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2024 Upper Mississippi River Navigation Closeout Letter

Dear Valued Dry-Cargo Customers,

In preparation for the closing of the 2024 navigation season for the Upper Mississippi River (above St. Louis) during the winter months, the following tentative dates should be used for planning purposes. **As operating conditions and weather dictate, these dates may be extended or shortened as the navigation season closes.**

The following dates should be used by Shippers as "final loading dates" (0700 release) from points of origin to destinations on the Upper Mississippi (above St. Louis). Final barges will be moved towards their destinations using these 2 schedules:

Origin Port	1.) <u>For Destinations Dubuque, IA thru St. Paul, MN (UMR 521 - 841)</u>	2.) <u>For Destinations Louisiana, MO thru Clinton, IA (UMR 240 - 520)</u>
Mobile/Tenn-Tom	September 26	October 10
Houston	September 26	October 10
Lake Charles	September 27	October 11
Salt Mines	September 28	October 12
New Orleans	October 6	October 20
Memphis	October 14	October 28
Arkansas River Origins	September 26	October 10
Blytheville/Hickman	October 15	October 29
Pittsburgh	September 24	October 8
Huntington/Cincy	September 28	October 12
Jeffersonville/Lou.	September 30	October 14
Evansville	October 2	October 16
Chicago-South	October 1	October 15
Ottawa-South	October 6	October 20
Nashville	October 2	October 16
Decatur, AL	October 1	October 15
Chattanooga	September 24	October 8
Cairo	October 20	November 3
St. Louis	October 22	November 5

Off-loading Instructions at Destination - Important Details for Shippers and off-loading facilities:

Shippers, please plan with your customers so that all barges are off-loaded at destination, at least 10 days prior to our scheduled "Final Departure Dates" from the Upper Mississippi (listed below).

- 10 days will be needed to prepare and plan unloaded barges (clean/reload barges back to St. Louis).
- Barges that are not off-loaded in a timely manner may incur additional charges (e.g., winter storage, towing charges, etc.).

The following dates are our Upper Mississippi "final departure dates" (for southbound loads, 0700 release). All barges will be planned to be removed from the Upper Miss (above St. Louis), using this schedule:

Southbound Loading Origin Areas	Final Departure Dates
St. Paul – South (UMR 841-581)	Sunday, November 24
Dubuque – South (UMR 580-521)	Sunday, December 1
Clinton, IA – South (UMR 520-240)	Sunday, December 8

Key planned full and complete lock closure information:

Lock 25, mile 241, will sustain a total river closure for repairs 1/1/25-2/28/25 (this will only impact Lock 25-North on the Upper Miss above St. Louis, the Illinois River mouth is below lock 25 (no impact to Illinois River).
*Additional full lock closures for remediation may be scheduled for the last half of December, TBA.

Thank You,

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