

NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

Companies and Intellectual
Property Commission

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WAIVER IN RESPECT OF PENALTY FEES DUE FOR THE LATE FILING OF 2012/2013 ANNUAL RETURNS

The Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) is currently experiencing a high volume of online transactions on its website. As a result of the increased traffic and limited network capacity to handle the in and outgoing traffic, customers have reported experiencing difficulty in accessing online services such as lodgment of annual returns.

In order to accommodate annual return fees submitted after the due dates as stipulated in the Close Corporations Act of 1984, as well as the Companies Act of 2008 due to this problem, the CIPC is hereby waiving the late filing fees and penalties for annual returns on both companies and close corporations.

This waiver for the late filing fees and penalties is applicable ONLY to annual returns which will become due during the period 1 April 2012 until 31 March 2013.

Customers should take note that the previous waiver as indicated in the notice "*Submittance of Annual Returns*" (6 July 2011), is NOT extended by way of this notice.

Therefore, annual returns that became due during the period 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012, **must be lodged on or before 31 March 2012** to qualify for the previous waiver. Annual returns that became due during this period and which are lodged after 31 March 2012, will be subject to payment of the prescribed late filing fees and penalties.

Yours sincerely



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