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EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENCY FOR OPERATIONS

ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-38-2016

July 8, 2016

TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

SUBJECT: Monthly Canal Operations Summary – JUNE 2016

1. Panama Canal Statistical Summary:

a. Transit Pilot Force	<u>280</u>
b. Pilots in Training	<u>0</u>
c. Tugs	<u>46</u>
d. Locomotives	<u>100</u>

2. Traffic Statistics:

	<u>Daily Average</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>
Arrivals	<u>28.00</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>16</u>
Oceangoing Transits	<u>28.10</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>24</u>
Canal Waters Time (hours)	<u>22.88</u>	<u>33.87</u>	<u>16.11</u>
In-Transit Time (hours)	<u>10.35</u>	<u>14.06</u>	<u>8.43</u>
Oceangoing Transits:	<u>Total</u>	<u>Daily Average</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Vessels of less than 91' beam	<u>184</u>	<u>6.13</u>	<u>22.04</u>
Vessels 91' beam and over	<u>651</u>	<u>21.70</u>	<u>77.99</u>
Total:	<u>843</u>	<u>28.10</u>	<u>100.00</u>
Vessels 100' beam and over	<u>540</u>	<u>18.00</u>	<u>64.67</u>
Vessels 900' length and over	<u>114</u>	<u>3.80</u>	<u>13.65</u>
Booking Slots:	<u>Available</u>	<u>Used</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
**Neopanamax Vessels (beam 107' and over)	<u>17</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>47.06</u>
Large Vessels (beam 91' and over)	<u>506*</u>	<u>410*¹</u>	<u>79.25</u>
Regular Vessels (beam less than 91')	<u>238*</u>	<u>120*¹</u>	<u>50.42</u>
Regular Vessels (up to 300' in length)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Auctioned booking slots	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>20.00</u>

*Does not include additional auctioned booking slots

¹ Includes booked transits only

**Beginning 26-jun-2016

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 July 31, 2016.

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SCHEDULE OF LOCKS MAINTENANCE OUTAGES							
Dates	Days/Hrs	Miraflores	Pedro Miguel	Gatun	Estimated Capacity	Expected Booking Condition	Status
3-5 August 2016	3 days	West Lane*			22-24+	2	Tentative
23-26 August 2016	4 Days	West Lane*		East Lane **	22-24+	2	Tentative
21-23 Sept. 2016	3 Days			West Lane *	22-24+	2	Tentative

The normal transit capacity of the Panama Canal is 35-37 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. When the Panama Canal's capacity is expected to be reduced, a corresponding reduction in the number of available reserved transit slots may be ordered by the Canal Authority. 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 to perform simultaneous single lane outages at other locks.

* In order to perform scheduled dry chamber works.

** In this simultaneous work there are only 3 days required for Gatun.

+The estimated capacity referred here is for the panamax locks. The total capacity of the Canal is expected to be greater once the neopanamax locks are in operation

LPG Tanker Transits Expanded Panama Canal

NYK LYCASTE PEACE is the second commercial transit of the newly Expanded Canal and the first LPG tanker through the waterway.

The liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) tanker LYCASTE PEACE, owned by Japanese shipping company Nippon Yusen Kaisha (NYK Line), transited the Expanded Panama Canal, on June 27, 2016, marking the first commercial passage of an LPG vessel through the new locks, the day after its inauguration.

Originating from Houston, Texas, the LYCASTE PEACE is en route to the Port of Hitachi, Japan. The LPG tanker measures 230 meters in length and 37 meters in beam, and was the first of over 170 reservations the Panama Canal has received for transit through the Expanded Canal.

The LYCASTE PEACE was the first vessel to pass through the new locks following the inaugural transit of the M/V COSCO SHIPPING PANAMA on June 26, during the ceremony where tens of thousands of Panamanians, Canal workers, foreign dignitaries, maritime executives and other esteemed guests gathered to celebrate this historic event.

In addition, the LPG tanker PASSAT, owned by Avance Gas, also transited on June 27, as the second vessel through the new locks. This vessel measures 226 meters in length and 37 meters in beam.