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**DATE:** 01/25/2019  
**POC:** Allen Barnes  
Lockmaster  
618-462-17132

**NOTICE NUMBER:** 9665-1  
**LOCAL NUMBER:** 19-04A  
**WTRWY/CHNL:** UPPER MISSISSIPPI  
**LOCK(S):** MI 26  
**EFFECTIVE:** 01/24/2019 20:30 thru Until Further Notice CST

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**UNSCHEDULED LOCK CLOSURE - UPDATE**  
**Mel Price Locks & Dam - Main Lock**  
**Upper Mississippi River mile 200.5**

1. The Main Lock liftgate inspection has revealed damages to the structural steel on the end of the middle leaf. Continued operation will risk considerable damage to the gate itself. Repairs will start tomorrow; due to dangerous cold temperatures, work will only take place in daylight hours. It is estimated that the Lock will reopen on Monday once repairs are complete.
2. The Auxiliary Lock remains open, but mariners should consider that heavy ice conditions exist and may make it difficult to transit.
3. All navigation interest should be alert for, and abide by, any special instructions that may be issued by the Lockmaster.

**FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER:**

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