



**U.S. Customs and
Border Protection**

Mr. Kent Vick
Logistics Manager
Samtec, Inc.
520 Park East Blvd.
New Albany, Indiana 47150

Dear Mr. Vick:

On behalf of the United States Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), this letter is to inform you Samtec, Inc.'s status in the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT) program.

On April 9, 2008 Samtec, Inc.'s C-TPAT validation was completed. Your company has currently taken the initiative to implement all of the actions required stated in the validation report. As a result of the improvements in Samtec, Inc.'s supply chain procedures, your company has met the current minimum-security criteria for importers. Therefore, Samtec, Inc. will now be considered Tier Two and receive the tier two level of benefits afforded to C-TPAT members.

C-TPAT membership requires a commitment to continually review and strengthen security measures throughout your international supply chain, and to this end, all members are encouraged to continue to monitor their supply chain security practices and adopt security measures which CBP has identified as "best practices".

Security measures identified as "best practices" by CBP include, but are not limited to requiring the adoption of C-TPAT security measures throughout a company's entire international supply chain. "Best Practices" are currently posted on the C-TPAT Security Link Portal in the C-TPAT Partner Public Documentation Library.



To fully realize the reduced cargo examinations afforded to certified and validated C-TPAT importers, entry must be made to CBP as early in the importation process as possible, and at a minimum of 24 hours prior to the cargo arriving at the first port of entry within the United States. This is necessary so that C-TPAT benefits may be aligned with a C-TPAT members' importer of record number. The importer of record number only becomes known when entry is filed; importer of record numbers are not identified on manifest information. This applies only to cargo imported via ocean transport (sea containers), and not to cargo arriving via other modes of transport.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Supply Chain Security Specialist Kerri Rooney of my staff at (908) 353-6818.

I greatly appreciate Samtec, Inc.'s steadfast support of C-TPAT and I look forward to strengthening our partnership as we work together to secure our nation.

Sincerely,

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for
Bradd M. Skinner
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kent Vick". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kent Vick
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