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To,

All Members of Plexconcil

Dear Sir / Madam

Subject: Regarding Electronic filing & Issuance of Preferential Certificate of Origin (CoO) under (Ind-Aus. ECTA) w.e.f. 29th December 2022 & Customs Notifies Customs Tariff (Determination of Origin of Goods under the India-Australia ECTA) Rules, 2022.

Ref. (1) DGFT Trade Notice No. 23/2022-23 (2) P/N. No. 44/2015-2020 dated 22.12.2022 &

## (3) Custom Notification No. 112/2022-Customs (N.T.) dated 22.12.2022

This is to inform you that O/o DGFT in continuation to the announcement by the government to implement the India Australia ECTA has notified the necessary rules for Electronic filing and Issuance of Preferential Certificate of Origin (CoO) under India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (Ind-Aus ECTA) w.e.f. 29 th December 2022.

## The Procedure to apply online is as follows:

On submission and approval of applications online under the above-mentioned Trade Agreement, the e-CoO system shall generate one copy i.e., electronic copy. The electronic copy shall bear the image signature of the issuing officer and stamp of the issuing agency. The authenticity of any eCoO may be verified by scanning the QR code on the certificate, or by keying in the certificate number under the 'Verify Certificate' link on https://coo.dgft.gov.in

The Exporter may please take note of the following points regarding the eCoO application process being notified herewith:

- Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) would be required for the purpose of electronic
- The digital signature may be Class III and should have the IEC of the firm embedded in the DSC.
- Any new applicant exporter would be required to initially register at the portal. The password would be sent on the email and mobile number of the IEC holder. In case the IEC holder desires to update their email on which communication is to be sent, the same may be done by using the 'IEC Profile Management' service on the DGFT website https://dgft.gov.in

 Once registration is completed, the IEC branch details would be auto-populated as per the DGFT-IEC database. Applicant is required to ensure that updated IEC details are available in the DGFT system. Necessary steps may be taken to modify the IEC details, when required.

For further guidance on registration and application submission, the Help manual & FAQs may be accessed on the landing page at <a href="https://coo.dgft.gov.in">https://coo.dgft.gov.in</a>.

Members may refer to the official Trade notice for more clarification;

 $https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/17c2ff92-0eca-4705-9ee8-dfe45e296345/Trade%20Notice%2023%20-%20eCoO%20-%20India%20Australia%20ECTA%2022Dec2022\_signed%20[1].pdf$ 

In this regard, there is a Public notice issued by DGFT giving the list of Agencies authorized to issue Certificate of Origin (Preferential) of Foreign Trade Policy, members might check that from the given link;

https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/a655ac1c-12e9-4271-bf49-1034c1ea4d83/PN%2044%20dt%2022-12-22%20Eng.pdf

In continuation to the announcement by the government to implement the India Australia ECTA effective from 29.12.2022, the Customs has notified the necessary rules.

The Notification can be downloaded from the link below:

https://taxinformation.cbic.gov.in/view-pdf/1009582/ENG/Notifications

Best regards,

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