

ANNEX D – QUOTES FROM MINISTRY OF FINANCE, ACCOUNTING AND CORPORATE REGULATORY AUTHORITY AND SINGAPORE CUSTOMS

“The implementation of UEN will bring about greater convenience to entities, and efficiency for the Government. With UEN, entities will only need to remember one identification number in their interactions with government agencies. To better prepare entities and government agencies for their adoption of UEN, the Government has conducted extensive consultations with various stakeholders. The feedback and support for UEN implementation so far have been positive.”

Phoon Chew Ping (Mrs)
Director (Managing for Excellence), Ministry of Finance (MOF)

"ACRA is pleased to be part of this multi-agency government initiative, aimed at easing interaction with government agencies. The good news is that for 85-percent of the total entities, namely businesses and local companies, there will be no change as their ACRA registration number will be their UEN. For the remaining 15-percent of entities which also include entities under ACRA's purview such as LLPs, foreign companies and public accounting firms, they will be informed ahead of the 1 January 2009 deadline of their UEN to ensure a smooth and seamless transition."

Juthika Ramanathan (Ms)
Chief Executive, Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA)

"UEN will better synergise government agencies through the streamlining of identification and verification processes. This is in line with the iGov2010 Masterplan to create a high performance integrated public sector."

Ms Pauline Tan
Senior Director, Government Chief Information Office, Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore (IDA)

“With this government-wide initiative to implement the UEN, the trading community will be able to use their standard entity identification number to apply for import and export permits, they will no longer require a separate Central Registration (CR) number to do so.”

Fong Yong Kian (Mr)
Director-General, Singapore Customs