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ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-39-2015

December 22, 2015

TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

SUBJECT: Panama Canal Locks Lane Outage and the Transit Reservation System

Beginning at 0001 hours on Saturday, December 26, 2015, until 1200 hours on Wednesday, December 30, 2015, (4.5 days), the **WEST** lane of Pedro Miguel Locks will be out of service in order to perform scheduled repairs on Miter Gates 56-57, 68-69, and 60-61, as well as maintenance work on the conductor slots and valves. In addition, beginning at 1800 hours on Monday, December 28, 2015, until 1000 hours on Tuesday, December 29, 2015, (16 hours), the **EAST** lane of Gatun Locks will be out of service in order to perform concrete casting in the northeast entrance to repair sub aquatic scour.

As a result, and in accordance with the rules governing the Transit Reservation System (OP's Notice to Shipping No. N-7-2015), **Condition 2** will be in effect from Saturday, December 26, 2015, until Wednesday, December 30, 2015.

Applications for reserved transits while **Condition 2** is in effect will be received beginning at 0900 hours on Wednesday, December 23, 2015. The *Just-in-Time* (JIT) slots available for supers will be reduced during this period to one for each direction, whereas the JIT slots for regular vessels transiting without restrictions will remain at one for each direction. The booking slot available through the auction process, as well as the slots available for regular vessels less than 300 feet in LOA, will continue to be offered during this period.

This document is cancelled for record purposes on December 31, 2015.

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