



LP BULLETIN

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Bulletin 1171 - 08/19 - Texas bans large vessels from Houston Ship Channel from 01 September 2019

On September 1 2019, any vessel larger than 1,100 feet will no longer have open access to the Houston Ship Channel (HSC) absent approval by the newly authorized and independent Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports.

The recent advent of the world's largest vessels in the ship channel has resulted in periodic shutdowns of two-way traffic, causing delivery delays and inflicting demurrage costs. Short of a prospective multi-billion dollar widening of the HSC, the bills are meant as interim solutions to ensuring continuous two-way traffic.

For full details, please refer to the full Eversheds Sutherland legal alert enclosed.

Source of Information

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