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**ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-18-2018**

May 24, 2018

**TO** : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

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

Beginning at 0001 hours on Tuesday, May 29, 2018, until 2359 hours on Friday, June 1, 2018 (4 days), the **West** lane of Pedro Miguel Locks will be out of service in order to perform dry chamber maintenance work on Miter Gate 64. In addition, from 0700 to 2359 on Wednesday, May 30, 2018 (17 hours), the **East** lane of Miraflores Locks will be out of service in order to replace the hydraulic arm on Miter Gate 105.

As a result, and in accordance with the rules governing the Transit Reservation System (OP's Notice to Shipping No. N-7-2018), **Condition 2** for the Panamax locks will be in effect from Tuesday, May 29, 2018 through Friday, June 1, 2018.

Applications for reserved transits while **Condition 2** is in effect will be received beginning at 0900 hours on Saturday, May 26, 2018. The *Just-In-Time* (JIT) transit slots available for supers will be reduced during this date to one per direction, whereas the JIT slots for regular vessels transiting without restrictions will remain at one per 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 June 30, 2018.

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