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HOW SHOULD THE QUALITY CONTROL SERVICE FOR THE LOGISTIC PLATFORM OF BUNDLING AT THE SOURCE BE ORGANIZED?

The question asked in the Research Report was ‘Does it add value to set up a quality control service for a logistical concept such as Bundling at the Source and how could it be organized?’ Based on the findings in the research report the answer would be yes, it does add value to set up a quality control service for a logistical concept such as Bundling at the Source.

Now that the question, if it adds value, is answered and what different types of quality control services there are have been analyzed the next question automatically starts to arise. How should the quality control service be organized to ultimately work within the concept of Bundling at the Source?

The Final Product of my conducted research for my graduation project is an answer to this question, which shall be approached in two ways. First we shall look at all realistic options that Bundling at the Source has to offer a quality control service and which quality control service provider is best to work with for that option. The options shall be presented in a leaflet directed at Bundling at the Source. When all the options have been viewed I will give my personal advice in what the best way is to offer and conduct a quality control service based on the options given and research findings. My advice shall be presented in a leaflet in a way that the service hypothetically already exists and is ready to be offered to the clients of Bundling at the Source.

By presenting the options available as well as my personal advice how the quality control service for Bundling at the Source should be organized I hope to make the first steps toward offering such a service as easy and convenient as possible.
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Bundling at the Source, a Dutch fashion industry initiative, strives to make transport flows more efficient in cost and handling by using serviced warehouses based in Hong Kong and China. Bundling at the Source wants to evaluate the options in offering a quality control service as an added service to the existing logistical services currently offered.

Providing a quality control service can take place in two settings: either in a factory or a warehouse. Please continue to unfold this leaflet to view the options I have come across.

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Most buying companies have the in-factory inspections organized internally or not at all. For Bundling at the Source to offer such a service successfully it would be necessary to offer expertise inspections in cooperation with a quality inspection company. Out of my research two candidates have surfaced, ACCU and AQM.

ACCU works together with Tigers, the logistic forwarder of Bundling at the Source to offer quality inspections within the factories. As this partnership is already set up it would be easy for Bundling at the Source to make use of the services offered.

AQM is an inspection company that specialises only in the garment and textile industry giving them an exceptional expertise in this industry. Besides offering inspection AQM also helps clients to improve their quality management.

To provide a quality inspection in a warehouse Bundling at the Source has two locations to provide this service, in a General warehouse or a Bonded Logistic Park. In a General Warehouse it is pretty straightforward, inspect the goods in a dedicated area called a QC platform, if the goods are defected it is possible to send the goods back to the supplier. This service is already offered in some of the General Warehouses used by Bundling at the Source.

It is another case concerning the Bonded Logistic Park warehouse that is also used by Bundling at the Source. Once the goods are within the Bonded Logistic Park it is not as easy to send the defected goods back. Tigers or AQM can set up a QC platform within the warehouse. Tigers offers a cheaper service that serves more as a supplemental final check. AQM offers an expert service that could comply with all demands set by the client and can be used as a substitute for other inspections.
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BUNDLING AT THE SOURCE
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What is the service offered?

Bundling at the Source offers you that last FINAL CHECK, the one that puts your worries to rest after a long run of production and inspections. Or it saves you from transporting a bundle of defects your way. A PRE-SHIPMENT INSPECTION that is conducted according to the ISO-2859-1 standards for conformity, dimension and quality. After the inspection is completed an inspection report shall be sent to you, the extensity of which shall rely on your demands. Talking about your demands Bundling at the Source is always willing to discuss any wishes or requirements you have regarding our service.

Where is the service offered?

The service is offered at the forewarding WAREHOUSE, this creates an OBJECTIVE inspection environment outside of the factory, free of influences. A QC PLATFORM is set up within the warehouse to create a dust free and clean environment to inspect your goods. This platform will either be stationed in a General Warehouse or a warehouse within a Bonded Logistic Park.

Who conducts the service?

TRAINED QUALITY CONTROL INSPECTORS in service of Tigers conduct the service. Tigers is also the LOGISTIC FORWARDER that operates for Bundling at the Source and has recent experience in offering such a service at their warehouse. Because Tigers offers the quality inspection service as an added service for their clients and does not function as a Quality Inspection Company, Tigers can offer the Pre-Shipment Inspection against a lower price than most. Making the Pre-Shipment Inspection offered by Bundling at the Source an excellent supplement to your pre-existing quality control that takes place in factory and an affordable final check.

Bonded Logistic Park

When conducting the Pre-Shipment Inspection in the Bonded Logistic Park there is a slight difference in comparison to a General Warehouse. A Bonded Logistic Park is limited in the return of defected goods back to China as it is stationed outside of the customs area. In the case of minor defects Bundling at the Source offers the solution to REMAKE the goods. Another option would be to DISPOSE of the defected goods for you.