

# AUTORIDAD DEL CANAL DE PANAMÁ OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

#### ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-18-2012

July 27, 2012

#### **TO** : All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

### SUBJECT: UNSCHEDULED PANAMA CANAL LOCKS LANE OUTAGE

Beginning Monday, August 20, 2012, at 1900 hours through Saturday, August 25, 2012, at 0500 hours, the **EAST lane** at Gatun Locks will be out of service for repairs to the sill of Miter Gates 21 and 22, and rehabilitation and maintenance of rising stem valve nos. 238, 239, 244 and 245.

As a result, and pursuant to the rules governing the Transit Reservation System (OP's Notice to Shipping No. N-7-2012), **Condition 2** will be in effect from Tuesday, August 21, 2012 through Friday, August 24, 2012.

Applications for reserved transits under **Condition 2** will be received commencing at 0900 hours, August 18, 2012. During this period the booking slots available through the Auction Process, as well as the slots available for regular vessels less than 300 feet in length, will continue to be offered in addition to the regularly offered slots.

This document is cancelled for record purposes on August 31, 2012.

## **ORIGINAL SIGNED**

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