SECURE TRADE PARTNERSHIP

Securing Singapore's Trade

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Overview of STP



• Singapore's national supply chain security programme

Voluntary







- Open to all players based in Singapore that are involved in supply chain activities
- Consistent with the WCO SAFE Framework to secure & facilitate global trade (WCO SAFE)

How can STP Help Your Business?





STP – A Business Risk Management Framework



Secure Trade Partnership



Why Processes?



 Increases end to end transparency, allowing quicker detection and resolution of problems

- Ensures clarity of roles and accountability
- Increases process reliability and efficiency
- Regular review to ensure relevance

Why People?

- Importance of sensitivity to business challenges
- Important that each of them is trained to ensure a consistent outcome – assurance that everyone knows what they are supposed to do





Why Infrastructure?



 Can achieve intended outcomes with greater efficiency and predictability

 Important to know infrastructure that is deployed and how it can support operations and people

• 2 employees John and Derrick in Company A

- John got a better offer and left the company
- Derrick was tasked to cover for John's job but he was not familiar with John's job
 - No documented procedures and no formal training provided
 - Could not perform the job effectively
 - Caused delays in customer order fulfillment.

- Company B manufactures items that will be used by manufacturers of consumer products
- Outsources its trucking and warehouse management to a service provider.
- The service provider did not secure the container after it was loaded.
 - Entire container was driven away by another driver
 - Company B caused delay in their customer's activities

- Company C stores items that need to be kept in low temperatures.
- The company has a cold room to store these items
- One day, the cooling facility failed.
- Company C had no back up plan
 - The facility could not be recovered in time
 - Company C had to compensate its customer for the losses.

- Company D controls access to its office via biometric system
- Visitor details captured in an electronic system
- Deploys PTZ Cameras around the warehouse and office
- When officers visited the company:
 - Employee let visitors into the office without questioning
 - Visitor details were not captured
 - Some CCTV cameras were damaged

Could these have been prevented?

• Disruption to business usually occurs when one or more of the following fail:







Processes

Infrastructure

People Factor

How can STP help your business?

 Increase process conformance and reduce likelihood of incidents occurring

 Increase ability to detect and respond to incidents

• Increase ability to recover from disruptions



How can STP help your business?

 Comprehensive assessment of the processes, infrastructure and the people factor in your company to help identify potential sources of business risks

Potential gaps in security measures identified	Sharing on risks faced by company in its line of business	Sharing of best practices
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8 Key Security Elements



1.Premises Security and Access Controls



2.Personnel Security

8 Key Security Elements



3.Business Partner Security



4.Cargo Security



5.Conveyance Security



8.Crisis Management and Incident Recovery



7.Incident Management and Investigations



6.Information and Information Technology (IT) Security

8 Key Security Elements

Singapore



Business Friendly Approach



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It is not the intention of the STP to replace/supersede a company's existing supply chain security systems

The STP seeks to leverage on other security programmes, industry & best practices & partnerships

Case Study 5: Illegal Immigrants in Containers



Immigration & Checkpoints Authority

Stepped-Up Enforcement At Woodlands Checkpoint Enable Officers To Nab A Driver Trying To Smuggle 15 Immigration Offenders Out Of Singapore In 2 Secret Compartments Of A Cargo Lorry

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... the driver was behaving nervously... immigration offenders found in a hidden compartment in the front portion of the container....

was no ventilation. As noises were heard coming from the container floor, the officers removed the wooden floor planks and found 4 male immigration offenders hiding underneath. All these immigration offenders would have perished in a prolonged situation in the confined space. The Malaysian driver and a total of 15 immigration offenders were arrested. The cargo lorry was seized.

Case Study 6: Theft by Employee

Woman jailed for cheating two employers over 4 years

Posted: 04 April 2012 1324 hrs



SINGAPORE: A woman who cheated her employers of nearly S\$370,000 has been given four and a half years behind bars.

Normah Pungut stole from two employers over a four-year period from 2007 to 2011.

