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**NACCS SIGNS SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENT WITH  
'Korea Trade Network Co., Ltd.' REGARDING ADVANCE FILING RULES**

**Kawasaki, Japan- 23 January 2013-** Nippon Automated Cargo and Port Consolidated System, Inc. (NACCS Center) signed the agreement with Service Provider 'Korea Trade Network Co., Ltd.' (Seoul, Korea) to connect each other's system to enable Carriers and NVOCCs in foreign countries, the filers of the newly enacted Japan's Advance Filing Rules\*, to report electronically through NACCS to Japan Customs. The details are shown below.

\*Advance Filing Rules: On March 30, 2012, a bill to amend part of the Customs Law passed through the Diet in Japan. This amendment enacts the Advance Filing Rules, which require a vessel operator or a NVOCC to electronically submit information on maritime container cargoes to be loaded on a vessel intended to entry into a port in Japan, to Japan Customs in principle no later than 24 hours before departure of the vessel from a port of loading. The electronic report from foreign filers will be made through service providers authorized by NACCS Center.

- ◆The date of Agreement: 23 January 2013
- ◆The place of Agreement: NACCS Center Headquarters
- ◆Person signed the agreement

NACCS Center: Nippon Automated Cargo and Port Consolidated System, Inc.

Mr. Takuo Yoshimoto, President & CEO

Service Provider: Korea Trade Network Co., Ltd.

Mr. Soo Young Yun, CEO& President

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For further information, please visit NACCS Center website. Advance Filing Rules page contains information on operational issues of the rules and list of authorized Service Providers.

<http://www.naccs.jp/e/afr/index.html>

## 【Signing the agreement】



### ◆ Nippon Automated Cargo and Port Consolidated System, Inc.

#### Mr. Takuo Yoshimoto, President & CEO

We are pleased to announce you today that NACCS Center and KTNET signed the service provider agreement on Advance Filing Rules.

The port of Busan in South Korea is one of the five largest seaports in the world by the yearly container throughput and the largest transshipment port of Japan bound cargoes. Besides, as South Korea is separated by a short distance from Japan, relaxed application to the deadline of filing are applied to cargoes loaded at certain ports of South Korea and destined for certain Japanese ports. It's obvious that how we can establish a mechanism to receive the required information on Japan bound cargoes from South Korea in a timely manner is the key for smooth implementation of the rules. In this respect, welcoming KTNET as the first authorized service provider in South Korea is very encouraging to us. To overcome these challenges, providing relevant service and information to stakeholders including foreign reporters is an essential issue. In this area, cooperation between KTNET and NACCS Center has already started. We held information session for carriers and NVOCCs in South Korea successfully, both in Busan and Seoul with the attendance of KTNET on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of January.

We are going to keep cooperating closely to build the system and also to provide information to relevant parties.

### ◆ Service Provider ( Korea Trade Network Co., Ltd.)

#### Mr. Soo Young Yun, CEO& President

The introduction of Advance Filing Rules in Japan will be a big challenge to NACCS. But having been a global business partner of NACCS since 2008, KTNET has strong confidence that NACCS has full capacity to successfully implement and stabilize the Advance Filing Rules service on time, and KTNET, being the first Advance Filing Rules service provider in Korea, is committed to provide full support to NACCS. KTNET is taking another step towards the comprehensive solutions and services throughout the entire cross border trade cycle including advance customs filings by signing the service provider agreement with NACCS.