

April 27, 2007

MR'S ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-06-2007

TO : All Steamship Agents, Owners, and Operators

**SUBJECT: LOCKS LANE OUTAGE AND PANAMA CANAL AUTHORITY
TRANSIT RESERVATION SYSTEM**

Beginning Thursday, May 3, 2007, at 1800 hours through Saturday, May 5, 2007, at 0600 hours (**36 hours**), the **WEST** lane of **Gatun Locks** will be out of service. Relay operations will be conducted in the **EAST** lane. Closing the West lane of Gatun Locks is necessary in order to perform repairs on the seals of Miter Gate 15.

As a result of this work and pursuant to the rules governing the Transit Reservation System (MR's Notice to Shipping No. N-7-2007), a reduction in the number of available booking slots will be in effect during this period, as follows:

- From 0001 hours through 2359 hours on **May 3, 2007, Condition 1.a** will be in effect;
- From 0001 hours through 2359 hours on **May 4, 2007, Condition 2** will be in effect;
- From 0001 hours through 2359 hours on **May 5, 2007, Condition 1.a** will be in effect.

The number of slots per direction and restriction during **Condition 1.a** will be limited as follows:

- No more than eight (8) supers may be booked for transit in the southbound direction, and of these, no more than six (6) with "full daylight-hour" restriction. Similarly, no more than seven (7) supers may be booked for transit in the northbound direction, and of these, no more than five (5) with "full daylight-hour" restriction.
- The total number of "full daylight-hour" restricted supers shall not exceed eight (8) vessels per day.
- No more than four (4) regular vessels may be booked for transit in the same direction.
- Of the six slots available for regular vessels, no more than two (2) may be allocated to regular vessels transiting under restrictions.

Applications for reserved transits under these conditions will be received commencing 0900 hours April 30, 2007. The booking slot available through the Auction Process will continue to be offered during this period.

This document is cancelled for record purposes on May 31, 2007.

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