The 41 year old was working as an executive at marine trading firm Variflex when she misappropriated more than S\$328,000 from her boss between April 2007 and December

While she was under investigation for the missing funds, she took on a new job at ... and continued on her cheating spree

The court heard that she used the ill-gotten money to foot her bills, including the downpayment of a car and an HDB flat.



What if ...

 What if the container load of items you exported is found to contain drugs or illegal immigrants at the country of import?

• What if the cargo you exported never reaches your overseas customer?

• What if an outsider got access to information about your customers and suppliers?

• What if yours or your customers' cargo got stolen from your warehouse?

Could the possibility of the above be minimised?

- They could have been minimised by putting in place mechanisms to control and monitor the movement of cargo.
- These mechanisms could have been cost effective to implement
- By putting in place policies, practices, systems and reviews to minimize the possibility of disruption to the movement of cargo from one point to another.

Benefits of the STP

• Enhanced corporate branding and competitiveness

- Imports will have a lower or lesser chance of Customs intervention by SC and ICA
- Exports will have a lower or lesser chance of Customs intervention domestically and at the importing countries where SC sign mutual recognition arrangements with.

 In the event of trade disruption, cargo from certified companies are likely to be cleared ahead of others when trade resumes

What Traders say about us



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STP – A Global Outlook



Globalisation & Vulnerabilities



International Trend on Supply Chain Security

- WCO Framework of Standards to Secure and Facilitate Global Trade (WCO SAFE)
- An international standard recognized by national governments
- Approximately 170 countries have signed letter of intent to implement WCO SAFE





EU Authorised Economic Operator New Zealand Customs Service Secure Exports Scheme



Mutual Recognition Arrangements (MRA)

• Singapore concluded MRAs with:

- Canada (Jun 2010)
- Korea (Jun 2010)
- Japan (Jun 2011)
- China (Jun 2012)

• All 4 MRAs are fully operationalised

 In discussion with several other countries, including the US

International Trend on Supply Chain Security

- Developed after extensive consultation with the private sector
- Using risk based approach to secure and facilitate trade
- Does not adopt a one size fits all approach



Singapore – A Global Trade Hub

Strategic LocationExcellent Connectivity



Complex Supply ChainIncreased Vulnerability

Objectives of STP – A Govt Perspective

Profile Singapore as a secure trading hub

Help Singapore companies gain a source of competitive advantage

Enhance capabilities of companies in supply chain security management

Partner businesses to help raise the overall level of supply chain security standards in Singapore

CURE BADE

STP and STP Plus

- Company has to meet most of the requirements in the STP Guidelines and Criteria
- Company has to achieve at least an "Intermediate" band under TradeFIRST

STP

STP-Plus

- Higher tier of STP certification
- Company has to meet all the minimum requirements in the STP Guidelines and Criteria
- Company has to achieve "Premium" band under TradeFIRST

How do you apply for the STP Programme?



Application for STP under TradeFIRST



Information to be submitted for STP Application under TradeFIRST

- STP Application Form;
- An introduction of the company;
- Completed TradeFIRST self-assessment checklist and relevant supporting documents; and
- Copy of the company's relevant security accreditations , if any.

Application for STP under TradeFIRST

Validity of STP certification

Up to 3 years depending on the band achieved by company under TradeFIRST

Duration of the application process Depends on:

- Readiness of the company
- Submission of documents
- Complexity of company's business model and operations
 Number of sites



More information on STP



Outreach Programmes

- To create awareness on the importance of supply chain security
- To provide companies with a better understanding of the STP
 - Through various means:
 - News Releases
 - Circulars
 - Seminars/Dialogues
 - Courses
 - 1-1 Consultations
 - Company Visits
 - Mailing List



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Conclusion

 You play an indispensable role in achieving total supply chain security

 Investments in supply chain security bring about tangible and intangible benefits.

 Such investments should not be considered as a financial burden but an opportunity for improving business performance and profitability

 The STP provides you with a <u>free</u> assessment tool and that <u>opportunity</u>.

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- Get an overview on some of the strategic plans and solutions to these challenges



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