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NOTICE TO NAVIGATION INTERESTS

DATE: 01/10/2017

POC: Technical Services
Branch
313-226-4549

NOTICE NUMBER: 7294

LOCAL NUMBER: L17-01
WATERWAY: ST. MARYS RIVER

EFFECTIVE: 01/10/2017 00:00 thru
01/15/2017 23:59 EDT

OPERATIONAL STATUS AND LOCK CLOSINGS
ST. MARYS FALLS CANAL

1. The Poe Lock will remain operational (on a 24-hour basis) through 15 January 2017 or until commercial traffic ceases, whichever occurs first.

2. Operators of vessels that will be transiting the locks during the January lock operational period will keep the Area Engineer advised of their schedules via email at Kevin.E.Sprague@usace.army.mil.

3. The following is the CFR rule for determining the closing date of the Soo Locks:

Closing date. The locks will be maintained in operation only for the passage of down bound vessels departing from a Lake Superior port before midnight (2400 hours) of January 14, and of upbound vessels passing Detour before midnight (2400 hours) of January 15. Vessel owners are requested to report in advance to the Engineer in charge at Sault Ste. Marie, the name of vessel and time of departure from a Lake Superior port on January 14 before midnight, and of vessels passing Detour on January 15 before midnight, which may necessitate the continued operation of a lock to permit passage of vessel.

4. Questions regarding this notice may be directed to the Soo Area Engineer, Mr. Kevin Sprague at 906-635-3464. Our internet address is: <http://www.lre.usace.army.mil/Missions/Operations.aspx>

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