



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

2015 - NOTICE TO SHIPPING #5

**NIAGARA REGION
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UPBOUND VESSEL MOORING – CHANGE IN TIE UP PROCEDURE

Mariners are advised that a procedural change has been implemented for the 2015 navigation season that will affect upbound vessel mooring at Locks 1 – 7 in Niagara.

After securing any one of the four mooring wires to the appropriate bollard in the lock, the line handler will no longer approach the coping and signal the ship's crew to heave on the wire after the hand line has been removed. Confirmation will be made by the Spotter (*Signaler*) to the vessel, using the VHF radio.

Masters / Pilots are asked to verbally acknowledge the confirmation from the Spotter (*Signaler*) after each mooring wire is secured.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

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