Southern Currents



Notice to the Area Port of New Orleans Trade Community

Date October 27, 2020 No.: 21-007

SUBJECT: Blanket Delay in Departure – Hurricane ZETA

In preparation for **Hurricane ZETA**, a blanket delay in departure is approved for the New Orleans Tri-Port (New Orleans, Gramercy and Baton Rouge) effective Tuesday October 27, 2020 at 1500 hours <u>until the Lower 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).

Any <u>emergent</u> marine division issues, or questions about this trade notice, should be relayed to Chief Denise Emmer at <u>denise.emmer@cbp.dhs.gov</u>

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