

February 11, 2008

**OP'S ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-06-2008**

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

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

Beginning Friday, February 15, 2008, at 1800 hours through Saturday, February 16, 2008, at 0600 hours, the **WEST** lane of Gatun Locks will be out of service. Relay operations will be conducted on the **EAST** lane. Closing the West lane of Gatun Locks is necessary in order to perform repairs on Miter Gate 28.

As a result of this work, and pursuant to the rules governing the Transit Reservation System [OP's Notice to Shipping No. N-7-2008 (Rev. 1)], a reduction in the number of available booking slots will be in effect during this period, as follows:

From 0001 hours on **February 15, 2008** through 2359 hours on **February 16, 2008**, the following will be in effect.

- Fifteen (15) slots for supers and eight (8) slots for regulars will be offered during this period.

The number of slots per direction and restriction will be limited as follows:

- No more than nine (9) supers may be booked for transit in the southbound direction, and of these, no more than seven (7) with "full daylight-hour" restriction. Similarly, no more than eight (8) supers may be booked for transit in the northbound direction, and of these, no more than six (6) with "full daylight-hour" restriction.
- The total number of "full daylight-hour" restricted supers shall not exceed ten (10) vessels per day.
- No more than five (5) regular vessels may be booked for transit in the same direction.
- Of the total number of 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 February 12, 2008. The booking slot available through the Auction Process, as well as the slots available for vessels less than 300 feet in length, will continue to be offered during this period.

This document is cancelled for record purposes on February 29, 2008.

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