## (Unofficial Translation) Announcement of the Office of the Board of Investment No. Por 3/2548

## Criteria in applying for privileges for machineries via Electronic Machine Tracking (e MT)

In order to provide convenience to investors in exercising privileges for machineries via new electronic machine tracking system, which improves services and reduces unnecessary documents, consistent with the law development policy and good governance promotion.

By virtue of Section 11 and 13 of the Investment Promotion Act B.E. 2520, the Office of the Board of Investment, as authorized by the Board of Investment, hereby announces the criteria in applying for privileges for machineries via electronic machine tracking system as follows.

- 1. Starting from the date this announcement becomes effective, Announcement of the Office of the Board of Investment No. Por 13/2544 dated December 7, 2001 regarding procedures of applying machinery list via the machinery tracking system (MCTS) and Announcement of the Office of the Board of Investment No. Por 9/2547 dated October 19, 2004 regarding criteria and method in approving machinery list via the machinery tracking system shall be repealed.
- 2. Promoted companies or those approved for promotion who wish to receive privileges in importing machinery according to Section 28 and Section 29 must be trained for the procedures in applying for privileges for machinery via eMT provided by the office or bureau assigned by the Office, prior to applying for exemption or reduction of import duty for machinery.
- 3. User name and password will be provided for those who are trained according to Clause 2, so they are able to apply for the privileges for machinery via eMT as follows.
  - 3.1 Applying for the approval of machinery list
    - 3.1.1 Applying for approval of machinery list the Office will consider within 60 business days from the date applied.
    - 3.1.2 Applying for approval of machinery list amendment the Office will consider within 30 business days from the date applied for amendment.
    - 3.1.3 If the information in 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 is insufficient, the Office will request additional information such as production process, machinery photos, machinery specification, efficiency certificate for used machinery etc.
  - 3.2 Applying for release of machinery

Application for release of machinery imported according to the list of machinery approved for exemption or reduction of import duty, for lifting of bank guarantee or duty refund will be considered within 3 hours from the time the application is received.

3.3 Applying for permission to use bank guarantee instead of paying duty and applying for extension of using bank guarantee instead of paying duty

Application for permission to use bank guarantee instead of paying duty and applying for extension of using bank guarantee instead of paying duty will be considered within 3 hours from the time the application is received.

3.4 Applying for export of machinery

- 3.4.1 In case of machinery released by the Office via eMT, machinery list for export approval can be directly selected from the system.
- 3.4.2 In case of machinery released by the letter from the Office or via MCTS, list of machinery and details of release must be recorded in eMT before applying.
- 3.4.3 The Office will consider the application for machinery export within 3 hours from the time the application is received.

Application via eMT must follow the format and methods specified by the Office.

4. This announcement shall become effective for the projects applied for privileges for machinery to the Office in Bangkok Metropolitan from January 1, 2006 and for the projects applied for the privileges for machinery to Regional Investment Economic Centers from June 1, 2006 onward.

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