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Newsletter

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TWO MONTH CUTOVER FOR ELECTRONIC PRA'S

SHIPPING AUSTRALIA, P&O Ports and Patrick Corp have confirmed that June 1 is the start date for the new mandatory electronic pre-receival advice system.

There will be a two-month phase in of the new system until August 1, where the old paper documents can still be used. This period will allow for testing and an orderly change over to the new compulsory electronic system.

We suggest that customers in the supply chain seriously address this change and ensure they are prepared come August 1, 2004.

For information regarding your options with 1-Stop please e-mail or contact the helpdesk. helpdesk@1-stop.biz or 1300-881-055.

HELPDESK @ 1-STOP...

To ensure that all queries are answered promptly and through the correct channels, it is important that all 1-Stop Customers contact the helpdesk.

For all administration enquiries, system issues or account queries, the contact details are as follows:

1300-881-055
helpdesk@1-stop.biz

We appreciate your co-operation.

1-STOP NEW WEBSITE RELEASE...

The long awaited website will be released next week. An official circular stipulating the confirmed release date will be distributed to all registered web users by the end of this week explaining the major differences to the site.

The site will feature new help files for each application which we recommend users download and follow in order to correctly utilise each facility.

Although we have thoroughly tested the new website, we appreciate if users could contact the helpdesk immediately should they find any issues with its functionality.

1-STOP ON THE ROAD...

1-Stop on the road this month, dates as follows: -

Patrick Corp & PO Ports are holding a seminar in Adelaide June 2nd for Rail customers.

The CBFA and the Victorian Transport Association (VTA) will hold forums in Melbourne on June 3 & June 7.

The VTA will also be holding a PRA forum for Trucking Companies on June 16th.

For more information please contact these authorities directly or please e-mail sales@1-stop.biz.

** IMPORTANT ** FOR CURRENT PRA USERS

The following is important regarding the correct ISO Code submissions for PRA's.

The ISO code is normally a 4 digit number code stipulated on your container.

This 4 digit code needs to be typed in the first of four fields when completing the ISO Code information for a PRA. You do not need to select the next three drop down lists if you know the ISO Code.

If you do not know the ISO code you can use the subsequent three drop down lists to build the correct ISO code in the first field. From the first drop down box select container type ie. 20', 40' etc. From the second drop down box select the dimensions of the unit ie. 8', 8'6", 9' etc. From the third drop down box select the container description eg. General Purpose, Reefer etc. The use of these three drop down lists will determine the relevant ISO code in the first field for submission.

If you have any questions please contact the helpdesk on 1300-881-055.

CMR UPDATE

Customs & software developers have agreed to a "go live" target date of early October for the export component of the CMR

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project, most likely October 5. Customs have also indicated that the far more complex imports component of the Integrated Cargo System, which is also stalled with no fresh start date, is now planned to start in "early 2005".

The ICS export component replaces the existing Customs EXIT system. It was originally scheduled to start at an already delayed date of March 1, but was delayed because of concerns over reliability.

However, on May 13 a meeting between Customs and the developers also agreed that there would be two review meetings between now and October to ensure that the date is still workable.

Reviews will be held on June 17, when six out of 26 critical outstanding issues are expected to be resolved, and then a further review will be held in July. The date could be changed if the right progress is not being made.

1-STOP SYSTEM TIPS...

A few more tips for users this month in relation to the PRA facility. The following are items which are useful to all PRA users.

User Configuration – in the Export Advice there is a provision for users to set up rules for PRA notifications. If you require an **e-mail advice** (to 1 or multiple recipients) **regarding the ACCEPTANCE or REJECTION**

of a PRA, set up the rule required in this area.

For **over-dimensional** open top containers or flatracks etc, the **commodity code available is OOG – Out of Gauge** cargo. This will correctly advise the terminal that the cargo is over-dimensional.

Selecting the correct terminal – as per our circular on 28th May. PRA users need to **ensure** they process a PRA for the **correct terminal**. Similar to multiple voyages listed in our schedules, there are instances where a terminal will service a vessel for imports due to port congestion and another terminal will service the exports for the same vessel. Users must know their receiving terminal for exports and be aware that they **select the correct terminal and voyage for a vessel**.

PRA – EDI ENQUIRIES...

For PRA Developers,

The EDI IFTERA Pre-Receipt Advice messaging is now in production.

If you are ready to go to production with your system, then you need to let us know first. **DO NOT** send messages to the production email address - it won't work - until 1-Stop has registered and configured your Senders Code(s) -

To do this we need....

- ABN Number,
- Organisation/Company Name,
- Company Location*,

- Response Email Address - the default email address for the return messages.

If you are a software provider to the industry where your system acts as a bureau type service (this usually means a centralised server or website) then...

if you intend to distribute the response messages from your server back to your customers then you only need 1 Senders Code and 1 Response email address...

otherwise you may need multiple Sender Codes.

If your software is stand-alone (i.e. at your customers site & not linked back to a central server) then we need to set up a Senders Code for each of your customers individually.

*The Company Location is either the Suburb or City or Town. This is important if your customers operate in multiple places. We can set up multiple Sender/Trading Codes for each company location so Response messages can go back to individual site locations.

WELCOME ABOARD...

1-Stop would like to welcome on-board an addition to our Customer Service / Helpdesk team. Mr Ben Condie joined us May 24th. Ben's background in freight forwarding gives him sound knowledge and experience with imports and exports. Additionally his I.T. orientation fits in well with 1-Stop he will prove a valuable asset to our company.