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Irvine's Shipbuilding & Dry Docks Co., Ltd.,
WEST HARTLEPOOL.
July 29th, 1919.

The Secretary,
Lloyd's Register of Shipping,
71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

S.S. Nos. 586/7.

Dear Sir,

We enclose herewith, midship section, profile and deck plans, also particulars for estimating freeboard for two shelter deck vessels 420'0" x 54'8" Beam Moulded x 30'6" Depth Moulded, having a tonnage opening aft and topgallant forecastle forward.

These vessels are proposed to be built to the highest class under your Society's rules, and are practically duplicates of two built by Messrs. Sir James Laing & Co., Ltd., Sunderland, and numbered ^{Rainmore} 664 and 665, and intended for the same Owners, Messrs. Furness, Withy & Co., Ltd., Liverpool, for the same trade. The arrangement of decks and panting has been dealt with in a similar manner to those vessels, and it is desirable they should be treated in the same way both as to scantlings and freeboard.

The Owners have stipulated that they have the option of running the vessels to the deep load line, namely, 29'5½" with the tonnage opening closed up, and we understand the vessels which we have taken as our guide are at the present time running under similar conditions.

We shall be glad if you will let us have your approval of these plans as early as possible so that we may be able to place our orders for materials and outfit at the earliest possible moment. We also enclose freeboard request form.

Yours faithfully,
IRVINE'S SHIPBUILDING & DRY DOCKS, CO., LTD.