

Genoa, 18th June, 1960

Dear Sir,

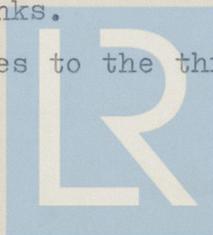
TRANSLATION

T2 "MARIA LETIZIA G." - Transformation  
for the carrying of grain in bulk.

We wish to carry out the alterations which are strictly necessary to fit the above T2 tanker which is now lying at Taranto for the carrying of grain in bulk.

From the information which we have been able to gather from other Owners who have already converted tankers for this work, we believe the following items are the maximum necessary :

- a) Cleaning of all cargo tanks by chipping or chemical process in order to obtain the perfect cleanliness of all bulkheads, piping, transmissions, etc.
- b) Remove the heating coils and fit blank flanges to the extremities of the same.
- c) Arrange in each tank a drainage well efficiently protected against the infiltration of grain in way of the suction to the cargo stripping line, in order that this will serve as the bilge line.
- d) Arrange in each drainage well a sounding pipe from the upper deck.
- e) Fit protection to all the stripping line valve controls rendering same tight against grain.
- f) Close with wood plugs all cargo over flow pipes to the cargo tanks.
- g) Fit blank flanges to the three cargo pipe lines



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at the forward bulkhead of the pump room and also fit blank flanges at the Kingston valve on the sea suction to the cargo pump.

- h) Fit a blank flange at the 8 sea suctions to the stripping line in order to prevent suction from the sea when the ship is loaded with grain. This line will be used when the ship is empty for supplying ballast to the cargo tanks. The ballasting and drain of tanks will be effected only by means of two stripping pumps, one electric and one steam.
- i) If it is decided to carry grain in hold N°1 it will be necessary in addition to the above to fit a wooden feeder trunk.

We consider that the freeboard will not be altered by the above but it will of course be necessary to issue a new Certificate authorizing the ship to carry grain in bulk and cancelling the class as a tanker.

We beg you to let us have as soon as possible your approval of our proposals or your remarks in connection therewith. We request that this matter be dealt with urgently because we must decide very quickly whether to proceed with this transformation.

Yours sincerely,

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