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Traders and Declaring Agents

Dear Sir/Madam

GAZETTE OF THE STRATEGIC GOODS (CONTROL) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2020

Singapore Customs has reviewed the Strategic Goods (Control) Regulations (SGCR) to ensure that the administration of strategic trade control remains robust and provides adequate information for risk assessment, while at the same time facilitates the flow of legitimate trade.

2 We would like to inform you that the changes to the SGCR have been published in the Strategic Goods (Control) (Amendment) Regulations 2020. The changes will take effect from **3 August 2020**. For ease of compliance with the newly added requirements, you are strongly advised to review your current processes and make the necessary adjustments before the new regulations take effect. More information is provided in Box 1.

Box 1: Summary of changes with effect from 3 August 2020

For Individual and Bulk Permit Holders and Registered Persons (Brokering):

- a) Currently, all permit holders and registered persons are required to maintain a list of records/documents listed under Reg 20(1) of the SGCR. If any documents/records are not in English, an English translation of the documents/records have to be provided upon request by Customs.
- b) If there is change in any information or particular submitted at the time of the application for the permit, the permit holder shall, within 14 days of such change apply to the Director-General of Customs to make an amendment to the permit.

For Registered Persons (Brokering):

- a) Registered persons (brokering) are required to submit a report (including nil return) containing information that relates to the documents specified in Part II of the Third Schedule in the SGCR.

For Bulk Permit Holders:

- a) Bulk permit holders are required to submit monthly report (including a nil return) for any Intangible Transfer of Technology (ITT), within the scope of approval, containing information listed in Reg 7(2) of the SGCR, where applicable, on the 14th of each month or upon request by Customs. Such reports should be submitted to Customs_schemes@customs.gov.sg.
- b) Bulk permit holders are required to provide all relevant information such as the Customs Procedure Code, Processing Code 1 and Processing Code 2 (containing the STS bulk permit number) when applying for the TradeNet permit for export of strategic goods, as illustrated below.

TradeNet® 4.1 Declaration Procedures For Strategic Trade Scheme Bulk Permit

1. Please note the following details which are to be indicated in the TradeNet® declaration for exports covered by STS Bulk Permits:

Declaration Field	Information to be Declared	
	Approval By Countries of Destination	Approval by Specific Entities
Customs Procedure Code (CPC)	STS	
Processing Code 1 (PC1)	STS3	STS2
Processing Code 2 (PC2)	<<Bulk Permit Number>>	

- c) Bulk permit holders are required to keep the documents listed in Part III of the Third Schedule in the SGCR (e.g. screening of the consignee, documents of business transactions related to export of strategic goods, internal audit reports, internal training records, etc.) for a period of at least 5 years.

3 Any breach of the regulation in the SGCR is an offence and a person guilty of such offence shall be liable on conviction to a penalty stated in the SGCR or the Strategic Goods (Control) Act.

4 If you have any enquiries related to the individual permit or brokering registration, please email to customs_stgc@customs.gov.sg. If you have any enquiries related to the bulk permit, please email to customs_schemes@customs.gov.sg.

Yours faithfully

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