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TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

SUBJECT: Fourth Update of the Maximum Authorized Draft for the Neopanamax Locks

Based on the present and projected levels of Gatun Lake for the following weeks, the Panama Canal Authority (ACP) announces that, effective **April 10, 2019**, the Maximum Authorized Draft for vessels transiting the Neopanamax locks will be **13.72 meters (45.0 feet) Tropical Fresh Water (TFW)**.

Vessels arriving after April 10, 2019, with drafts over 13.72 meters (45.0 feet) TFW may be allowed to transit, depending on the actual level of Gatun Lake at the time of transit. Otherwise, they will be required to trim or off-load cargo in order to be allowed to transit.

Draft adjustments will be announced in 12-inch (30.5 cm) decrements, generally with at least four weeks advanced notice.

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