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NACCS HELD INFORMATION SESSION IN SOUTH KOREA (BUSAN, SEOUL) REGARDING ADVANCE FILING RULES

Kawasaki, Japan- 23 January 2013- We announce today, taking an opportunity of signing the Service Provider Agreement with a Korean company, Korea Trade Network Co., Ltd., that Nippon Automated Cargo and Port Consolidated System, Inc. (NACCS Center) held the information session regarding Advance Filing Rules in Busan and Seoul, South Korea on 8th and 9th January 2013 respectively, with Enforcement Division of Customs and Tariff Bureau, Ministry of Finance of Japan. Please refer to the attachment for details.

*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.

For further information, please visit NACCS Center website. Advance Filing Rules page has information on such as operations of the rules and list of authorized Service Providers.

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

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OVERVIEW OF INFORMATION SESSION IN SOUTH KOREA (BUSAN, SEOUL)
REGARDING ADVANCE FILING RULES

1. Information session for relevant parties in Busan

(1) Date: 8 January 2013, 15:00-16:15

(2) Venue: Hanjin Shipping Building

(Joonang-Dong 4 ka, Joong-ku, Busan, Korea)

(3) Participants: Approx. 50 people from Carriers and relevant parties

(4) Overview:

After a staff of Enforcement Division of Customs and Tariff Bureau, Ministry of Finance of Japan shared the overview of the Advance Filing Rules, NACCS Center made a presentation on system connection and reporting process of the Advance Filing Rules followed by Q&A session. Various inquiries were made such as the types of cargoes to which rules will be applied, penal provisions and relaxed application to the deadline of filing.

2. Information session for relevant parties in Seoul

(1) Date: 9 January 2013, 15:00-16:30

(2) Venue: World Trade Center Seoul

(Samsung-Dong, Gangnam-Gu, Seoul, Korea)

(3) Participants: Approx. 100 people from Carriers and relevant parties

(4) Overview:

After a staff of Enforcement Division of Customs and Tariff Bureau, Ministry of Finance of Japan shared the overview of the Advance Filing Rules, NACCS Center made a presentation on system connection and reporting process of the Advance Filing Rules followed by Q&A session. As in Busan, various inquiries were made such as the types of cargoes to which rules will be applied, penal provisions and relaxed application to the deadline of filing.

Additionally, Korea Trade Net (KTNET), the first Korean service provider signed the agreement with NACCS Center on 23 January 2013, joined the session in Seoul. During the session, KTNET announced their intent to be a service provider for Japan Advance Filing Rules and also to the participants of the session, their willingness to be consulted on any difficulties participants may face in the implementation of the Advance Filing Rules.

2. Participants

