

To All Licensed Warehouse Operators

**IMPLEMENTATION OF STORELINK -  
AN ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF DAILY  
STATEMENTS AND MONTHLY STOCK RETURNS**

1. We are pleased to inform you that an Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) system, Storelink will be implemented with effect from 1 Jul 96. The system will enable liquor and tobacco warehouse licensees to submit their daily stock movements statements and monthly stock balance returns to Customs and Excise Department (CED). This system will replace the two current systems, CUSLINK and CELINK. The new system will have the following advantage over the two old systems.
  - a. Licensees are able to transmit the daily statements and monthly returns to Customs at anytime of the day or night through the SNS network.
  - b. An acknowledgment message will be returned to each licensee upon receipt of their daily statements.
  - c. Customs will inform the licensees of any particular erroneous records electronically.
  - d. To rectify erroneous records, licensees will be able to resubmit specific amended records and not the entire statements as in the case now.
  - e. Faster bank guarantee (BG) crediting for imports of dutiable liquors and tobacco for licensees participating in Storelink.
  - f. Licensees will no longer be required to return the Customs Inward Permits to our Permits/Manifests Section if they are Storelink participants.
  - g. An acknowledgment message stating the number of lots received by Customs will be sent back to the licensees upon the receipt of their monthly stock balance returns.
2. To ensure a smooth cutover to Storelink on 1 Oct 96 and to enable users to familiarise themselves with the new software, there will be a three months parallel run of Storelink with the existing CUSLINK and CELINK from 1 Jul 96 to 30 Sep 96. From 1 Oct 96 onwards, only Storelink will be used. Users are therefore encouraged to acquire the new software earlier and to use it to make their submission as soon as possible. Please also take note that you are not supposed to use CUSLINK or CELINK to transmit the statements once you have switched to Storelink.
3. All software developed by the authorised vendors are required to pass the Quality Assurance (QA) test by CED. Users are reminded that they should only acquire software that have passed the QA test. You may wish to acquire the software from any of the following software vendors who have passed the test.

<b><u>Name of Company</u></b>	<b><u>Tel No</u></b>
IPACS Computer Services (S) Pte Ltd	7736665
ST Computer Systems & Services Pte Ltd	2403518

4. To participate in Storelink, you are required to apply to SNS for a mailbox and to register with Customs for the person(s) authorised to transmit the daily stock movement statements and monthly stock balance returns. Please indicate your licensed warehouse number together with the name and NRIC number and fax it to Warehousing Branch at fax No 2509958. A maximum of five authorised persons is allowed.
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