Specification of Competency Standards for the Logistics Industry <u>Unit of Competency</u>

1. Title	Formulate marketing strategy
2. Code	LOCUSM505A
3. Range	This unit of competency is applicable to all sea freight, air freight and express operators. Practitioners should be capable to formulate marketing strategy according to company's operation policies and development direction.
4. Level	5
5. Credit	9 (for reference only)
6. Competency	Performance Requirements
	 Knowledge about marketing strategy Understand the operation, overall market situation and future development of the logistics industry Understand the concept of marketing and master the current situation and future development of the company Understand different types of customers, including their business conditions, future change and development, nature of business, service requirements, and business turnover brought by human relations Understand market competitors, including their business conditions, future change and development, services provided, human relations and market share Master service and product strategies, techniques of market analysis, sales and marketing strategies, public relations techniques, customer behaviour, economics, accounting and financial concepts, etc.

- Master the latest moves and development of sales and marketing
- Understand the business law and ordinances related to sales and marketing
- Master basic marketing elements and concepts, such as promotion, market research, product mix and sales management
- ◆ Understand the interface of logistics and marketing strategies, such as customer service, pricing and image
- Understand different kinds of marketing strategies, such as active / passive; aggressive / defensive, etc.
- 6.2 Formulate marketing strategy
- ◆ Assess the potential risks and benefits of company's development
- ◆ Conduct market research by means of different market research methods, external and internal factors, etc.
- Suggest development strategy for gaining access to new markets, such as investment, franchise and joint venture, etc.
- ◆ Select suitable marketing strategy for the company to develop
- ♦ Select suitable promotional channels
- ◆ List out overall marketing strategy, including clear goals, detailed and comprehensive market research, market-oriented service development, promotional activities, good distribution channels, good management and accurate performance assessment

	◆ Master all the outcomes and information after a promotional campaign has been
	held so as to analyze and formulate marketing strategies in future
	◆ Strengthen the superiority in related areas
	by making use of the interface of
	logistics and marketing strategies, such as customer service and product mix, etc.
	◆ Design promotional plans for existing and
	future services
	♦ Add regional elements
	◆ Design suitable company image for
	promotion, slogan and direction
	◆ Compile reports to illustrate the
	formulation of marketing strategy
7. Assessment Criteria	The integrated outcome requirement of this unit of competency is:
	(i) Capable to conduct market research, and formulate appropriate marketing strategy according to company's operation policies and development direction.
	(ii) Capable to review and analyze the overall market environment so as to develop a systematic sales and marketing approach.
8. Remarks	The state of the s