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TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

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

Beginning at 2100 hours on Monday, August 22, 2016, until 2100 hours on Friday, August 26, 2016 (4 days), the **WEST** lane of **Miraflores Locks** will be out of service in order to perform scheduled dry chamber seal repairs on Miter Gates 106-107, 114-115, 118-119, and 122-123. In addition, beginning at 2100 hours on Tuesday, August 23, 2016, until 0900 hours on Friday, August 26, 2016 (2.5 days), the **EAST** lane of **Gatun Locks** will be out of service in order to perform scheduled dry chamber seal repairs on Miter Gates 33 and 34.

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** for the Panamax locks will be in effect from Tuesday, August 23, 2016, until Friday, August 26, 2016.

Applications for reserved transits while **Condition 2** is in effect will be received beginning at 0900 hours on Saturday, August 20, 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, and the slots for Neopanamax vessels, will continue to be offered during this period.

This document is cancelled for record purposes on August 31, 2016.

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