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All Traders and Carrier's Agents

TRADENET VERSION 1.8

The current TradeNet Version of 1.7 will be enhanced to Version 1.8 on 1 Jan 96 to tie in with the implementation of the 1996 HS amendments recommended by the World Customs Organisation. Besides having more streamlined features, the enhanced TradeNet Version 1.8 will also be more user friendly. With the implementation of TradeNet Version 1.8, we will be able to deposit the periodical updates on the Customs Exchange Rates directly into your mail boxes for retrieval and updating into the "utility" routines to facilitate your preparation of payment declarations purposes.

2 As part of our continual efforts to strive for error-free declarations, we have further enhanced the front-end validations checks to prompt users to re-check certain possible data entry errors in the preparation of declarations. Amongst the improvements incorporated in the enhanced TradeNet Version 1.8 are:

- a a facility to produce an Outward or Payment declaration from existing information available at the line details in the earlier Customs Inward Permit for temporary importation of goods for exhibitions, etc;
- b a flexibility to allow the debiting of bank guarantee from importer's account instead of from declaring agent;
- c message screen displays only the required information to be entered; and
- d a clearer menu display.



3 To ensure a smooth cut-over to TradeNet Version 1.8 on 1 Jan 96 and to enable users to familiarise themselves with the new software, there will be a one-month parallel run of TradeNet Version 1.8 concurrently with existing Version 1.7 from 1 to 31 Dec 95. During this period, users are encouraged to acquire the new software and to use it to make their declarations.

4 All the softwares developed by the authorised vendors are required to pass the Quality Assurance (QA) test by CED. Users are reminded that they should only acquire softwares that have passed the QA test as only CED approved softwares can be used to transmit declarations. The following software vendors are participating in the development of TradeNet Version 1.8:

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>Tel No</u>
ST Computer Systems & Services Ltd	2403518
IPACS Computer Services (S) Pte Ltd	7736665
Singapore Network Services	7785611
CSA Pte Ltd	2730681
Port of Singapore Authority (PortNet)	3211197
Innosys Pte Ltd	7443002

Innosys Pte Ltd is a newcomer and is participating in the development of TradeNet software for the first time.

5 To assist users to familiarise themselves with the new software, CED will be conducting a total of 18 one-day courses at the Customs Training School Theatre on a vendor-basis. Users are urged to liaise with their software vendors to enrol for the course.

6 If you need any further information or clarification, please call the Customs Service Unit at telephone 3752000.


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