

August 9, 2007

**MR'S ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-18-2007**

**TO :** All Steamship Agents, Owners, and Operators

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

Beginning Wednesday, August 15, 2007, at 0001 hours through Friday, August 24, 2007, at 2359 hours (**10 days**), there will be restricted lockages in the **WEST** lane of **Miraflores Locks**. Relay operations will be conducted in the **EAST** lane. These restricted lockages are necessary in order to perform tow track repairs on the centerwall close to Miter Gates 114 and 118.

In addition, beginning Wednesday, August 15, 2007, at 0001 hours through Friday, August 17, 2007, at 2359 hours (**3 days**), the **EAST** lane of **Pedro Miguel Locks** will be out of service. Closing the East lane of Pedro Miguel Locks is necessary in order to perform dry chamber work on Miter Gates 50 and 51.

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 on **August 15, 2007** through 2359 hours on **August 17, 2007**, **Condition 2** will be in effect;
- From 0001 hours on **August 18, 2007** through 2359 hours on **August 24, 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 August 12, 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 August 31, 2007.

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