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Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter of the 30th October regarding the assessment of fees for machinery surveys on the Continuous Survey basis.

We fully appreciate the difficulty of arriving at the appropriate proportion of the total fee for each partial survey and we are interested to have the chart which you have prepared as a guide in such cases. Nevertheless, we realise that it is impracticable to establish a hard and fast rule which would ensure that the full fee is charged for each cycle. We know that in many cases the total of the individual charges falls short of the scale fee; in others it is often exceeded, particularly where parts of the machinery are opened up for survey at several different ports, but if, during the cycle, the same items are submitted for examination more than once, then we can fully justify any additional charge.

These points were well in mind when we fixed the surcharge for Continuous Surveys and it was our intention that the surcharge should be only approximately 100%.

We are frequently asked by both U.K. and foreign ports to advise them of the balance outstanding to complete a cycle and in order to arrive at the appropriate charge we reduce the part fees already charged to the equivalent

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of the U.K. fees. This may result in the proportion remaining to be charged on completion being out of line with the extent of the work involved, a matter to which attention has been drawn in many cases by those ports keeping a keen eye on their financial results, but this cannot be avoided. If we were to extend the practice to all ports throughout the world, however, it would be a monumental task and the result would scarcely justify the work involved.

We can therefore only leave it in the hands of the Surveyors to assess what they consider to be a reasonable proportion for each partial survey.

In the case of the "BENRINNES", which has been the subject of recent correspondence, we are prepared to agree the fee of £47 which you have assessed as being a fair proportion for the work involved, and application is being made for the fees shown in your account No. 09895. I am pleased to learn, however, from your further letter of the 30th October about the "SPICA" that you accept our proposal that the fee in this case should be amended from £106 to £127 10s. Od. An account is being rendered to the Owners.

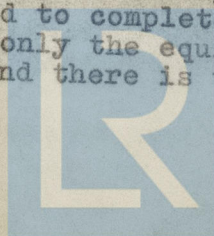
We have now to deal with the following cases mentioned in your letters of the 4th November, viz:-

"OCEAN JENNY"

The Surveyors state that the complete machinery installation has now been examined. Of the total U.K. fee of £194, the equivalent of £166 has already been charged, but having regard to the fact that many items have been examined more than once during the cycle, it would appear to be reasonable for you to charge, say, the equivalent of the basic fee (£97).

"AUGUSTENBURG"

The Surveyors state that approximately 55% of the machinery has now been examined to complete the cycle. The full U.K. fee is £232 but only the equivalent of £35 has so far been charged, and there is thus a balance of £197 properly chargeable.



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"AUGUSTENBURG" (Cont'd)

I note that the complete survey of the electrical installation in this case has now been carried out and therefore only the basic fee should be charged, i.e. the surcharge of 100% should not be applied.

In this connection I have to say that it is our practice to apply the surcharge only when the survey of the electrical installation is carried out in more than one operation. If, however, only a very small part of the installation is left to be dealt with, we are prepared to leave it to the Surveyors discretion as to whether the full 100% surcharge should be made.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

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