2012 - NOTICE TO SHIPPING #2

NIAGARA REGION
WELLAND CANAL

HOLDING POSITION – ‘HEAD OF THE LOCK’

Mariners are advised that when a vessel is dispatched to hold at the ‘Head of the Lock’ for any reason except to conduct passing entries, masters are to ensure that the bow of the vessel does not pass the ‘Holding Position’ (checkerboard sign) just outside the lock chamber.

Masters on vessels holding in the lock to conduct passing entries must ensure that the stern of the vessel does not clear the lock chamber until such time as agreement has been reached with the vessel approaching the lock to do so.

Masters on vessels holding in Lock 4 down bound or Lock 6 up bound, must hold at the ‘Head of the lock’ until the stern of the inbound vessel is within the bullnose.

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