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**NACCS CONCLUDES SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENT WITH
'NIPPON EXPRESS CO., LTD.' REGARDING ADVANCE FILING RULES**

Kawasaki, Japan- 18 March 2013- Nippon Automated Cargo and Port Consolidated System, Inc. (NACCS Center) concluded service provider agreement with 'NIPPON EXPRESS CO., LTD.' (Tokyo, Japan) 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.

To be fully ready for the electronic filings from overseas, NACCS Center has concluded agreements with seven overseas service providers, Nippon Express is the first service provider to conclude agreement as Japanese corporation.

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For further information, please visit Advance Filing Rules website. NACCS Center launched this site on March 1 as an integrated information platform of the rules. All the information on operational issues of the rules and list of authorized Service Providers will be available on this site at <http://www.naccscenter.com/afr/>.



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

Mr. Takuo Yoshimoto, President & CEO

I am very pleased to inform you that NACCS Center and Nippon Express concluded the service provider agreement on Advance Filing Rules today.

With regard to the Advance Filing Rules, establishment of a mechanism which enables accurate and timely filings on Japan bound maritime container cargoes is essential especially around hub ports in international container routes. Today NACCS Center welcomed new partner Nippon Express which has numerous business locations in Asia, US, Europe and so forth and constructs and operates global logistics network.

NACCS Center and Nippon Express has already had a good cooperation in various areas and I'm delighted that today we add Advance Filing Rules as a new challenge to work on together. With an eye toward the formal launch of the rules in March next year, we will strive to collaborate closely together.

◆ **Service Provider (NIPPON EXPRESS CO.,LTD.)**

Nippon Express and NACCS Center concluded the Service Provider agreement regarding Advance Filing Rules today.

The Nippon Express global network covers over 438 locations in 40 countries* and we have served as NVOCC, providing import/export services in Asia, Oceania, Europe and the Americas for over 30 years. (*As of December 31, 2012)

To enhance the cargo security, Nippon Express has been taking proactive approaches to the US AMS filing. As Japan introduces Advance Filing Rules, we will endeavor not to delay the flow of import cargoes to Japan by joining the Service Providers and have close information exchange with overseas agents.

We will work on smooth introduction of the rules with close cooperation with NACCS Center and contribute to maritime container security.