

NYCruise Update

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Background & COVID Context

Once the face of the pandemic, the cruise industry is working to restart with new safety protocols

- Following COVID-19 outbreaks on cruise ships around the world, the last cruise to dock at MCT was in March 2020
- Due to outbreaks, CDC issued a 'No Sail Order' effectively banning cruising in US and halting the industry
- In October 2020, CDC issued a 'Conditional Sail Order' to create a phased approach to safely resuming cruises in the US
- Cruise lines have been working closely with CDC, ports and local health authorities to begin safe sailings in the summer and fall
- EDC is working with stakeholders to target a late September start at MCT while addressing vaccination requirements, testing, terminal capacity, and other open items
- NY sailings also dependent on cruises meeting port protocols at destinations, e.g., Bermuda, Canada



Planning for the Future

Using the pause in operations to reset objectives and cultivate opportunities for growth



- Focusing on strengthening relationships with local stakeholders, ports, cruise lines, and advocacy groups
- Pursuing additional long-term agreements with cruise lines to increase activation and operations
- Working to address revenue shortfall issues as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and recovery phase



Facility Upgrades

Planning for the next generation of ships and mitigating negative impacts

- Evaluating apron buildout at Pier 90, including new boarding bridges and terminal upgrades to accommodate larger vessels
- Rehabilitation to substructure at MCT planned; second phase of pile repairs at BCT nearly complete
- Working to complete shore power upgrades at BCT with funding from Brooklyn Borough President's office and to gain a better understanding of opportunities to address emissions at MCT
- Supporting projects to better integrate cruise operations and terminals into the community

