Southern Currents



Notice to the Area Port of New Orleans Trade Community

Date July 12, 2019

No.: 19-029

SUBJECT: July 12 – 13, 2019 – Tropical Storm Barry

In preparation for Tropical Storm / Hurricane Barry, a blanket delay in departure is approved for the New Orleans Tri-Port (New Orleans, Gramercy and Baton Rouge) <u>until the Lower</u> <u>Mississippi River [LMR] is opened</u> by the River Pilots and the USCG Captain of the Port:

There is no requirement to have a Vessel Entrance and Clearance Specialist (VECS) stamp/annotate a vessel's clearance "Delay in Departure" when a blanket Delay in Departure is authorized. *Reference Southern Currents 19-028 July 10, 2019*.

As a reminder, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays do not count when calculating timeframes for:

- Vessel formal entrance after arrival [48 hours] (19 CFR 4.3a);
- Filing complete manifests and export declarations [4 days] (19CFR 4.75b).

The Marine Division will be closed from 1400 hours on Friday July 12th thru 1700 hours on Saturday July 13th.

Any <u>emergency</u> marine division issues should be relayed to Trade Supervisor Frank Foster via email at <u>frank_d.foster@cbp.dhs.gov</u>.

CBP Officers and Agriculture Specialists reporting to duty on Saturday July 13, 2019 will report to the Louis Armstrong International Airport for passenger processing and may be contacted via the following numbers:

• Telephone: (504) 467-1713 x 231 or x 5

• Fax: (504) 468-2708

Direct questions about this trade notice to Acting Port Director Mark Choina at mark.s.choina@cbp.dhs.gov

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