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TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

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

Beginning at 0001 hours on Wednesday, May 4, 2016, until 2359 hours on Friday, May 6, 2016 (3 days), the **EAST** lane of Miraflores Locks will be out of service in order to perform scheduled dry chamber seals repairs on Miter Gates 100 and 101. Also, beginning at 0001 hours, until 0400 hours on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 (4 hours), and additionally beginning at 0001 hours, until 2359 hours on Thursday, May 5, 2016 (24 hours), the **WEST** lane of Gatun Locks will be out of service in order to perform emergency repairs on Miter Gate 23.

As a result, and in accordance with the rules governing the Transit Reservation System (OP's Notice to Shipping No. N-7-2016), **Condition 2** will be in effect from Wednesday, May 4, 2016, until Friday, May 6, 2016.

Applications for reserved transits while **Condition 2** is in effect will be received beginning at 0900 hours on Sunday, May 1, 2016. The *Just-in-Time* (JIT) transit 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 May 31, 2016.

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