

## AUTORIDAD DEL CANAL DE PANAMÁ OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

## OP'S ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-11-2012

June 6, 2012

TO : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

SUBJECT: PANAMA CANAL LOCKS MAINTENANCE AND THE TRANSIT

**RESERVATION SYSTEM** 

Beginning Sunday, June 10, 2012 at 2000, through Monday, June 18, 2012, at 0500, the WEST lane at Gatun Locks will be out of service for repairs to rising stem valves in the upper sidewall culvert and middle and upper level chambers miter gates sills.

In addition, beginning Monday, June 11, 2012, through Thursday, June 14, 2012, there will be a lane outage each day from 0700 to 1800 due to the replacement of yoke bushings on Miter Gates 120, 121, 122 and 123 (one Miter Gate on each day).

As a result, and in accordance with the rules governing the Transit Reservation System (OP's Notice to Shipping No. N-7-2012), **Condition 2** will be in effect from Monday, June 11, 2012, through Sunday, June 17, 2012.

Applications for reserved transits while **Condition 2** is in effect will be received beginning at 0900 hours on June 08, 2012. During this period in addition to booking slots regularly offered for **Condition 2**, the booking slot available through the Auction Process and the slots available for vessels less than 300 feet in length, will be continue to be offered.

This document is cancelled for record purposes on June 30, 2012.

## **ORIGINAL SIGNED**

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