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VICE PRESIDENCY FOR TRANSIT BUSINESS

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ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-32-2019

August 21, 2019

TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

SUBJECT: Scheduled Culvert Maintenance at Gatun Locks

Beginning at **0600 hours on Monday, August 26, 2019, until 0600 hours on Friday, September 6, 2019 (10 days)**, the **center wall** culvert of Gatun Locks will be out of service for scheduled maintenance. During this culvert outage, both lanes will remain in service, but due to the slower filling and emptying of the chambers, lockages are expected to take longer than usual.

As a result, and in accordance with the rules governing the Transit Reservation System (NT Notice to Shipping No. N-7-2019), **Condition 1.a** for the Panamax locks will be in effect from **Monday, August 26, 2019 to Thursday, September 5, 2019**.

Applications for reserved transits while **Condition 1.a** is in effect will be received beginning at 0900 hours on **Friday, August 23, 2019**. The *Just-In-Time* (JIT) transit slots available for supers will be reduced to one for each direction while **Condition 1.a** is in effect, 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 September 30, 2019.

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