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Circular from Singapore Customs

TradeFIRST - A New Framework by Singapore Customs

Singapore Customs (SC) has recently launched TradeFIRST, a single trade facilitation window that makes trade easy, fair and secure. TradeFIRST has benefitted the pioneer batch of companies, including THT Logistics which has estimated the cost savings resulting from TradeFIRST to be \$25,000.

You may wish to find out how you can benefit from TradeFIRST, at http://www.customs.gov.sg/leftNav/trad/TradeFIRST.htm.

The following information on TradeFIRST are attached for your reference:

- a) Information Kit on TradeFIRST
- b) Articles relating to TradeFIRST

What is TradeFIRST?

TradeFIRST is a single trade facilitation window that makes trade easy, fair and secure. It supports Singapore Customs (SC)'s trade facilitation and compliance efforts by enabling SC to assess a company holistically, based on a common set of assessment criteria applied across all facilitations. With this framework, SC will also be able to proactively partner traders in improving their systems and processes. This integrated risk management approach and partnership with trade will raise the compliance and supply chain security standards of companies, resulting in reduced regulatory cost and greater facilitation for traders.

For more information on TradeFIRST, please contact Singapore Customs officers, Ms Chan May Er (6355 2650) or Ms Ong Kai Woon (6355 2043).

Thank you.

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