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Bring Cargo Uses Descartes for EU Union Customs Code Compliance

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Descartes Systems Group (Nasdaq:DSGX) (TSX:DSG), the global leader in uniting logistics-intensive businesses in commerce, announced that Bring Cargo UK Ltd., a transport and logistics supplier, is using the cloud-based Descartes e-Customs™ solution to help ensure compliance with the European Union's (EU) new Union Customs Code (UCC) legislation that came into effect on May 1, 2016.

"To keep our customers' goods flowing seamlessly, it's critical to keep up with international trade and supply chain process changes driven by programs such as the UCC," said Steve Gorrod, Operations Manager at Bring Cargo. "Descartes is an important partner in the compliance process, helping us to stay current with evolving regulatory requirements."

Descartes e-Customs is a secure, web-based solution that helps shippers and logistics service providers submit data to Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC) and other government agencies from an easy-to-use web interface. The solution streamlines customs compliance workflow with template-driven declarations and the ability to copy and re-use previous declarations and client-specific data. There are also multiple application options available to support the needs of both small and large operations.

Descartes e-Customs has helped Bring Cargo reduce costs by automating and simplifying its end-to-end customs declaration process and minimizing IT infrastructure expenditures through the cloud-based deployment. In addition, it also enables Bring Cargo to remotely resolve problems that can occur when shipping on weekends, a key Bring Cargo service differentiator.

The UCC is an update to customs legislation across the EU. The initiative aims to modernize trade by moving to more electronic formats to standardize customs procedures, synchronize processes across member states, introduce new simplified cross border procedures, provide companies with more clarity on tariff classifications, and reduce paperwork. Descartes' portfolio of European customs compliance solutions helps traders, brokers and forwarders keep pace with changing regulations such as the UCC. More information on the UCC is available at Descartes' online UCC Resource Centre.

To help further UCC preparedness, Descartes is participating at Multimodal 2016, one of the UK and Ireland's premier freight transport, logistics and supply chain management events, taking place May 10-12, 2016, in Birmingham. Martin Meacock, Director of Product Management at Descartes, will be speaking as part of a panel of experts assembled for the EU New Union Customs Code Explained workshop on May 11, 2016, at 10:30 AM GMT. Attendees can also meet with Descartes' domain experts at stand #1308 during exhibit

"We're pleased to help Bring Cargo keep pace with UCC compliance changes, achieve significant savings and offer superior service," said Pol Sweeney, Vice President of UK Sales and Business Management at Descartes. "Customers benefit from the deep customs domain expertise at Descartes and our robust compliance solutions designed to help logistics services providers, like Bring Cargo, keep shipments moving efficiently while keeping pace with ever-changing customs and cargo security requirements."



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