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MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE

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Shipping Community

**ENHANCING ELECTRONIC PORT CLEARANCE FOR VESSELS USING THE SPECIAL BUNKERING ANCHORAGE SCHEME**

The Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) presently offers 24-hour port clearance services through the Electronic Port Clearance (EPC) system. With this arrangement, shipping agents can obtain port clearance at their own offices or Self Service Terminals located within MPA's premises, if the vessel's statutory certificates are valid.

2 To better serve the shipping community, the MPA will be enhancing the EPC procedures for vessels calling at the port to take bunkers under the Special Bunkering Anchorage Scheme.

3 With effect from 1 Mar 2006, EPC users will be able to apply and obtain Port Clearance for vessels using the Special Bunkering Anchorage Scheme by undertaking and declaring that these vessels are properly manned and possess valid certificates and documents. EPC users need not present original certificates for inspection at MPA offices with this undertaking.

4 Should you have any queries, please contact us at telephone number 6325 2370 or 6325 2589.

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