



The Great Lakes - St. Lawrence Seaway System
Le réseau Grands Lacs - Voie maritime du Saint-Laurent

SEAWAY NOTICE NO. 8 - 2007

Maximum Permissible Draft – Montreal to Lake Ontario

Mariners are advised that due to low water supplies and consequently the low and declining river outflows, low water levels exist on Lake St-Louis and in particular in the area immediately above Cote Ste Catherine Lock to the western end of Cote Ste Catherine wharf. In spite of the measures imposed since August 13, 2007, the water levels continue to decline and are forecasted to do so in the next weeks. Consequently, the **maximum permissible draft will be reduced to 80.0 dm (26'-3'') effective September 1, 2007** until further notice. Given the approximately 15 cm normal variation of in the water levels above the lock, vessels loaded to a draft of 78.5 dm or greater are to transit this area at the slowest safe speed. Conditions will continue to be monitored closely and mariners will be advised of any changes accordingly.

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