ortiz	2124608202	X		X	
Luis A. Ayala Colon, Sucrs., Inc.	P.O. Box 7066, Ponce, PR 00732-7066	Miguel Echevarria	787-848-9000	X			
CORE Systems (Hong Kong) Ltd.	18 th Floor, China Resources Bldg. 26 Harbour Rd. Wan Chai, Hong Kong	Michael Hung	+1.852.2566.8200	X			
CORE Systems USA, Inc.	172 South Street, 2 nd Floor Murray Hill, NJ 07974	Ian Craig	407-856-2966	X			
Delaware River Ports Authority	240 Cherry Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106	Lisa Himber	215-925-2615		X		
Descartes Systems Group	1745 Phoenix Blvd., Suite 4 th Floor Atlanta, GA 30349	Robb Bartz	404-641-3128	X			
DCS Transport & Logistics	538 Broadhollow Rd. Melville, NY 11747	Cathy Clausen	631-752-7700			X	
e-Data Services, Ltd.	2004 20/F, Grand Business Plaza 153, Wai Yip Street Kowloon, Hong Kong	Jackson Mok	852 2304 0071	X			
E-Freight Technology, Inc.	2225 W. Commonwealth Ave., Suite 307 Alhambra, CA 91803	Chen Ma	626-943-8418	X		X	
Flagship Customs Service	1010 Wayne Ave., Suite 1225, Silver Spring, MD 20910	Robert Foley	301-562-7790	X		X	
Flagship Technologies, Inc.	705 Rt. 66, Bldg. II, Suite 101 Apollo, PA 15613	Bob Mangan	724-727-9925	X		X	

Fountainhead International	1699 Wall St., Suite 506	Marc Borczon	847-364-5600			X
	Mount Prospect, IL 60056					
Freightdesk Technologies	2230 Gallows Rd.	Michael D. DeVito	703-207-1567			X
	Dunn Loring, VA 22027		X217			
FreightStream Inc.	19401 S. Vermont Ave., Suite D-200	Sophia Song	310-380-4500	X		X
	Torrance, CA 90502					
Freightek Inc.	715 Twining Road,	Jack McIntyre	215-887-6100	X		X
	Dresher, PA 19025					
GDZ Computer Services, Inc.	4121 Laguna Street,	Juan de Lemos	305-445-1575	X		X
	Coral Gables, FL 33136					
Horizon Services Group	4100 Alpha Rd., Suite 700	Colleen Pigeon	877-738-8044	X		X
	Dallas, TX 75244					
Integrated Export Systems, Ltd.	29 Church Street,	Raymond Baliatico	201-327-5530	X		
	Ramsey NJ 07446					
International Trade Systems	7120 Hayvenhurst Ave., Unit 114	Matt Cuddy	818-779-2600	X		X
j	Van Nuys, CA 91406					
IT Department Ltd.	1101-02, 11/F, Blissful Bldg.	Sou Chi Ngai	3105 3138	X		X
1	243-247 Des Voeux Rd. C.	(Jimmy Sou)				
	Sheung Wan, Hong Kong					
Maryland Port Administration	2310 Broening Highway,	Terry Sides	410-631-1089		X	
,	Baltimore, MD 21224					
Micro Software Services, Inc.	8200 NW 33rd Street, Suite 316,	Scott Volkers	305-670-9880	X		X
	Miami, FL 33122					
North Carolina Port Authority	P.O. Box 9002,	Chris Mowrey	910-343-6363		X	
,	Wilmington, NC 28402					
Norton Lilly International Inc.	435 Clark Rd., Suite 500	George Sprague, Jr.	904-713-0147	X		
	Jacksonville, FL 32218					
Oceanwide	87 Prince St.	Joe Joy	514-289-9090	X		
	Montreal, Quebec Canada H3C 2M7					
OnePort Limited	12/F, Modern Terminals Warehouse	Vincent Elfring	852 3101 8250	X		
	Building, Phase II, Berth One					
	Kwai Chung, Hong Kong					
Perez Y Cia, de Puert Rico, Inc.	P.O. Box 10084, Muelle 16,	Maria Velez	787-725-9700	X		
	San Juan, PR 00908					
Port of New Orleans	1350 Port of New Orleans Place	Jerrol Larrieu	504-528-3551		X	1
	New Orleans, LA 70130					
Port of Portland	P.O. Box 3529,	Burt Kittleson	503-240-2074		X	
	Portland, OR 97082-3529					
Questa Web Inc.	649 Central Ave.	Felix Pekar	908-233-2300			X
	Westfield, NJ 07090					

SAVI Technology	615 Tasman Dr.	Brian Golden	703-622-8745			X
	Sunnyvale, CA 94089-1707					
SECTRA, LLC/TradePoint	26 Millyard Unit 7	Kevin Gavin	978-834-7803	X		X
	Amesbury, MA 01903					
Smartborder	4200 Witmer Estates	Mark Giannini	800-572-2734	X		X
	Niagara Falls, NY 14305					
Soget S.A.	CCHI Quai Geoge V	Gillis Cadot	33.2.35.19.25.54	X		
	Le Harve France					
Standard Charter Bank	9 th Floor, 388 Kwun Tong Road	David Dobbing	852 2282 7027	X		
	Kwun Tong, Hong Kong					
System Solutions Inc. (SSI)	8 Roy St.	Mr. K. M. Sahas	508-898-1808	X		X
	Westboro, MA 01581					
Tradelink Electronic Commerce Ltd.	Suite 89, 5/F, Hong Kong Trade &	Miss Emily Chung	852 2599 1688	X		X
	Exhibition Centre, 1 Trademart Dr.					
	Kowloon Bay, Hong Kong					
Trade Ship, Inc.	201 Old Country Rd., Ste 202, 2 nd Fl.	Rowena Cheng	631-673-3700	X		X
	Melville, NY 11747					
Trade Tech, Inc.	12600 SE 38th Street,	Nick Schmitt	425-837-9000	X		
	Bellevue, WA 98006-6105					
Transportation Software Services,	575 Sullivan Rd.	Daniel Grabowske	678-592-7012	X		
Inc.	Atlanta, GA 30349					
Henry Vaughn & Co.	305 Cranbury Rd.	Tim Bonsper	732-254-3890			X
	East Brunswick, NJ 08816					
Vilden Associates, Inc.	211 N. Conception Street,	Nancy Hart	251-438-4853	X		X
	Mobile, AL 36603					
Virginia Port Authority	600 World Trade Center,	Ed Capps	757-440-7000		X	
	Norfolk, VA 23510					
Westward Shipping Ltd.	1075 W. Georgia St., Suite 2500	Tung Doan	604-684-6141	X		
	Vancouver, BC Canada V6E 3C9					
WTS Agencies, Inc.	2900 Sabre Street, Suite 100,	Steven Pniewski	757-306-6200	X		X
	Virginia Beach, VA 23452					