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MR'S ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-24-2002

TO : ALL STEAMSHIP AGENTS, OWNERS, AND OPERATORS

SUBJECT: LOCKS LANE OUTAGE

Beginning Monday, August 12, 2002 at 0001 hours through Thursday, August 22, 2002 at 2359 hours (11 days), the EAST lane of Gatun Locks will be out of service. Relay operations will be conducted on the WEST lane.

The closing of the East lane of Gatun Locks is necessary in order to replace 1,317 linear feet of tow track at the north approach wall; perform hydraulic conversion of four (4) miter gates; conduct preparation work for the removal of miter gates; maintenance of locomotive conductor slot, as well as other miscellaneous work.

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