

NOTICE TO AGENTS/CUSTOMERS

RE: GREAT LAKES PILOTAGE AUTHORITY 2020 TARIFF AMENDMENT

The Great Lakes Pilotage Authority's (GLPA) mandate is to establish, maintain and administer, in the interest of safety, an efficient pilotage service within the region set out in respect of the GLPA, on a basis of financial self-sufficiency.

While the GLPA was aiming to eliminate its accumulated deficit of \$0.5 million at the end of the 2019 calendar year, this objective was not accomplished due mainly by the additional pilotage costs associated with navigating in high-water flows for the majority of the 2019 season and a 29% increase in assignments (compared to the 2019 budget) being serviced primarily on overtime due to a shortage of pilots to service the increased demand.

On March 25, 2020, the Governor General in Council, on recommendation of the Minister of Transport, approved the *Regulations Amending the Great Lakes Pilotage Tariff Regulations*. As such, effective March 25, 2020, the 2020 tariffs have been amended as follows:

- a 3.0% general tariff increase;
- ➤ a \$137 charge (previously \$135) for the pilot transfers at the St. Lambert and Beauharnois locks;
- a \$325 charge per embarkation or disembarkation of a licensed pilot at Cape Vincent:
- a standardized \$1,200 charge per docking/undocking in all districts;
- ➤ a \$2,750 charge when a pilot is retained on board a ship beyond the boarding point at the end of an assignment to continue the voyage with a second assignment;
- the extension of the 5% apprentice-pilot training surcharge until December 31, 2021.

The Authority remains committed to providing safe and efficient pilotage in the Great Lakes while maintaining financial self-sufficiency.

Should you have any questions, please contact Stéphane Bissonnette, Chief Financial Officer at the GLPA at (613) 933-2991 extension 207.

April 3, 2020 Cornwall, Ontario Michèle Bergevin Chief Executive Officer

