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OP'S ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-21-2010

TO : All Steamship Agents, Owners, and Operators

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW PANAMA CANAL PRICING STRUCTURE

As announced in Advisory to Shipping No. A-13-2010, a new Panama Canal pricing structure will be effective January 1, 2011. Under this new structure, tolls for full container vessels will consist of a fixed portion based on the Total TEU Allowance (TTA), and a variable portion based on the Total Loaded TEU (TTL). The variable portion will be determined from the TTL information contained in the BAPLIE (Bayplan/stowage plan occupied and empty locations message); therefore, the BAPLIE shall reflect the cargo condition of the vessel after the last cargo operation.

Full container vessels docking at the ports of Rodman, Balboa, Cristobal, or Manzanillo prior to transit, shall submit their BAPLIE after cargo operations are completed, but before arrival to the last set of locks. An updated Cargo declaration (CAD) shall be submitted by these vessels when transiting in ballast condition, prior to the arrival to the last set of locks. Vessels docking at the Port of Manzanillo, shall report to Cristobal Signal Station their departure time from Manzanillo prior to transit.

BAPLIE is a standard United Nations (UN) message used to transmit information about equipment and goods on a means of transport, including their location on the means of transport; the message uses standard UN port and container size codes. The new pricing structure will apply the ISO container height codes (6346:1984 or 1995 version) as follows:

- 8.5 feet or less = 8.5 feet
- Greater than 8.5 feet = 9.5 feet

Full container vessels that fail to submit their BAPLIE as required will be considered non-compliant, and the variable portion of the tolls will be calculated using the vessel's TTA.

Vessels unable to submit their BAPLIE within the required time for reasons beyond their control, or the last port that conducted cargo operations and generated the submitted BAPLIE is not the last port of call prior to transit, are required to submit a justification to OPTC-A@pancanal.com. The ACP reserves the right to verify the data contained in the BAPLIE.

For additional information, please refer to Advisory to Shipping No. A-09-2010. Inquiries may be addressed to babel@pancanal.com. For EDCS support, call 272-2222 or send your request to support@pancanal.com.

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