
Date: 27 September 2016 To whom it may concern
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Goods Importation Advance Notification

Dear Clients,

This is to inform you that Article 22 "Monitoring aspects of passage of people, transport vehicles, cargoes, commodities and animals at the checkpoints of Vladivostok Free Port" of the Federal Law "On Free Port of Vladivostok" No. 212-Ф3 of 13 July 2015 (hereafter 'the Law'), is coming in force as of 01 October 2016.

Above Article of the Law binds to submit preliminary information of goods arriving by sea by way of a transit declaration or a declaration of goods (subject to the selected customs clearance regime after the cargo arrival) not less than 2 hours prior to the arrival at the Customs Union territory. According to the provisions of the Law, the said information might be submitted to a customs agency of arrival by any party concerned, being entitled to dispose of cargo/goods, (ocean carrier included).

By reference to specific features of sea transportation, the Cargo Owner (the shipper/the consignee/its authorized representative/the declarant /the forwarder, etc.) is privy to the said information. The goods information is submitted to the customs agency in electronic format: by means of entering the information of goods via a personal account of a foreign trade operator on the portal of the Russian Federation Federal Customs Service (FCS) (<http://edata.customs.ru>) or via software products licensed by FCS. Disclosure of information results in acceptance of Unique Identification Number of Advance Goods Information (UIN AGI). In accordance with clause 12 of Article 22 of the Law a consignment of goods to relation of which the advance information is not provided falls within a risk area, that is, the customs agency/other executive agency is authorized to take measures so that to minimize the risk like this in compliance with the Russian Federation legislation.

In view of the above, FIT LLC as the Agent of the Ocean Carrier requests you to inform all parties/forwarders/foreign trade operators concerned about the necessity to inform customs agencies of the goods arrival in advance and to accept UIN AGI in accordance with the legislative requirements. The accepted UIN AGI must be also submitted to the Ocean Carrier for the further transfer to the customs agency along with a cargo manifest for the vessel arriving at the territory of the Customs Union.

At the present time, FIT LLC has the following opportunities to release UIN AGI to the customs agency of arrival:



- If UIN AGI is available by the shipper at the time of vessel's sailing from the port of loading, the FESCO line agent has the opportunity to enter the said information into the electronic cargo manifest for the vessel for the further transfer to the customs agency at the port of arrival along with the electronic cargo manifest.
- In the event that UIN AGI is received by the foreign trade operator after the vessel's sailing from the port of loading but prior to submitting the electronic cargo manifest by the carrier, the Ocean Carrier has the opportunity to connect the information about the consignment of goods from the cargo manifest with the goods information provided by the foreign trade operator by using the integrated software system portal "Seaport Portal". Under these circumstances, the carrier is not held responsible for the correct operation of software system "Seaport Portal" with regard to connecting AGI of the party concerned with the electronic cargo manifest.

As far as the cargo transportation and execution are of our common interest, FIT LLC is ready to provide any assistance to the clients in consultation exercise in regard of a sequence of UIN AGI receipt at the customs agency. Should you are interested, FIT LLC is also pleased to inform you of its commitment to render a service to submit the goods information needed by means of declaration to the customs agency and to receive UIN AGI for your clients. So that to receive the additional information and secure approval for the service rendering order you are welcome to apply to your manager at FIT LLC.

Please note that a failure of UIN AGI upon the vessel's arrival can be a risk for both the carrier and the consignee as well as a reason for delay of the cargo customs clearance and might incur the relevant additional charges.

Yours faithfully,



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