

ATLANTIC STEAM NAVIGATION CO.LTD.
Craig's Court House,
25 Whitehall,
London, S.W.1.

31st July, 1958

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Sir,

S.S. "EMPIRE GULL"

We thank you for your letter of 30th July, and confirm we received advice from Liverpool that your Society's Surveyors had issued a short term Load Line Certificate in the name of the above named vessel, valid only for a voyage from Liverpool to the Mediterranean.

We refer to our letter of 13th March last (Your Ref: MS/WNJ/EPD) wherein we listed the names of the vessels we had at that time to be made available for your Surveyors' Classification Survey and Load Line Certificates. We have carried out the necessary Surveys for -

s.s. "Empire Skua" and
"Empire Fulmar"

(built by Burn-on-Tyne (Vickers Armstrongs) Shipbuilders) Ltd.) and
s.s. "Empire Gannet"

(built by Milford Haven (Milford Haven Dry Dock Co.Ltd.) and now refer to our letter of 11th June 1958 - s.s. "Empire Kittiwake" and "Empire Gannet". This letter clearly states the Load Line Certificate (Form L.L.2) which I require for these vessels. The certificate will read "...and only whilst engaged on coasting, also to Mauritius and Rodrigues and in South Pacific Zone - for carriage of non-perishable cargoes".

It will be appreciated that we are very anxious that all vessels of this class should operate under the same Load Line Certificate.

It would appear that the Surveyors at Liverpool have been working without any clear instructions, and whilst the certificate granted will suffice for approximately one month we greatly appreciate it if a long term Load Line Certificate could be issued as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

For ATLANTIC STEAM NAVIGATION CO.LTD.

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