



Customs-Trade
Partnership Against Terrorism

Partnering in Supply Chain Security and Facilitation for the 21st Century



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C-TPAT Achievements

October 1, 2014

10,809 - Certified Partners

164 - Staffing Level

336 - Tier 3 Importers

26,010 - Total Validations Completed

12,645 - Initial Validations Completed

13,365 - Revalidations Completed

Importers	4322
Carriers	3156
Foreign Mfrs.	1437
Brokers	864
Consolidators/3PL's	970
MPTO's	60

Number of completed validations by year:

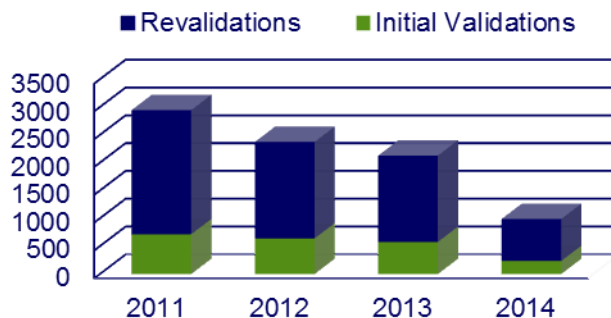
2013: 578 Initial Validations + 1,553 Revalidations = 2,131 Total Validations

2014: 369 Initial Validations + 1,281 Revalidations = 1,650 Total Validations

1,908 - Total Suspensions

1,320 - Total Removals

Validations Completed by Year



Program Initiatives:

8 - Mutual Recognition Arrangements: New Zealand, Canada, Jordan, Japan, Korea, European Union, Taiwan, Israel

4 - Mutual Recognition Projects: Singapore, China, Mexico, Switzerland

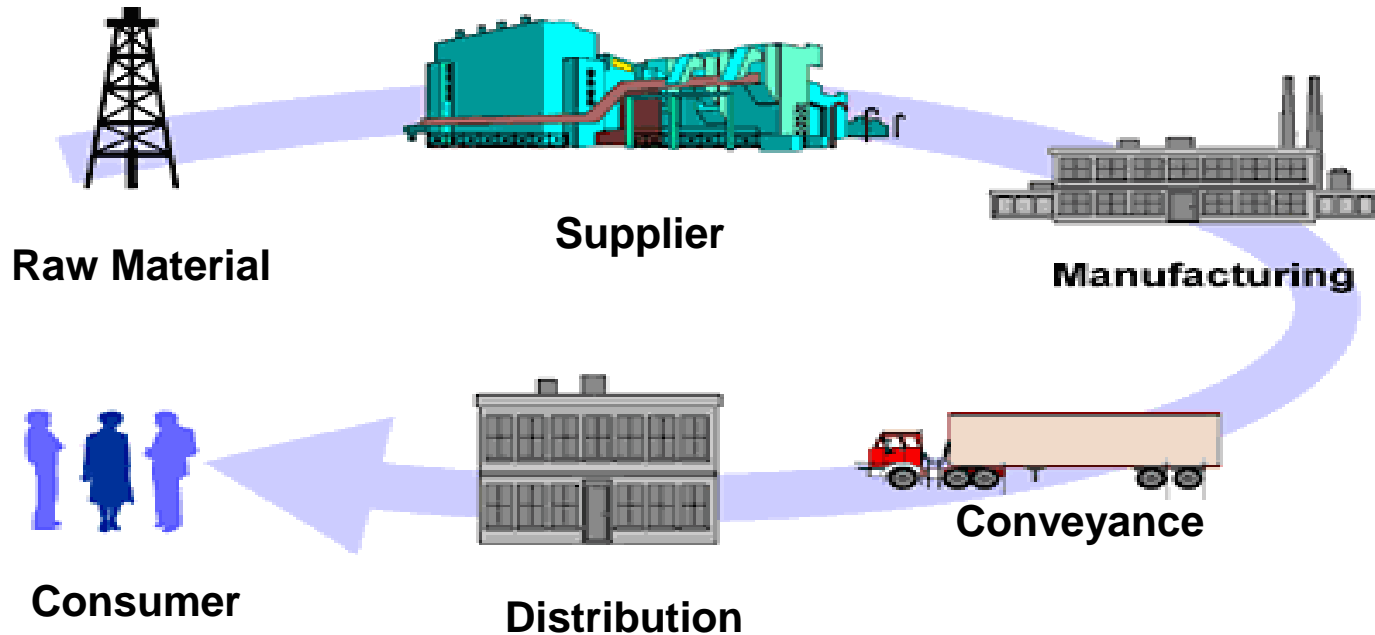
12 - Technical Assistance Projects: India, Turkey, Jamaica, Dominican Republic, Honduras, Panama, Colombia, Chile, Peru, Uruguay, Brazil, Costa Rica

