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Dear Sirs,

S.S. W.D. ATLAS".

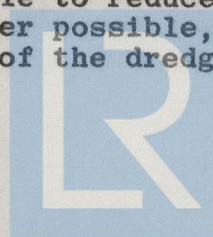
The contents of your letter of the 22nd November, have been noted, and your remarks on the inadequacy of the steering arrangements in conjunction with the new rudder blade area are concurred in.

In view of its history, it is also agreed that it would be unacceptable to allow the dredger to proceed to Sydney, in spite of the recommended repairs to the rudder stock and steering gear, without taking some precautions.

It is therefore considered that for the voyage Whyalla - Sydney, a relief tackle be fitted to the rudder in addition to carrying out repairs to the stock and steering gear as recommended.

The tackle could be rigged to the aft end of the rudder blade and consist of a chain led over the quarter sides port and starboard by means of outriggers welded in place, and with the sheaves at the appropriate angle. At the tail end of the chain inboard could be a wire rope purchase led to the winches available.

It is also advisable to reduce the maximum speed to 6 knots whenever possible, consistent with the steering qualities of the dredger.



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I take this opportunity to point out that the Steampipe Survey became due at the end of March, 1965, and the Main Boiler Survey at the end of September, 1965.

The delay in replying to your letter is regretted.

Yours faithfully,

cc SYDNEY

Assistant Clerk to the
Classification Committee.

The Surveyors,
WHYALLA.



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