

14th November, 1947.

Dear Sirs,

I beg to inform you that the Load Line Certificate of the "ESSO BIRMINGHAM", will expire on the 31st January, 1948 and I shall be obliged if you will be good enough to let me know what arrangements you propose making to carry out the survey for the renewal of the

H. & F. Certificate.

At the same time, I think it well to point out that the present "Examined" notation will also expire at the end of January next and that to complete the Special Survey of the hull for classification the following remains to be done:-

Internal examination and testing of F. & A. peak tanks, fore deep tank, all D.B. tanks and O.F. bunkers.  
Testing of all cargo tanks and cofferdams.  
Examination of chain locker, structure under engines and boilers.  
Anchors and chain cables to verify with certificates.

The machinery survey has also been partly held.

Yours faithfully,

The Esso Transportation Co.  
Ltd.,  
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Clerk to the  
Classification Committee.