



**New Orleans-Baton Rouge
Steamship Pilots Association**

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March 9, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

Due to the river reaching sixteen (16) feet at the Carrollton Gage, the following restrictions will be implemented at 0400 on Saturday, March 10, 2018.

1. Mile 233.0 AHP to Mile 90.5 AHP, south bound vessels will be daylight only;
2. Mile 166.0 AHP to Mile 232.2 AHP, all vessels will be daylight only; and
3. Vessels anchoring in NOBRA's area of responsibility with a draft of 30 feet or greater must maintain a pilot on board while at anchor to insure safety of the vessel.

Sincerely yours,

Capt. Stephen H. Hathorn
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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Captain Stephen H. Hathorn, President
Board of New Orleans - Baton Rouge Steamship Pilots Association
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RE: 2018 High Water Restrictions

Dear Captain Hathorn:

As you are already aware, the Board of Examiners for New Orleans-Baton Rouge Steamship Pilots for the Mississippi River (hereinafter "Board of Examiners" or "Board"), is the sole competent pilotage authority statutorily created for the purpose of regulating, supervising and overseeing the NOBRA pilots as authorized by La. R.S. 34:1041, *et seq.* and Title 46 - Professional and Occupational Standards, Part LXX. River Pilots, Subpart 3. Board of Examiners for the New Orleans and Baton Rouge Steamship Pilots, *et seq.*

This Board is charged by the Louisiana Legislature with the responsibility of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the state of Louisiana and maintaining safety of maritime commerce along the Mississippi River. Due to the safety sensitive nature of the duties performed by state commissioned NOBRA pilots, this Board has a strong commitment to the public and maritime industry.

Therefore, in order to further enhance the safety and well being of the citizens of Louisiana, as well as to prevent any imminent peril to public health, safety and welfare, and to achieve and maintain reliable, safe and efficient pilotage services, effective immediately, when the Carrollton gauge reaches 16 ft. this Board implements the following Mississippi River restriction(s):

1. Mile 233.0 AHP to Mile 90.5 AHP, south bound vessels will be daylight only;
2. Mile 166.0 AHP to Mile 232.2 AHP, all vessels will be daylight only; and

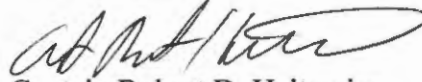
3. Vessels anchoring in NOBRA's area of responsibility with a draft of 30 ft. or greater must maintain a pilot on board while at anchor to insure the safety of the vessel.

These emergency procedures shall remain in effect until the Baton Rouge gauge has a reading of 40 ft. falling in combination with the Carrollton gauge reading 16 ft. falling.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with the implementation of the aforementioned restriction(s). Should you have any questions, comments or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the Board.

With professional regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,



Captain Robert D. Heitmeier

President, NOBRA Board of Examiners