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To whom it may concern,

This is to confirm that the UPU's Postal Technology Centre has successfully tested an interface between its Customs Declarations System (CDS) and Hurricane Commerce's Zephyr application programming interface (API).

This interface concerns the WCO Harmonized System (HS) codes and customs declaration texts.

CDS will access this interface for the following services:

- Real-time checking of the match between an HS6 code and/or product description for individual mail items;
- Identification of invalid descriptions – identifying a mismatch between an HS6 code and a product description and/or an invalid product description;
- Return of a status code for each mail item;
- Provision of the most likely HS6 code/product description;
- Provision of the top match, plus the other top 10 matches on request;
- Multilingual support.

The Zephyr API is an optional feature in CDS. Any licensed CDS user wishing to subscribe to Zephyr may approach Hurricane.

We are convinced that this third-party interface will enrich CDS for the benefit of our member designated postal operators and assist in the production of good-quality electronic customs declaration information (and the validation of incoming declarations).

We will continue to make enhancements in service features between the respective technologies, on the basis of user requests.

Yours faithfully,

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