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TO: CUSTOMER AND STEAMSHIP AGENTS

SUBJECT: EDCS MIGRATION

1. A new EDCS version will be migrated on July 21, 2008. This new version required a 90 minutes outage to migrate. We will notify you on Monday the time of this Outage.

The new version contains the following changes:

- A new field called VOYAGE NUMBER in the ETA/SHIP DUE Modules, as optional.
- The process of booked vessels CHANGE DATE.
- The process for Booking SUBSTITUTION.
- The process to SWAP Booked Vessels.
- An additional option to submit Cargo Declaration for FULL CONTAINER VESSELS - BAPLIE FILES through EDCS-CIG and EDCS-WEB.

2. Even though, the options to Change Date, substitution and/or swap are available for Local Steamship Agents, please maintain your current procedure to notify the ACP Booking Office before submitting any of these processes, as specified in the ACP Notice to Shipping N-7-2008.

3. All those interested to submit BAPLIE Files (either through CIG or WEB), please send your request to the following e-mail in order to begin your testing in our accreditation environment:

EDCS-CIG@pancanal.com

Note: The EDCS (CIG or WEB) will validate specific requirements in order to accept a BAPLIE FILE data into a vessel's visit. Therefore, we encourage you to initiate the above mentioned testing if you plan to use this additional cargo declaration submission.

4. A MyEDCS Version is also available. This version includes the additional optional field called "Voyage Number" in the ETA/Ship Due Modules.

5. Please find on this site User's Guides for all these new options.

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