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**AUTORIDAD DEL CANAL DE PANAMÁ**  
VICE PRESIDENCY FOR TRANSIT BUSINESS

**ADVISORY TO SHIPPING No. A-19-2019**

June 7, 2019

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

**SUBJECT:** Update of the Maximum Authorized Draft for Vessels Transiting the Panama Canal

Recent rainfall in the Panama Canal watershed during the past week has allowed the Panama Canal Authority (ACP) to postpone the effective date of the sixth draft update as published in Advisories to Shipping A-13-2019 and A-15-2019.

Therefore, the maximum authorized draft of **13.11 m (43.0 feet)** Tropical Fresh Water (TFW) for vessels transiting the Neopanamax locks and **11.73 m (38.5 feet)** TFW for vessels transiting the Panamax locks will become effective **June 19, 2019** instead of June 12, 2019.

The maximum authorized draft allowed of **13.41 m (44.0 feet)** TFW for vessels transiting the Neopanamax locks and **12.04m (39.5 feet)** TFW for vessels transiting the Panamax locks will remain in effect until June 18, 2019.

We will continue to monitor the level of Gatun Lake and announce future draft adjustments in a timely manner.

**ORIGINAL SIGNED**

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