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MR'S ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-52-2003

TO: All Steamship Agents, Owners, and Operators

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION REPLIES TO ETA MESSAGES

Please be reminded that pursuant to MR's Advisory to Shipping No. A-17-2003, paragraph 4, published on June 27, 2003, pre-arrival notifications that are forwarded via e-mail or fax must contain all required information in accordance with ACP Form 4376 – "SHIP DUE", available at http://www.pancanal.com/eng/maritime/forms.html.

The Panama Canal Authority exchange server has now been configured to automatically send confirmation replies to ETA pre-arrival messages received at eta@pancanal.com, provided such messages include the words "ETA" or "SHIP DUE" in the subject line.

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