# A FEASIBILITY STUDY TO IMPLEMENT EDI (ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE) FOR UMW GROUP SHIPPING



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Documentation for imports and exports are voluminous and the process for preparing all these documents will takes time. After preparing the necessary documents, it will be forward to forwarding agents and forwarding agents also must forward to customs for the clearance purposes. Process of handling and preparing documents require more times compared to handling goods itself.

This research looks in the feasibility aspects of introducing EDI (Electronic Data Interchange) for UMW Group Shipping in order to improve the efficiency of staff and it will lead to a better service that will be provided. EDI (Electronic Data Interchange) also will help to reduce many problems that has been face now with current method of operation. The implmentation of EDI also will help to improve communication between UMW Group Shipping and other parties especially customs and forwarding agents.

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