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open position during the navigation season, except for the crossings of trains or for maintenance. Bridge operators shall not give precedence to railway traffic and shall not close the bridge against an upbound vessel after lock gates are open and the vessel is proceeding toward the bridge, nor against a downbound vessel, 1,200 feet or less west of the bridge, unless the vessel is moored at either canal pier awaiting its turn to take position at lock approaches.

§ 117.655 Thunder Bay River.

The draw of the Second Avenue bridge, mile 0.3 at Alpena, shall open on signal if at least three hours notice is given to the Dispatcher, Police Department, City of Alpena, Michigan.

[CGD 82-025, 49 FR 17452, Apr. 24, 1984; 49 FR 37382, Sept. 24, 1984]

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§ 117.661 Duluth Ship Canal (Duluth-Superior Harbor).

The draw of the Duluth Ship Canal bridge, mile 0.1 at Duluth, shall open on signal; except that, from January 1 through March 15, the draw shall open on signal if at least 24 hours notice is given. The opening signal is one prolonged blast, one short blast, one prolonged blast, one short blast. If the Duluth Ship Canal Bridge is disabled, the bridge authorities shall give incoming and outgoing vessels timely and dependable notice, by tug service if necessary, so that the vessels do not attempt to enter the canal. Vessels shall be given precedence over highway or railway traffic at all times.

§ 117.663 Minnesota River.

The draws of bridges above LeSueur need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

[CGD08-97-004, 63 FR 4584, Jan. 30, 1998]

§ 117.665 Red River of the North.

The draws of the bridges need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

§ 117.667 St. Croix River.

(a) The draws of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad Bridge, Mile 0.2, and the U.S. 16-61 bridge, Mile

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0.3, at Prescott, and the Union Pacific railroad bridge, Mile 17.3, at Hudson, shall open on signal; except that, from December 15 through March 31, the draw shall open on signal if at least 24 hours notice is given.

(b) The draw of the S36 Bridge Mile 23.4, at Stillwater, shall open on signal as follows:

(1) From May 15 through October 15, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays, from:

(i) 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., every hour on the hour;

(ii) 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., every half hour;

(iii) 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., at 2:30 p.m., 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.;

(iv) 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., every half hour; and

(v) 10 p.m. to 8 a.m., upon at least two hours notice.

(2) from May 15 through October 15, Saturdays, Sundays, and federal holidays from:

(i) 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., every half hour;

(ii) 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., every hour on the hour;

(iii) 8 p.m. to midnight, every half hour; and

(iv) Midnight to 8 a.m., upon at least two hours notice.

(c) The draw of the Soo Line Railroad Bridge, Mile 40.7, at Otisville, need not be opened for the passage of vessels.

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§ 117.669 St. Louis River (Duluth Superior Harbor).

(a) The draws of the Burlington Northern railroad bridge, mile 5.7, shall open on signal; except that, from January 1 through March 15, the draws shall open on signal if at least 24 hours notice is given. The opening signal for the Minnesota draw is one prolonged blast followed by two short blasts and for the Wisconsin draw is two prolonged blasts followed by two short blasts.

(b) The draws of the Grassy Point bridge, mile 8.0, and the Arrow Head bridge, mile 8.7, shall open on signal; except that, from January 1 through March 15, the draw shall open on signal if at least 24 hours notice is given. The opening signal for the Grassy Point bridge is two prolonged blasts followed