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Subject: Terminal Handling Charges levied by Shipping Lines-reg

Attention of all the Importers/Exporters, Customs Brokers, Shipping Lines/Agents, CFSs, Custodian Port Terminal Operators, General Trade coming under the jurisdiction of ICD PPG & other ICDs and all other stakeholders is invited on the above captioned subject.

2. “Terminal Handling Charges (THC)” are levied by Port terminals to the Shipping Lines and Shipping Lines in turn collect these charges from the Importers/Exporters. Many Importers/Exporters have represented to the department that Shipping Lines are collecting “Terminal Handling Charges” which are at variance with what the shipping lines have paid as THC to the port terminals. This results in lack of transparency in these charges.

3. In order to bring transparency, augment ‘ease of doing business’ and to reduce the logistics costs, it has been decided that Importers/Exporters having AEO status and those who are availing DPD facility for containerized cargo may be allowed the facility of paying Terminal Handling Charges (THC) directly to the Terminal Operators instead of paying through Shipping Lines. Therefore, all such eligible Importers/Exporters who have already opened PD accounts with the Terminal Operators may pay terminal handling charges directly to the respective Terminals. The eligible importers/exporters who do not have PD accounts may open PD accounts with the concerned Ports/Terminals and pay Terminal Handling Charges directly to the concerned Port/Terminals. Ports/Terminals are also requested to raise invoices for THC directly to the eligible and willing Importers/Exporters.
3. Difficulties faced, if any, may be brought immediately to the notice of the undersigned.

(Manish Saxena)
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New Delhi

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11. The President, Delhi Customs Clearing Agents Association, 260-61, Anarkali Bazar, Jhandewalan Extension, DDA Shopping Complex, New Delhi-110055.
12. Federation of India Export Organization, Nirvat Bhawan, Rao Tula Ram Marg, Opp. Army Hospital R&R, New Delhi-110010
13. All Shipping Lines
14. All freight forwarders
15. Custodians, ICD PPG & others ICDs

(Signed)
Assistant Commissioner (RC)
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