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Client Advisory

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Per a recent Foreign Trade Regulation (FTR), effective December 3rd, 2009 Social Security Numbers (SSN) will no longer be accepted as a valid identification for shippers (i.e., US Principal Party of Interest) on export shipments. As a result all shippers who are currently using SSNs for their shipments must provide a Employer Identification Number (EIN) starting December 3, 2009.

Shippers can obtain an EIN by visiting www.irs.gov/businesses/small and selecting "Employer ID Numbers (EIN)". Once you click the "Employer ID Numbers" link you will have the option to apply for an EIN online (select the "Apply for an EIN Online" option). Most individuals will apply for an EIN as a Sole Proprietor; however, we suggest that you consult with your accountant before making that decision.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us. We take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and friendship.

The Management and Staff of Transworld Logistics Group