Southern Currents



Notice to the Area Port of New Orleans Trade Community

Date September 12, 2024 No.: 24-029

SUBJECT: Blanket Delay in Departure Due to Hurricane Francine

Blanket Delay in Departure:

The CBP Area Port Director has approved a blanket **Delay in Departure** for those vessels unable to depart the lower Mississippi River due to Hurricane Francine.

If possible, vessel agents should request a Delay in Departure in the Vessel Entrance and Clearance System (VECS).

A delay in departure does not provide additional time for filing complete outbound manifests and export declarations.

Questions in the Port of New Orleans should be directed to Chief Denise Emmer at 504-670-2052 or denise.emmer@cbp.dhs.gov.

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