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TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators
SUBJECT: Sixth Update of the Maximum Authorized Draft for Vessels Transiting the Panama Canal

Based on the present and projected level of Gatun Lake for the following weeks, the Panama Canal Authority (ACP) announces that, effective **May 28, 2019**, the Maximum Authorized Draft for vessels transiting the **Neopanamax** locks will be **13.11 meters (43.0 feet) Tropical Fresh Water (TFW)**.

Similarly, the Maximum Authorized Draft for vessels transiting the **Panamax** locks will be **11.73 meters (38.5 feet) Tropical Fresh Water (TFW)**.

Vessels arriving after May 28, 2019, with drafts over the above-mentioned maximum drafts 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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