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DATE: 07/23/2018
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NOTICE NUMBER: 8976-1
LOCAL NUMBER: 18-11A
WTRWY/CHNL: UPPER MISSISSIPPI
LOCK(S): MI 26
EFFECTIVE: 07/11/2018 17:00 thru 08/10/2018 17:00 CDT

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS AND SCHEDULED LOCK CLOSURE
Melvin Price Locks & Dam, Main Lock UMR mile 200.5**

1. The current closure of the Main Lock at Mel Price Locks and Dam will be extended to 1700 hours on 10 August 2018. Structural repairs to the Main Lock Lift Gates are necessary in order to put the lock back into operation. Please watch for updates as the dates may change. During this time vessels will not be permitted to land on the upstream long guidewall of the main lock.
2. During the closure of the Main Lock the 600-foot Auxiliary Lock will remain open, but without tow haulage equipment, tows requiring double lockage will have to provide their own helper boat to pull cuts and assist with making up tows. All southbound vessels will be required to use a second helper boat, provided by the Corps, when landing on the approach wall to insure a safe approach and mitigate risk to the upstream gates.
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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