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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS (CHENNAI IV)

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FACILITY CIRCULAR No. 36/2019

Sub: Extension of Direct Port Entry (DPE) for Export Containers of AEO TIER-2 & TIER-3 Clients in Chennai Port on 24 x 7 basis - reg.

Attention of Exporters, Importers, Customs Brokers, Custodians, Port Terminal Operators, Shipping Lines/ Shipping Agents, Container Freight Stations (CFSs) of Chennai Customs Zone and other stake holders is invited to the Facility Circular No.36 and 36A/2018 both dated 31.08.2018 and 29.09.2018, wherein the Self sealed containers exporters are permitted to move through DPE facility at CWC (Thiruvottiyur), registration and grant of "Let Export Order (LEO)".

2. Direct Port Entry (DPE) facility is a trade facilitation initiative to reduce the dwell time of export cargo directly allowing the entry of the export containers into the port for export.
3. CBIC, vide Circular F.No.450/25/2009-Cus IV dated 07.09.2016 as amended by Board's Circular no. 26/2017 dated 01.07.2017 extended the Direct Port Entry (DPE) facility to self sealed containers into the port prior to granting LEO.
4. At present, the self-sealed Export containers are allowed direct entry into Chennai port through 24X7 DPE facility at CWC Thiruvottiyur. As a matter of further trade facilitation for AEO-T2&T3 clients in terms of para 1.5.2(ii) of circular 33/2016 dated 22.07.2016, it is decided that self-

sealed export containers of AEO TIER-2 & TIER 3 clients will be allowed to enter directly into container terminals of Chennai Port viz., Chennai Container Terminal Limited (CCTL) & Chennai International Terminal Pvt. Ltd. (CITPL) directly and offload the containers in Terminal Premises even prior to obtaining LEO.

5. PROCEDURE FOR DIRECT PORT ENTRY (DPE): -

5.1 For the Export container of AEO TIER-2 & TIER-3 exporters, one of the trade facilitation benefits extended through the Board Circular 33/2016 dt. 22.7.2016 is that the seal verification and scrutiny of documents by Custom officers would be waived and their consignments would be given let export order without the scrutiny by the Customs Officers.

5.2 AEO TIER-2 & TIER-3 Clients can move their self sealed export containers from warehouse directly into Port terminals on the strength of Shipping Bill Checklist, mentioned with SB number and Form 13 (EIR copy) issued by Terminal Operators. The Port terminals shall update the arrival of AEO TIER-2 & TIER-3 containers mentioned in the Shipping bills in their DPE terminal application which can be accessed by DPE officers.

5.3 The LEO for shipping bills of AEO T2 & T3 clients will be given by DPE Officers posted 24x7 in O-Yard. The AEO T2 & T3 Exporter or their Custom Broker shall approach O-Yard DPE counter well in advance with Shipping Bills Checklist and list of containers covered in the concerned Shipping bill. The Examining officer and the LEO officer shall ascertain the arrival of all the containers mentioned in the Shipping bill through DPE terminal application and grant LEO to shipping bill without seal verification and scrutiny of documents. For the above said purpose, CCTL and CITPL have to put in place a DPE terminal application and provide login access to the DPE officers.

5.4 The Chennai port terminals are directed to accept the export containers pertaining to the subject Shipping Bills arriving into the port and make an entry in Custodian's DPE Terminal

application evidencing the said containers have entered into the Customs Area. This process shall be done for all the containers in the concerned Shipping bills till the arrival of the last container in the Shipping bill.

5.5 On arrival of last container of the subject Shipping Bills, CHA shall intimate the details of the Shipping Bill(s) to the Customs Officers in-charge at O-Yard for Registration and LEO which can also be verified in terminal applications of CCTL and CITPL.

5.6 Port Terminals CCTL & CITPL shall stack the arrived DPE containers separately in the terminal yard and after verifying the allow for shipment for the DPE containers through DPE terminal application, shall proceed to load onto the vessel.

5.7 After LEO is given to the Shipping bills by the Customs officer, the Allowed for Shipment (ALS) is given by the Customs officer for all the containers pertaining to the concerned Shipping bill through DPE Application module after which the Terminal can start loading the export containers pertaining to the Shipping bill on to the vessel.

