Regulation of Imports and Exports (Amendment No. 5) Regulations 2003

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REGULATION OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS ACT (CHAPTER 272A)

REGULATION OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS (AMENDMENT NO. 5) REGULATIONS 2003

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Regulation of Imports and Exports Act, the Minister for Trade and Industry hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Regulation of Imports and Exports (Amendment No. 5) Regulations 2003 and shall come into operation on 1st January 2004.

Amendment of regulation 4

2. Regulation 4 of the Regulation of Imports and Exports Regulations (Rg 1) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (3), the following paragraphs:

"(3A) The Director-General may, in any case in which he thinks fit, grant or refuse to grant any permit to import, export or tranship any goods under paragraph (1).

(3B) For the purpose of paragraph (3A), where an exporter has contravened any provision of the Act or these Regulations or any condition imposed under the Act or these Regulations, whether as an exporter or otherwise, the Director-General may refuse to grant any permit for the export of such goods by the exporter for such period of time following the contravention as the Director-General thinks fit."; and

(b) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (4), the following paragraph:

"(5) Any person who breaches a condition imposed by the Director-General under paragraph (4) shall be guilty of an offence.".

Amendment of regulation 6

3. Regulation 6 of the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraph:

"(2A) Notwithstanding regulation 3, where a preferential tariff arrangement or agreement exists between Singapore and a foreign country specified in the first column of the Sixth Schedule, there shall be no exportation from Singapore to such foreign country of any goods specified in the second column of that Schedule unless the conditions specified in the third column thereof are satisfied."; and

(b) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (3), the following paragraph:

"(4) In this regulation, "foreign country" means a country or territory outside Singapore.".

Amendment of regulation 22

4. Regulation 22 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after paragraph (3), the following paragraph:

"(3A) Any person who breaches a condition imposed by the Director-General under paragraph (3) shall be guilty of an offence.".

Amendment of regulation 24

5. Regulation 24 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after paragraph (6), the following paragraphs:

"(7) Any person to whom a certificate of origin has been issued under this regulation shall maintain records of all documents which verify the certificate of origin for such period of time as may be required by the Director-General.

(8) The Director-General may require any person referred to in paragraph (7) to furnish to him any document referred to in that paragraph at such time and in such manner as the Director-General may require.

(9) Any person who breaches a condition imposed by the issuing authority under paragraph (5) or who fails to comply with paragraph (7) or a requirement of the Director-General made under paragraph (8) shall be guilty of an offence.".

Amendment of regulation 24B

6. Regulation 24B of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (3) and substituting the following paragraphs:

"(3) The Director-General may require any manufacturer or exporter to furnish to him any document referred to in paragraph (2) at such time and in such manner as the Director-General may require.

(4) Any person who fails to comply with paragraph (2) or a requirement of the Director-General made under paragraph (3) shall be guilty of an offence.".

Deletion and substitution of regulation 37

7. Regulation 37 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

"Register of importers, exporters, common carriers, etc.

37.—(1) The Director-General may maintain a register in such form as he may determine containing the particulars of —