



**Press Release**

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**NACCS SIGNS SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENT WITH  
'TRADE TECH, INC.' REGARDING ADVANCE FILING RULES**

**Kawasaki, Japan- 10 January 2013-** Nippon Automated Cargo and Port Consolidated System, Inc. (NACCS Center) signed the agreement with Service Provider 'Trade Tech, Inc.' (Bellevue, USA) 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: 10 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: Trade Tech, Inc.

Mr. Bryn Heimbeck, President

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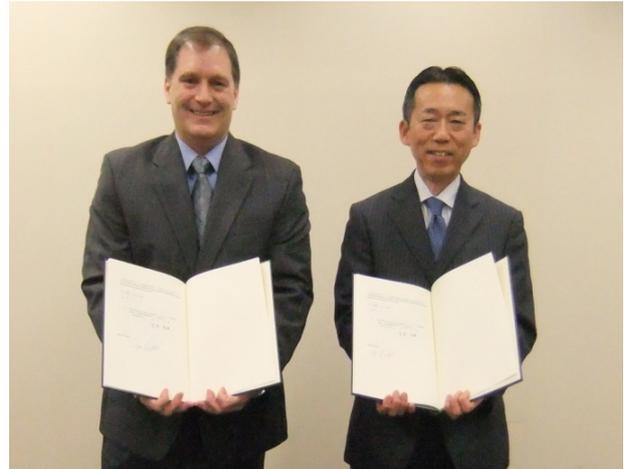
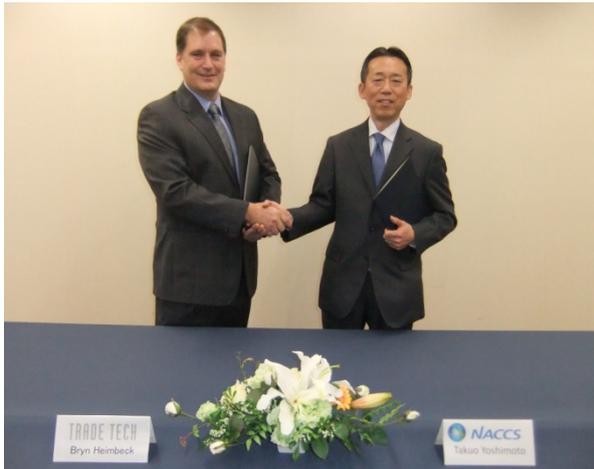
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For further information, please visit NACCS Center website. Advance Filing Rules page contains information on operational issues of the rules and list of authorized Service Providers.

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

**【Signing the agreement】**



**◆ Nippon Automated Cargo and Port Consolidated System, Inc.  
Mr. Takuo Yoshimoto, President & CEO**

I am very pleased to share that NACCS Center and Trade Tech signed the service provider agreement on Advance Filing Rules at our headquarters today.

TradeTech, the first authorized service provider in the US, has considerable experience and achievements as a service provider for advance filing rules of foreign Customs administrations such as the US AMS filing. Partnering with TradeTech is encouraging news to ensure smooth operations of Japan's Advance Filing Rules.

With an eye toward the formal launch of the rules in March next year, we are going to spend time cooperating closely to build the system and be ready by then.

**◆ Service Provider (TradeTech, Inc.)  
Mr. Bryn Heimbeck, President**

We are very excited about working with NACCS to support implementation of Japan's 24-hour rule. This is just another example of where relying on a Cloud-based technology solution creates a single global solution. We believe that 10 years from now most countries will use the Cloud, which presents the opportunity to link people globally on a single interface, while facilitating service to the customer.

We are delighted that our customers will be able to continue to count on Trade Tech's solutions for security compliance as Japan joins the US, Canada, Mexico, and the European Union in requiring 24-hour advanced manifest information.