

## AUTORIDAD DEL CANAL DE PANAMÁ OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

## ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-23-2012

September 5, 2012

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

SUBJECT: Vessel Information - Enhanced Vessel Traffic Management System (EVTMS)

The Panama Canal Authority (ACP) is committed to offering quality service with great emphasis to the needs of the maritime community. Therefore, responding to the comments we have received, we are pleased to announce the following changes to the EVTMS access tariffs, which will become effective October 1, 2012:

• Access to the EVTMS: Annual charge (for up to 10 concurrent users)	\$2,000.00
• Access to the Vessel Arrival Report: Annual charge for one (1) user	\$1,000.00
• Additional user	\$500.00

Please note that the annual charge must be paid in advance. In addition, a deposit equivalent to 100% of the annual charge is required for new and existing clients. This deposit will be for the duration of the contract.

The ACP reserves the right to make inquiries and or investigate the use of the information being provided in order to determine if its use is appropriate and not detrimental to the ACP's interest. The users are expected to fully comply with these inquires and failure to do so may result in denial of access or cancellation of the service.

The ACP reserves the right to modify the content of the information being provided when it determines appropriate to do so.

All customers with active EVTMS contracts are required to coordinate with <u>op-</u> <u>information@pancanal.com</u> for a new contract, no later than September 15, 2012, and arrange payment based on the new tariffs prior to October 1, 2012.

We are confident you will find these changes to be highly beneficial and that they will allow us to better serve our clients.

## **ORIGINAL SIGNED**

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