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Subject: AEO programme digitization - Ease of doing business - Development of web-based application for AEO-T1 - Reg.

Attention of all Exporters/Importers, Customs Brokers, Members of Trade and other stake-holders is invited to Circular No 51/2018-Customs dated 07.12.2018, published by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), on its website on the above mentioned subject.

Reference is drawn to the Circular No. 26/2018- Customs dated 10.08.2018 wherein it was stated that "*The Online processing of AEO T1 application will commence as soon as the necessary digital infrastructure is in place.*" Keeping in line with the target of digitisation, an online AEO website has been developed under the aegis of CBIC for online filing and processing of AEO T1 applications. This AEO Website (domain name: aeoindia.gov.in) was launched by the Chairman, CBIC on 30.11.2018 and subsequently the access to the website was made available to both the applicant, for filing of AEO T1 application (annexures), and Customs officials, for processing and delivery of digitized AEO Certificate online of newly filed applications.

A Trade Notice in this regard for AEO Web Application has already been circulated among the field formations. Both the trade and the field formations are requested to make use of the online platform with immediate effect.

Further, for ensuring seamless transition to the online web-application, it has been decided to concurrently continue with the manual filing and processing of AEO T1 applications up to 31.03.2019. The trade and field formations respectively would have the liberty to file and process the applications manually up to the prescribed transition time limit, i.e. up to 31.03.2019 so as to obviate any delay in time-bound processing of the applications. However, both trade and field formations should make earnest effort to use this online mode as much as possible.

Reference is also drawn to Para 3 (viii) of the Circular No. 03/2018- Customs dated 17.01.2018 regarding amendment in the AEO Programme whereby the validity of AEO Certificate of T1 & T2 were extended to 3 years uniformly.

Accordingly, in order to synchronize validity with review and OSPCA of AEO-T1 identified entities, their intervals are also being extended to 3 years from existing 2 years, by modifying the following Paras of Master Circular No. 33/2016- Customs dated 22.07.2016 as below: -

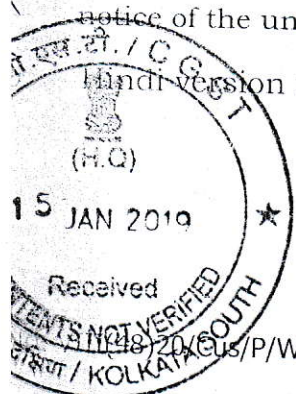
Para 1.5 (viii) "They will not be subjected to regular transactional PCA, instead of that onsite PCA will be conducted once in three years only."

Para 5.4.1 "The AEO Programme Team will review AEO status periodically to ensure continued adherence to the conditions and standards of grant of Certificate of AEO Status. Thus, it is recommended that the AEO status holder should continue to re-assess its compliance with the conditions of certification and act upon any identified problems as soon as they arise. The frequency of such review will be three years in case of AEO-T1 & AEO-T2 and five years in case of AEO-T3 & AEO-LO. As far as possible, the review and the onsite PCA, if applicable, will be conducted simultaneously."

However, DIC may initiate review of any entity at any point of time if there are reasons to believe, to the satisfaction of the AEO Programme Manager, that the adherence to the conditions and standards of AEO status is compromised or affected.

Difficulties, if any, faced in the implementation of this Circular should be brought to the notice of the undersigned.

Hindi version follows.



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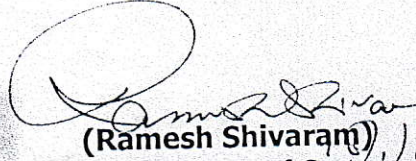
- 1) The Chief Commissioner of Customs, Kolkata Customs Zone, Custom House, Kolkata.
- 2) The Commissioner of Customs, Port / Airport & Administration, Custom House, Kolkata.
- 3) The Commissioner of CGST & CEX, Kolkata (North) / Kolkata (South) / Howrah / Haldia / Bolpur / Siliguri Commissionerate, Kolkata
- 4) The Deputy / Assistant Commissioner of Customs, Petrapole Circle / Barasat / Krishnagar / Dinhata / Naxalbari / Siliguri / Malda Division.
- 5) The Deputy / Assistant Commissioner of Customs, System, Custom House, 1st Floor, Kolkata – 700001 to upload in the official website.
- 6) The Deputy Commissioner of Customs (P&E), CC(P), WB, Custom House, Kolkata with request to issue Hindi version of the Public Notice.
- 7) The Bharat Chamber of Commerce, 9/1, Syed Amir Ali Avenue, Mullick Bazar, Ballygunge, Kolkata – 700 017.
- 8) The Indian Chamber of Commerce, 4 India Exchange Place, Kolkata – 700 001.
- 9) The Bengal National Chamber of Commerce & Industries, 23 Sir R.N. Mukherjee, Kolkata – 700 001.

The Merchant Chamber of Commerce, 15B HemantaBasuSarani, Kolkata – 700 001.

The Federation of Indian Export Organizations, Express Tower, 42A Shakespeare Sarani, 6th Floor, Kolkata – 700 017.

The West Bengal Customs House Agents' Society, 4 Fairlie Place, "HMP House", Mezzanine Floor, Room No. M-10, Kolkata – 700001.

Notice Board.



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