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Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) and Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT)

Dear Business Partner

Thank you for your inquiry regarding information on the Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) and Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT) in connection with Rutronik's supply chain.

Rutronik is aware of the many requirements facing the electronics industry today. As a distributor, Rutronik does not manufacture or have products manufactured.

At the end of January 2013, the mutual recognition of the security programs of the European Union (Authorized Economic Operator, AEO) and the United States of America (Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism, C-TPAT) came into effect. This year (2025), Rutronik received certification according to AEO – C (Customs Simplifications) with the registration number **DE AEOC 200508**.

Goods stored, transported, or delivered by Rutronik are stored, processed, and loaded at secure operating sites and secure transshipment locations. Additionally, these goods are protected from unauthorized access during storage, processing, loading, and transportation, and the personnel employed for these tasks are reliably selected. Furthermore, the transport service providers are informed that they must also take measures to secure the above points.

We ask for your understanding that we are currently unable to answer customer-specific questionnaires and, due to the complexity and continuous development of the topic, as well as the multitude of articles and manufacturers, cannot provide comprehensive confirmations in our name.

If you have any questions, we are happy to assist you and look forward to continued good cooperation.

Thank you for your understanding.

Best regards,
Rutronik IMS / ISMS / Compliance