



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

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**SEAWAY NOTICE #9 – 2023**

**NOTIFICATION TO ALL VESSELS**

The collective agreements with St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation unionized employees expired on March 31, 2023.

Negotiations have been ongoing and will continue with the assistance of a federal government mediator. The Corporation remains confident that a satisfactory resolution can be reached.

The Unions will be in a position to provide 72-hours' notice of strike as early as October 18<sup>th</sup>. This means navigation could potentially be impacted as of October 21<sup>st</sup>.

In the meantime, the Corporation has prepared a contingency plan to ensure an orderly shutdown of navigation in the event of a work interruption. We will keep you advised of developments as events warrant.

Should an upbound ship entering the MLO section of the Seaway opt to continue its transit after 00:01 on October 12<sup>th</sup>, the Corporation makes no representation whatsoever as to its ability to successfully transit the ship downbound and subsequently out of the system.

October 11, 2023