Customs City Delivers Convenience to Customs Brokers with A Revolutionary ABI Software Platform

Pickering, Ontario Oct 1, 2023 (<u>Issuewire.com</u>**)** - Customs City is a leading digital solutions provider, bridging the gap between customs professionals and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agency (CBP). It is set to revolutionize the customs brokerage industry with the imminent launch of its Automated Broker Interface (ABI) platform. As a CBP-approved ABI software vendor, Customs City introduces a specialized software solution to streamline and simplify documentation processes for customs brokers in the United States.

The Customs City ABI platform leverages the Electronic Data Exchange System to facilitate seamless communication and documentation exchanges between customs brokers and the CBP. By addressing the delays and complexities associated with document transmissions and customs approvals, Customs City's ABI platform establishes itself as a reliable and efficient facilitator throughout the entire process.

The CBP mandates that cross-border shippers present accurate and comprehensive documentation for the goods they import or export. The clearance process can stretch out without efficient solutions and cause significant delays. Customs brokers currently encounter five major challenges in the clearance process:

Customs Classification: Importers face penalties for misclassifying goods, which can be challenging for large-volume shippers who must accurately attribute the right HS codes to each item in a shipment.

AD / CVD Compliance: (Anti-dumping/countervailing duty)To maintain fair markets and safeguard national economic stability, the CBP requires shippers to check goods for the applicability of Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Duties during import. The varying tax and duty levies across countries and items often create confusion and errors.

PGA Compliance, Messages, and Corrections: Certain imports require proper licensing from Partner Government Agencies (PGA) to ensure public health and safety. Managing PGA compliance, initiating communication, and issuing corrections become challenging for large-volume imports.

Intellectual Property Rights: Goods featuring trademarks and logos must be accompanied by relevant commercial licensing and documentation to prove legal usage. Failure to provide this information leads to the seizure or destruction of goods at the expense of brokers.

Records Maintenance: The CBP mandates recordkeeping for at least five years, posing a significant challenge for customs brokers, particularly those handling large-volume shipments.

Customs City's ABI platform is equipped with comprehensive tools that enable customs brokers to navigate these challenges with a high degree of automation. Unlike other solutions, Customs City's ABI stands out for its robust digital infrastructure, directly connecting brokers to the CBP and ensuring reliability throughout the documentation ecosystem for customs compliance.

A spokesperson from <u>Customs City</u> provided insights into how the ABI platform addresses these challenges, <u>stating</u>, "As a CBP software vendor, our software makes it possible to prepare the documentation, confirm and validate data and make any corrections to entry summaries from one portal."

Customs brokers will soon leverage the Customs City ABI platform in the following pivotal ways:

Creation of entries for Consumption - (03) Anti-dumping/Countervailing Duty, (11) Informal, (21) Warehouse, (22) Re Warehouse, (23) Temporary Importation Bond (TIB), and more.

Type 86 mass upload, enabling the submission of thousands of entries swiftly through Excel upload or JSON API.

Querying capabilities for manifest, HTS, exchange rates, PGA compliance, AD/CVD, quota, Census warning, and broker download.

Real-time data mapping reduces submission errors by linking source and destination data entries seamlessly.

In-Bonds creation and submission (IT, T&E, and IE) to the CBP.

The Entry cloning feature saves time by reusing past entries for similar items with unchanged information.

Templates for individual customers, automating data entry retrieval and saving time.

Post Summary Correction feature, allowing users to send entry corrections to the CBP after the entry summary has been accepted.

Reconciliation functionality for streamlined import reconciliation processes.

PGA messaging capabilities for FDA, FWS, EPA, Lacey Act, AMS, USDA, and PGA corrections.

The Customs City ABI platform also offers a range of other valuable features to customs brokers, such as statement processing/debit authorization; manifest query; syncing cargo release with submitted manifest; generation of entry numbers in case a duplication is encountered; "Find and Replace" feature for HTS to quickly change the large numbers of HTS.

Renowned for its digital solutions, Customs City focuses on enhancing efficiency and expediting the customs compliance process. Their comprehensive range of solutions includes Type 86, ACE/ACI, Truck Manifests, RNS, consulting, ISF, ACE Air eManifest, In-Bond, ACE Ocean Manifest, FDA Prior Notices, and more.

The success of Customs City's customs compliance digital solutions is evident in the platform's handling of 5,000,000 eManifests per month, including 5,000,000 Type 86 entries and 10,000,000 FSNs (Freight Status Notifications).

Customs City is now eagerly preparing to launch its next major revolution through the robust ABI platform, aimed at significantly improving communication between customs brokers and the CBP. For further information or to get in touch with Customs City representatives, please use the following contact details:

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About Customs City:

With over 30 years of collective experience in assisting companies with Customs Compliance, Customs City Global Solutions was founded on the belief that integrating modern technologies with expert Customs and Trade knowledge can provide the most effective solutions for our valued customers.

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