



## **International Business Assistance Program**

### **Export Assistance**

To assist local Richardson Chamber of Commerce member companies initiate or increase their export business a “concierge” service program” has been created to provide needed export services. Local businesses, organizations and consultants have been selected to participate in the program to “ease’ the process of “going global” for Richardson companies.

### **Types of Services Offered**

The types of services that will be offered will include the following:

- Certificates of Origin
- Seminars on exporting featuring export speakers from:
  - U. S. Department of Commerce
  - U. S. Commercial Service
  - North Texas District Export Council
  - International Trade Center
  - Richardson Chamber of Commerce
  - Import/export consultants
  - Local companies exporting
  - Others
- Legal referrals for IP/Licensing assistance
- International banking (Set up a bank account; letters of credit; credit lines; currency exchanges; export financing, etc.)
- International business consulting services
- Import/export assistance (export licensing etc.)
- Logistics/transportation services
- Translation services
- Specific country/region importation knowledge
- SBA S.C.O.R.E. marketing, sales, business development services
- Overseas business introductions:
  - Local international chambers of commerce referrals
  - Consulates and embassy referrals
  - Overseas trade associations referrals
  - Chamber members with overseas contacts
  - U. S. Commercial Service – Gold Key Matching Program
- Other services as required

### **Foreign Company Assistance – Coming to the U.S. Market**

To help overseas companies establish their business in the U.S. / North America, the Richardson Economic Development Partnership (REDP) has created a unique program providing expert resources to ease critical business startup issues and assist firms in locating to Richardson, Texas.



### **Types of Services Offered**

Resources provided by the Richardson Chamber of Commerce, Chamber members and consultants include:

- Start up check list (provided by REDP)
- Market analysis / business plan review (provided by REDP)
- Legal assistance (incorporation, immigration/visas, intellectual property, etc.)
- International banking (setting up U.S. bank accounts, letters of credit, currency exchanges)
- Inexpensive –short term “Soft Landing” office space (provided by STARTech)
- CPA / accounting assistance (for foreign companies)
- Translation services
- International business consulting
- Import/export assistance (export licensing, compliance)
- Logistics/transportation services
- HR/staffing services
- Public relations/ advertising services
- Country specific importation knowledge
- Relocation services
- Commercial real estate services
- Human resources/ staffing/ recruiting services
- Marketing, business development, management consulting services
- International business consulting
- Other services as required

### **Costs of Services**

The costs of the services listed above may vary based on the level of assistance needed. A quotation for each service offered will be provided by each service provider based on the requesting company’s requirements.