

TO: All ocean and river carriers

**Full migration to electronic submission of ocean and river cargo manifests from 16 June 2006**

The Government has introduced legislative amendments to mandate the electronic submission of ocean and river cargo manifests. Subject to the completion of the legislative process, all manifests for ocean and river cargoes must be submitted through electronic means from 16 June 2006 onwards.

Tradelink provides the electronic manifests service (EMAN) that will reduce the time and manpower resources spent by the industry in submitting manifests to the Government, thereby improving overall efficiency. EMAN is also more environmentally friendly as carriers no longer need to prepare three copies of paper manifests for delivery to three different government departments.

To prepare for the full migration to electronic submission on 16 June 2006, all ocean and river carriers are urged to take immediate actions to get ready an appropriate end user solution to use the EMAN service. In most cases, this will involve individual user's development of a flat-file interface between its backend system to Tradelink's end user software, LogiNet for EMAN service. To help speed up the development of the interface, Tradelink's technical team will provide users assistance/support wherever necessary to make sure the solutions are developed and completed before the deadline date. Tradelink will soon be contacting the users to discuss their needs for technical assistance. Alternatively, customers can call us at 2917 8866.

In the meantime, Tradelink is organizing a technical workshop on 10 March 2006 to provide a detailed walk through of the technical specifications and requirements for development of the flat file interface and other related technical advice to users. Interested customers can enroll to join the workshop by completing the reply-slip below and fax back to us at 2506 0388.

For more information of the government's press release about making online submission of ocean and river cargo manifests mandatory, please visit the following links:

*English version :* <http://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/200602/24/P200602240085.htm>

*Chinese version:* <http://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/200602/24/P200602240086.htm>

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**Reply Slip for EMAN Technical Workshop**  
*(Please return to fax number 2506 0388 for enrolment)*

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ CETS ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Seat: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: March 10, 2006 (Friday)

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Venue: Tradelink Head Office – 11/F & 12/F, Tower B, Regent Centre, 63 Wo Yi Hop Road, Kwai Chung, HK