



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

2008 - NOTICE TO SHIPPING # 1

**MAISONNEUVE REGION
MONTREAL / LAKE ONTARIO SECTION**

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS TESTING - SLSDC

The U.S. Seaway (SLSDC) will conduct radio communications testing on channel 12 for the 2008 navigation season for the U.S. Seaway Sector IV – Lake Ontario and River (Mid-Lake Ontario through Cross Over Island).

This testing is meant to improve radio communications with ship traffic and enhance navigation and listening watch. Currently, the U.S. Seaway utilizes channel 13, which also services the New York State Barge Canal traffic. This barge canal traffic interferes with Seaway radio communications and it is the intent of the Seaway to change our assigned frequency to channel 12 if radio communication tests are successful.

The U.S. Seaway will maintain one radio on channel 13 for listening watch and will request traffic to switch to channel 12 for continued communications.

| 2008 Radio Channels for Communication | | | | | |
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| Station | Sector | Sector Limits | Call In | Working | Listening Watch |
| Seaway Sodus | IV | Mid Lake Ontario to Cape Vincent | Ch.12 156.6MHz | Ch.12 | Ch.12 |
| Seaway Clayton | IV | Cape Vincent to Crossover Island | Ch.12 156.6MHz | Ch.12 | Ch.12 |

If you have any concerns or comments throughout the test period, please contact the Operations Supervisor at 315-764-3292 or vtc@sls.dot.gov.

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