4 - Partner Government Agencies: FDA, TSA, USDA, Coast Guard



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C-TPAT Supply Chain



The supply chain for C-TPAT purposes is defined from point of origin (manufacturer/supplier/vendor) through to the point of distribution

FOR HIGHWAY CARRIERS:

The supply chain for highway carriers for C-TPAT purposes is defined from point of origin from the yard or where the tractors and trailers are stored, through pickup at the manufacturer/supplier/vendor, through to the point of distribution.



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In Program History...



101,173

Recommendations

- 44,092 Importers
- 37,181 Highway Carriers
- 7,148 Foreign Mfr.
- 6,161 Consolidators
- 5,585 Brokers

35,799

Actions required

- 17,538 Importers
- 12,605 Highway Carriers
- 2,289 Consolidators
- 1,652 Brokers
- 1,492 Foreign Mfr.



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In Program History...



2,450 Best Practices

- 1,727 Importers
- 149 Carriers
- 464 Foreign Mfr.
- 50 Consolidators
- 38 Brokers
- 22 Other



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Best Practices Overview

- Best Practices Defined
- The Role of Best Practices in the C-TPAT Program
- Resources available to C-TPAT Partners
- Tier Status
- Examples of Current Best Practices
- Questions/Discussion



Best Practices Defined

- Innovative security measures that exceed the C-TPAT minimum security criteria and industry standards
- Include a high level of management support system of checks and balances, written and verifiable policies and procedures
- Incorporate technology, efficiency, effectiveness
- Serve to enhance the overall security of the international supply chain
- A "best" practice can evolve to become better as improvements are discovered
- Best practices are used to maintain quality as an alternative to mandatory legislated standards and can be based on self-assessment or benchmarking



Best Practices Role

- Method by which C-TPAT partners can gauge the effectiveness of their security programs
- Sharing of best practices allows companies to see how they “measure up” to peers
- Lead to setting new standards and “raising the bar”
- Enhance the security of international supply chains
- A contributing factor in determining Tier status and related benefits (currently in place for importers and moving towards implementation for non-importers)



Best Practices Resources

- 2006 Supply Chain Security Best Practices Catalog
 - Best practices gathered since program's inception until 2006
 - Identified before the implementation of minimum security criteria
- 2009 Best Practices Pamphlet
 - Outstanding examples of best practices identified from 2006 to 2009
- 2009 Best Practices Addendum
 - Collection of new and updated best practices from 2006 to 2009
- 2010 Best Practices Handout
 - Examples of best practices for non-importers identified in 2009



C-TPAT Tier Status

- Company has been successfully vetted
- Partner provided with targeting reductions resulting in fewer discretionary cargo examinations – score reduction dependent on current Tier status
- Expedited cargo processing at the border and/or port
- Currently have 3 Tier levels for importers
 - Tier I = certified – application reviewed and approved
 - Tier II = certified, validated – company visited, confirmed meeting MSC
 - Tier III = certified, exceeding – company above MSC standards



C-TPAT Tier III Status

- Tier III achieved if going above minimum security criteria with minimal to zero recommendations and many best practices
- Continually developing new benefits for Tier III importers – moving towards revalidations every 4 years in 2010
- Tier III is evaluated during each validation – need to maintain Tier III throughout all supply chains – may be reduced back to Tier II if not maintaining uniform standard
- In addition a company may also upgrade on a revalidation – always have ability to reach Tier III



