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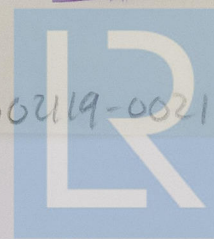
Dear Mr. French:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 22nd regarding the S.S. "SOCONY-VACUUM" First Entry Report (Phila. No. 6889) and with reference to the enquiries raised, we wish to reply as follows:-

- (1) The thickness of the face angles of the expansion trunk transverses is as approved, namely .44"
- (2) The riveting at the ends of the longitudinal stiffeners Nos. 1 to 6 on the midship transverse bulkhead, and Nos. 1 to 5 on the centre line bulkhead amidships are as shown on the approved plans, namely, 7/8" diameter, 3-1/8" apart for seven spaces.
- (3) There is no deep water ballast tank forward. The tank immediately aft of the fore peak is a reserve oil fuel tank 22'-1" in length. 24,628 cubic ft. total capacity, or 705 long tons of salt water.
- (4) The total capacity of the generators is 170 K.W. The total of 95 K.W. was given on the report, as it is not intended to use both main generators at the same time.

Yours very truly,

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