5.8 The Port terminal's DPE application module should have a provision to capture a shipping number and the containers associated with concerned Shipping bill whose arrival status and Allowed for shipment can be tracked in real time. The DPE application module should be linked to the TOS (Terminal Operating System) of concerned terminal for real time tracking. CCTL/CITPL shall create DPE application module as specified above in their Terminal Operating System (TOS) for this DPE facility.

5.9 The AEO TIER-2 & TIER-3 Exporter or their Customs Broker shall submit the Shipping bill(s) checklist to the Inspector (Examiner/Preventive officer) of O-Yard (CFS/DPE) for Registration and forward the same to the Appraiser/Superintendent O-Yard (CFS/DPE) who shall give LEO and Allow for shipment through DPE Terminal Application. In addition, PO/EO of O-Yard (DPE)

will give Allow for shipment endorsement on shipping bill LEO copy for submission to Liner for EGM purpose.

5.10 If the container(s) are selected for scanning, such containers shall be scanned on priority by giving front line of treatment and the procedure should be followed as per Facility Circular No.12/2019 dated 08.02.2019.

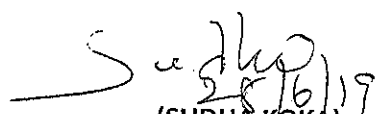
5.11 The AEO TIER-2 & TIER-3 Exporter(s) availing DPE facility may register with Chennai customs DPE website (www.dpechennaicustoms.in) for availing of trade facilitation benefits such as receiving SMS on granting LEO to mobile phone of representative of AEO T 2 and T 3.

6. Monthly Report to be furnished by the Terminals:

6.1 Chennai Port Terminals (ie. M/s. CCTL and M/s. CIPTL) shall submit a monthly report of AEO TIER-2 clients availing DPE facility to the concerned Deputy/Assistant Commissioner giving details in the prescribed Performa set out as Annexure – A,B,C.

7. 24/7 Facility:

7.1 This Facility of DPE entry of export containers into CCTL & CITPL terminal at Chennai Port shall be available 24/7 and shall come into force with effect from 01.07.2019. Difficulties, if any, and suggestions may be brought to the notice of the Joint Commissioner of Customs (DPE), Custom House, Chennai-1 for consideration. (Phone No: 044 25254332; E mail id: chencusdocksoffice@gmail.com).


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To:

1. M/s. DP World, Chennai.
2. The Nodal Officer, M/s. CCTL, Chennai Port.
3. The Nodal Officer, M/s. CITPL, Chennai Port.
4. Port Authorities, Chennai Port.
5. All Additional Commissioners/ Joint Commissioners/Deputy Commissioners/ Assistant Commissioners, - Chennai Customs Zone - I/II/III/IV/VII/VIII.
6. The AC (EDI) Chennai Customs House – For uploading on website.
7. FIEO (Federation of Indian Export Organisations)
8. All Container Freight Stations / ICDs.
9. All E-Seal Vendors
10. Chennai Steamer Agencies Association (ChenSAA)
11. Customs Brokers Association - for circulation among members.
12. NACFS – for circulation among members.
13. Plant Quarantine Information System, Directorate of Plant Protection
14. Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
15. Central Drugs Standard Control Organization
16. Wildlife Crime Control Bureau
17. Textiles Committee, Ministry of Textiles
18. Animal Quarantine & Certification Services

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Commissioner of Customs, Chennai Customs Zone – For kind information.
2. The Principal Commissioner / Commissioner of Chennai Customs Zone – I/II/III/IV/VII/VIII.

ANNEXURE – A (Monthly Report - Exporter wise)

S. No.	Name of the Exporter	No. of export containers		Total no. of export containers in TEUS
		20 ft.	40 ft.	

ANNEXURE – B (Dwell Time Report)

Custom House, No. 60, Rajaji Salai, Chennai-600 001.
Tel: 044-25231217, Fax: 044-25221861 Email:commr4-cuschn@nic.com

Month -			
No. of Export Containers cleared			
	* < 24 hrs.	* 24 – 48 hrs	* > 48 hrs.
AEO Tier-2 Clients			

ANNEXURE – C (DPE Report)

Month	No. of DPE Containers	Total Export Containers	Percentage of DPE Containers	TOTAL Export TEUS