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**DATE:** 08/27/2018  
**POC:** Allen Barnes  
Lockmaster  
618-462-1713

**NOTICE NUMBER:** 9106  
**LOCAL NUMBER:** 18-15  
**WTRWY/CHNL:** UPPER MISSISSIPPI  
**LOCK(S):** MI 26  
**EFFECTIVE:** 08/25/2018 22:30 thru Until Further Notice CDT

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**UNSCHEDULED LOCK CLOSURE  
Melvin Price Locks & Dam - Main Lock  
Mile 200.5 UMR**

1. At approximately 2230 hours on 25 August 2018 an electrical failure caused the Mel Price main lock to go off line. The issue is with the adjustable frequency drive controller for the upstream liftgate (DS Leaf). Engineers are working to resolve the issue. The main lock chamber is closed until repairs can be made.
2. The auxiliary lock (600 ft) is open and available for use. The Auxiliary Lock does not have tow haulage equipment. Tows requiring double lockage must provide their own helper boat, no Government assist vessel will be provided to pull cuts.
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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