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## NATIONAL SECURITY INTERESTS IN PERSONAL PROPERTY (NSIPP) REGISTRY

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## **NSIPP** Registry

- Implemented on January 1,2014
- Administered by the Companies Office of Jamaica
- Strictly electronic
- Registry for personal property all property except real property

## Before SIPP Act

 Law allowed only certain types of property to be accepted as collateral for loans. Most personal property was exempt.

 Charges created by companies ( against personal and real property) registrable at COJ in accordance with the Companies Act

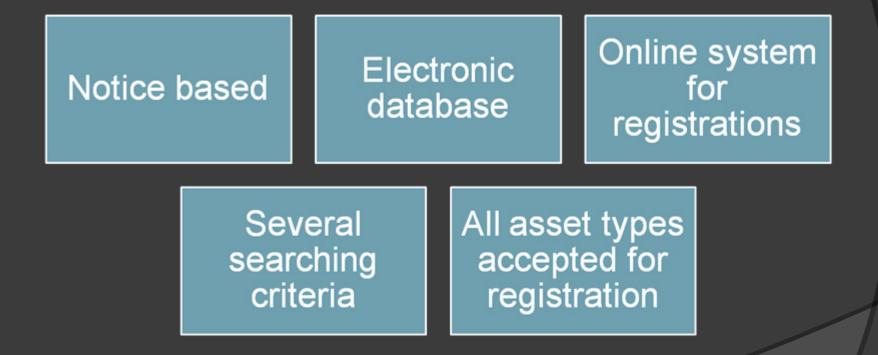
 Charges created by individuals registrable at the Registrar General's Department (RGD).

## NSIPP Registry

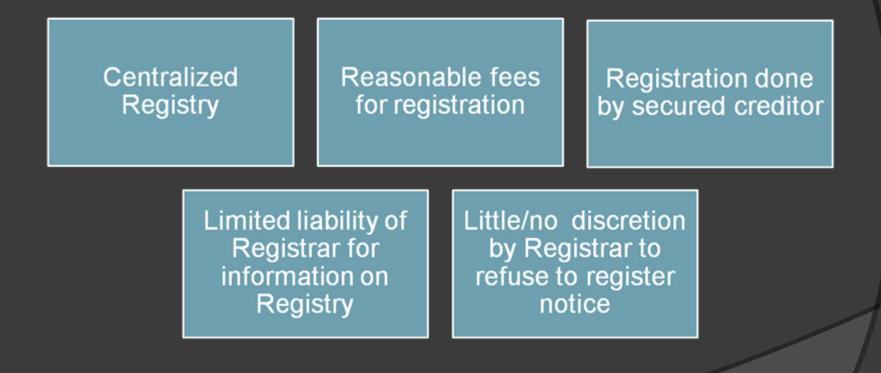
 Registrar of Companies is Registrar of Security Interests

- SIPP Act allows for more types of personal property to be used to secure loans.
- All security interests in personal property registrable on the NSIPP Registry

## Registry Best Practices-features of an efficient SIPP Registry



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## Comparison between Best Practice and NSIPP Registry

- Notice based system
  Yes
- Electronic database
  Yes
- Online system for registration
- Several searching
  Yes criteria available
- All asset types available for registration
- Yes

• Yes

**Best Practice** 

**NSIPP Registry** 

# Comparison between Best Practice and NSIPP Registry

- Centralized Registry
  Yes
- Reasonable fees for
  Yes registration
- Registration done by secured creditor
- Registrar's limited liability for information on the Register
- Little/no discretion to refuse to register a notice

**Best Practice** 

Yes

Yes

• Yes

**NSIPP Registry** 

# NSIPP Registry Statistics- first year of operation

- Number of persons trained to use the Registry =100
- Number of registered subscribers to the Registry= 157
- Number of searches of the Registry undertaken =36036
- Number of notices of security interests registered= 142708 Scotiabank and NCB have registered the most notices

# NSIPP Registry Statistics- first year of operation

 Major types of assets being registered on the Register= motor vehicles, equipment

#### Before and after the SIPP Registry

- Voluminous paper documents submitted for registration on the Charges Registry
- Verification of correctness of documents by the Registrar
- Registration at COJ or RGD

Before the SIPP Registry

Electronic registration

- Instantaneous registration
- Registration in SIPP Registry

With the SIPP Registry

#### Before and after the SIPP Registry

- Registration fee =\$5000
- Search fee = \$500

- Registration turnaround timeline = 5 work days
- Jamaica's rank in WB Doing Business Survey =85

Before the SIPP Registry

- Registration fee= \$1000
- Search fee =\$0
- Registration turnaround timeline= immediate
- Jamaica' s rank in WB Doing Business Survey=58

With the SIPP Registry

#### **NSIPP Registry- Lessons Learned**

 At Christmas no one is interested in secured transactions.

- Legal infrastructure is not enough.
- Cultural differences are important.

#### **NSIPP Registry- Lessons Learned**

- Publicity, public education imperative
- Train, train and train again.
- Off-the-shelf software has drawbacks although it may seem convenient at the outset.

## THANK YOU.

