

Panama Canal Authority Vice Presidency for Operations

Advisory to Shipping No. A-06-2021

January 22, 2021

TO: All Shipping Agents, Owners, and Operators

SUBJECT: Modification to the Transit Reservation (Booking) System for Neopanamax Vessels

The Panama Canal Authority (ACP) announces the following changes to Advisory A-43-2020 regarding the assignment of slots that become available during Booking Period 3 for Neopanamax vessels.

Effective January 23, 2021, any slot that becomes available from 96 hours prior to the booking date to the closing of Period 3 for that particular date due to cancellations, changes in date, early transit of booked vessels, or any other reason, will be offered through an auction process; provided that all the slots for Neopanamax vessels, except the "conditioned slot" offered in the 2nd booking period, have been awarded.

The ACP will notify vessel agents, generally with one day advance notice, when there is a possibility of a slot becoming available to be auctioned.

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