

2018 - NOTICE TO SHIPPING #24

MAISONNEUVE REGION MONTREAL / LAKE ONTARIO SECTION

HFM Use at Eisenhower Lock

Eisenhower Lock will soon begin use of the Hands Free Mooring (HFM) equipment as part of the standard lockage process. During the initial phase of HFM use, vessels will continue to deploy all required mooring lines. Mooring lines and HFM units will be used together throughout the lockage. It is important for Masters/Pilots to ensure lines are kept slacked so as not to interfere with the effectiveness and/or cause damage to the HFM units.

The number of required mooring lines will be reduced as the confidence of SLSDC staff and of the mariners in the HFM system increases.

If for any reason the HFM system will not be used, SLSDC staff will revert to using traditional tie up procedures.

Vessels will be advised on the use of the HFM units and the number of required mooring lines at Eisenhower Lock once the vessel is at CIP 10 (Bradford) for down bound vessels and prior to departure from Snell Lock for upbound vessels.

Maisonneuve Region September 21, 2018