

21st February, 1948.

Dear Sirs,

Steamers "ESSO LONDON" & "ESSO GLASGOW"

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I am in receipt of your letter of the 14th instant and have to say that the remainder of the typical First Entry report which is left blank and which is not marked "To complete" need not be filled in (except as regards "Particulars of Equipment" and "General Remarks"), but you will of course be guided by the instructions contained in Circular No.1871.

You will doubtless appreciate that while the particulars of the main scantlings need not be filled in they should be checked, a statement to this effect being included in the typical report.

As desired, photostat copies of plans of Profile and Decks and Longitudinal O.T. bulkheads will be forwarded to you.

As regards the machinery, I have to say that the safety valves of the "Consolidated" type described by you are of a type and size that have been approved for this size of boiler and as the accumulation test has proved satisfactory they can be accepted.

The photostat copy of a First Entry report on boilers of this type was forwarded simply for guidance in the hope that the scantlings might apply also to the present case. It is known that there are variations in many of these vessels and it has not been possible to obtain plans appertaining to each set of boilers.

For your further information I would add that it has been found in some of the T.2 tankers that the boiler water gauges are of an undesirable type in that they are fitted with valves, top and bottom, and that these valves are solid with their spindles and can blow out if the gland nut should slack back. Again, operation of these valves is sometimes by means of a long chain attached to a crossbar on the spindle, and this spindle requires more than a complete turn from "Open" to "Shut" position, which means, in effect, that full operation from a distance is almost impossible.

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Suitable modifications should therefore be made, if practicable, during the survey or, alternatively, a recommendation should be made that the class be assigned subject to this being done.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

The Surveyors,

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.



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