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TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

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

Beginning at 2200 hours on Monday, May 23, 2016, until 2200 hours on Friday, May 27, 2016, (4 days), the **EAST** lane of **Miraflores Locks** will be out of service in order to perform scheduled dry chamber seal repairs on Miter Gates 104-105, 112-113, 116-117, and 120-121.

Also, concurrent outages will take place at Pedro Miguel and Gatun Locks as follows:

- **Pedro Miguel Locks:** Beginning at 2200 hours on Monday, May 23, 2016, until 1000 hours on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, (12 hours), the **WEST** lane of Pedro Miguel Locks will be out of service in order to replace the north tire fender and perform the final drive of Miter Gates 56 and 57.
- **Gatun Locks:** Beginning at 2000 hours, until 2400 hours on Wednesday, May 25, 2016, (4 hours), and beginning at 2000 hours on Thursday, May 26, 2016, until 2000 hours on Friday, May 27, 2016, (24 hours), the **WEST** lane of Gatun Locks will be out of service in order to perform repairs on Miter Gate 24.

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 Tuesday, May 24, 2016, until Friday, May 27, 2016.

Applications for reserved transits while **Condition 2** is in effect will be received beginning at 0900 hours on Saturday, May 21, 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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