Development of Tier Status

Non-Importer Entities

- Currently only provide Tier levels for importers
- Moving towards developing Tier level system for non-importer entities
- Future meeting with trade community to discuss best practices for each entity/industry
- Once define a base standard and best practices for going above the industry standard then will develop Tier III level for the non-importer environment
- Possible development of benefits for the non-importer environment



Best Practices

Importer

- Risk assessments done by an internal/external party – unbiased and robust
- Bi-annual visits to and yearly audits of all business partners – partner must be meeting MSC standards and if deficiency found must submit action plan for correction – follow up on actions plan/site visit
- Security expert based in all countries import from to ensure all partners in compliance with security and company policies



Best Practices

Foreign Manufacturer

- Unannounced security audits of highway carriers
- Random/unannounced escort of shipment from point of stuffing to final destination
- Clean desk policy – 2 daily patrols by security to ensure all documents, computers, keys, cell phones secured



Best Practices

Highway Carriers

- Wireless panic button in conveyance
- Training exercises – hiding fake bundles/contraband inside conveyance/container to ensure inspection completed
- Site visits – yearly mandatory documented site visits to all business partners to ensure following security procedures/trailer inspection procedures etc.
- Use of range finder or other measuring tools to help perform conveyance inspections
- Highway carrier has ability to shut off engine remotely in event of route deviation/lost contact with driver
- Warning report – driver may fill out and give to CBP Officer if believe something wrong with shipment, or company may fill it out and fax/email to CBP before shipment arrival at border



Best Practices

Highway Carriers

- Designated time spots – driver must report back time at each specific area along route
- Random inspections – upon exiting facility with load will pick a colored ball – if pull red ball go through intensive exam of conveyance, personal belongings, documentation and saliva test for drugs/alcohol
- Risk assessment – ask drivers to take part in determining risk in supply chain based on their route – ideas to achieve greater security



Best Practices

Air Carriers

- Use of color coded seals to assist in integrity of shipments
- Rotation of security guards monitoring CCTVs – prevent eye fatigue, internal conspiracy
- Hotline available 24/7 for incidents, suspicious activity, anonymous



Best Practices

Rail Carriers

- Jump teams/mobile response coordinated to ride with train in “high risk zones”. If train is to sit then will set up perimeter around train
- Fusion center to handle daily Intel/risk analysis for train routes – base heightened security on threat level in region
- Mobile training team to train police (Mexican or Canadian) – perform roving patrols throughout Mexico/Canada



Best Practices

Sea Carriers

- Utilize a CO2 detector to detect human smuggling in containers
- Utilize Optimum Routing Guide (ORG) system – selects best routing for shipment – if shipper requesting different route the system alarms and referred to management
- Use of divers to search bottom of ship in anchorage before in port and after leave port



Best Practices

Broker

- Monthly newsletter – sent to business partners with updates on C-TPAT and security incidents around world
- Webinar training for partner on C-TPAT updates, conveyance inspections, security
- In depth business partner screening – need IRS number, complete C-TPAT security questionnaire, credit references, site visits, all information completed and verified at least three months prior to conducting business



Best Practices

Consolidator

- Photos of containers being loaded kept for two months on hard drive then transferred to disc for infinite amount of time in case of investigation
- Weekly audit of all cargo in facility with cross reference against all documentation
- Visitor/vendor information entered into an electronic system with index fingerprint



Best Practices

Third Party Logistics Provider – 3PL

- Biometric hand reader for employee access
- Maintain own inspections - where assets are rented/leased/contracted maintain own audits/inspections of buildings and conveyances etc.
- Require business partner to supply security information on partners the 3PL not in direct contact with – ensure supply chain secure – meeting C-TPAT criteria



In Summary...

- Continually evolving dependent on terrorist risk, current industry standards and latest available security technology
- Assist other companies in securing the global supply chains against potential compromise
- Catalogs and related publications allow for sharing of information within C-TPAT community, leads to benchmarking/performance measurements process
- C-TPAT remains dedicated to working with business sectors to continually identify and update the best practices and develop Tier system for all entities



QUESTIONS???

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