

**AUTORIDAD DEL CANAL DE PANAMÁ
OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT**

OP'S ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-15-2011

August 5, 2011

TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators
**SUBJECT: PANAMA CANAL LOCKS MAINTENANCE, DREDGING
OPERATIONS AND THE TRANSIT RESERVATION SYSTEM**

Beginning Wednesday, August 10, 2011 at 2000 hours through Thursday, August 11, 2011 at 2200 hours, and beginning Wednesday, August 17, 2011 at 2000 hours through Thursday, August 18, 2011 at 2200 hours, the East lane at Gatun Locks will be out of service. These two 26-hour outages are necessary for the removal and reinstallation of Miter Gates, and other scheduled maintenance work.

In addition, beginning Thursday, August 11, 2011 at 0001 hours through Sunday, August 14, 2011 at 0001 hours, the West lane at Pedro Miguel Locks will not be available for shipping due to dredging work in the proximity of the southwest approach wall of Pedro Miguel Locks.

As a result, and in accordance with the rules governing the Transit Reservation System (OP's Notice to Shipping No. N-7-2010), **Condition 2** will be in effect from Thursday, August 11, 2011 through Saturday, August 13, 2011 (3 days) and on Thursday, August 18, 2011 (one day).

Applications for reserved transits while **Condition 2** is in effect will be received beginning at 0900 hours on Monday, August 8, 2011, and Monday, August 15. The booking slot available through the Auction Process will continue to be offered during this period.

This document is cancelled for record purposes on August 31, 2011.

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