

Notice to Navigation Interests

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Notice No. 05-8 Date: April 19, 2005

<u>Installation of Flashboards</u> Lock & Dam 9, Allegheny River, Mile 62.2

- 1. **TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:** Sithe Hydro Operations plan to install the temporary flashboard system, river conditions permitting, on Dam 9, Allegheny River between the hours of 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM daily beginning May 2, 2005 with the anticipated completion date of May 6, 2005.
- 2. In association with this work, the upper pool will be temporarily drawn down by the hydropower project approximately to elevation 821.7 to permit installation of steel bars and timber boards across the crest of the dam. This elevation equates to an upper pool gage reading of 8.5 or a water level at 0.5 feet below the crest of the dam. This will result in a total change of approximately 1-foot below the pool level.
- 3. Navigators are cautioned to travel within the limits of the navigation channel during this temporary lowering of the upper pool. In addition marina owners and owners of private docking facilities upstream of the dam may be temporarily affected by this work and the associated pool draw down.
- 4. The temporary flashboard system is being installed to increase the upper pool elevation to obtain pre-hydro project conditions. The temporary flashboard system will consist of 2" X 15" oak timbers secured to the crest of the dam using steel bars and U-bolts. The flashboard will be installed and maintained by Sithe Hydro Operations until November 1, 2005.

FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER:

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Richard C. Lockwood Chief, Operations Division