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M/V "DEMOCRAAT."

Requirements for Classification

IT IS SUBMITTED Mr. Van der Weel be informed that the contents of his letter of the 11th instant have been noted, and his attention should be drawn to the following points:

- (1) In the third paragraph of his letter, he stated that two independent bilge pumps, each of 6 tons capacity were fitted on this vessel, whereas only one independent pump was indicated on the plan submitted to this Office, nor was any other bilge pump shown.
- (2) It is noted that an auxiliary compressor has now been fitted on board the vessel, so that the Society's requirements regarding number of pumps and compressors appear to have been complied with, although the capacity of the pumps is still less than we are prepared to accept.
- (3) Since the Bureau Veritas table of requirements, ^{was} given in our letter of the 23rd ultimo, has been found correct by Mr. Van der Weel, it appears that, in the case of M/V ZWANTIENA", the practice of the Bureau Veritas does not agree with their published requirements, if they are prepared to accept a single bilge pump.

Mr. Ferguson

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