

**AUTORIDAD DEL CANAL DE PANAMÁ  
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENCY FOR OPERATIONS**

**ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-10-2013**

May 8, 2013

**TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators**

**SUBJECT: Monthly Canal Operations Summary – April 2013**

1. Panama Canal Statistical Summary:

a. Transit Pilot Force .....	<u>287</u>
b. Pilots in Training .....	<u>8</u>
c. Tugs .....	<u>37</u>
d. Locomotives .....	<u>100</u>

2. Traffic Statistics:

	<u>Daily Average</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
Arrivals	32.47	50	23
Oceangoing Transits	32.80	38	26
Canal Waters Time (hours)	24.15	33.68	18.67
In-Transit Time (hours)	10.21	12.03	8.80
Oceangoing Transits:	<u>Total</u>	<u>Daily Average</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Vessels of less than 91' beam	333	11.10	33.84
Vessels 91' beam and over	651	21.70	66.16
Total:	984	32.80	100
Vessels 100' beam and over	546	18.23	55.59
Vessels 900' length and over	145	4.83	14.74
Booking Slots:	<u>Available</u>	<u>Used</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Large Vessels (beam 91' and over)	510*	287* <sup>1</sup>	56.27
Regular Vessels (beam less than 91')	240*	123* <sup>1</sup>	51.25
Regular Vessels (up to 300' in length)	0	0	0.00
Auctioned booking slots	2	1	50.00

\*Does not include additional auctioned booking slots

<sup>1</sup> Includes booked transits only

3. The following page provides the scheduled locks maintenance work and other items of interest to the shipping community.

4. This advisory will be canceled for record purposes on May 31, 2013.

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<i>SCHEDULE OF LOCKS MAINTENANCE OUTAGES FOR FY-2013</i>						
<b>Dates</b>	<b>Days/Hrs</b>	<b>Miraflores</b>	<b>Pedro Miguel</b>	<b>Gatun</b>	<b>Estimated Transit Capacity<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Status</b>
January 28, 2013	19 hrs			East Lane	29-31	Completed
January 31, 2013	16 hrs			East Lane	29-31	Completed
February 4, 2013	16 hrs			West Lane	29-31	Completed
February 7, 2013	16 hrs			West Lane	29-31	Completed
May 5-11, 2013	7 days	West Lane			26-28	In progress
June 10-16	7 days	East Lane			26-28	Tentative
July 8-19, 2013	12 days	Centerwall Culvert			30-32	Confirmed
August 19-28, 2013	10 days	Centerwall Culvert			30-32	Confirmed
August 20, 2013	12 hrs			West Lane	32-34	Tentative
August 22, 2013	12 hrs			West Lane	32-34	Tentative
September 17, 2013	12 hrs			West Lane	32-34	Tentative
September 20, 2013	12 hrs			West Lane	32-34	Tentative

<sup>1</sup>The normal transit capacity of the Panama Canal is 38-40 vessels per day, depending on vessel mix and other factors. This capacity is reduced during locks maintenance work, as indicated in the above table. Consequently, vessels may experience delays in transiting. Normally, during these periods, the Panama Canal Transit Reservation System slots are fully utilized. Whenever a set of locks requires a major outage of one of its two lanes for dry chamber inspection, miter gate repairs, tow track work or other major maintenance/improvement projects, advantage may be taken of this requirement to perform simultaneous single lane outages for additional maintenance at other locks.

**2013 Prince of Asturias Award**

The Panama Canal Authority has been nominated for the 2013 Prince of Asturias Award under the International Cooperation category in recognition of its service to the maritime industry, international trade and for being a symbol of peaceful understanding between countries.

The Prince of Asturias Award is an annual prize presented by the Prince of Asturias Foundation to promote and reward scientific, technical, cultural, social and humanitarian work carried out at an international level by individuals, institutions or groups of individuals or institutions.

This nomination coincides with the Fifth Centennial celebration of the Discovery of the Pacific Ocean by Vasco Nunez de Balboa on September 25, 1513, and the upcoming celebration of the 100 years of the Panama Canal in August 2014. The Prince of Asturias Award will be presented in Spain in October 2013.

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