

AUTORIDAD DEL CANAL DE PANAMÁ

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August 11, 2005

MR'S ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-26-2005

TO : All Steamship Agents, Owners, and Operators

SUBJECT: LOCKS LANE OUTAGE AND PANAMA CANAL AUTHORITY

TRANSIT RESERVATION SYSTEM

MIRAFLORES LOCKS:

Tuesday, August 16, 2005, from 1800 hours through Saturday, August 20, 2005, at 1400 hours (4 days), the EAST lane will be out of service. Relay operations will be conducted on the West lane. Vessels will be permitted to tie up at the northeast centerwall.

The **EAST** lane will be closed in order to perform necessary dry chamber work, maintenance work on Miter Gates 108 and 109, inspection and cleaning of conductor slot, and other miscellaneous work.

GATUN LOCKS:

Wednesday, August 17, 2005, from 0001 hours through Saturday, August 20, 2005, at 2359 hours (4 days), the EAST lane will be out of service. Relay operations will be conducted on the West lane.

The **EAST** lane will be closed in order to perform rehabilitation work on 763 feet of tow track of the southeast centerwall, cleaning of conductor slot, diving operations and other miscellaneous work.

TRANSIT RESERVATION SYSTEM:

Due to these lane outages, based on present and projected number of vessels awaiting Canal transit, and in accordance with the rules governing the Transit Reservation System (MR's Notice to Shipping No. N-7-2005), **Condition 2** will be in effect at 0001 hours, August 17, 2005. Applications for reserved transits under that condition will be received commencing 0900 hours, Saturday, August 14, 2005.

This document is cancelled for record purposes on August 31, 2005.

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