

# REPORT ON ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.

(OTHER THAN FOR THE PROPULSION OF THE VESSEL)

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No. in Survey held at RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA Date, First Survey 11 April '42 Last Survey May 14th 1942  
Reg. Book. (Number of Visits... 30...)

on the S. S. "OCEAN VISTA"

Tons { Gross 7174  
Net 4272

Built at RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA By whom built TODD-CALIFORNIA SHIPBUILDING DIVISION of The Permanente Metals Corporation Card No. 19 When built 1942

Owners BRITISH GOVERNMENT Port belonging to LONDON

Electric Light Installation fitted by TODD-CALIFORNIA SHIPBUILDING DIVISION of The Permanente Metals Corporation Contract No. 19 When fitted 1942

Is the Vessel fitted for carrying Petroleum in bulk NO

System of Distribution TWO WIRE INSULATED D. C.

Pressure of supply for Lighting 115 volts, Heating -- volts, Power 115 volts.

Direct or Alternating Current, Lighting D. C. Power D. C.

If alternating current system, state frequency of periods per second --

Has the Automatic Governor been tested and found efficient when the whole load is suddenly thrown on or off YES

Generators, do they comply with the requirements regarding temperature rise YES, are they compound wound YES

are they over compounded 5 per cent. NO, if not compound wound state distance between each generator --

Where more than one generator is fitted are they arranged to run in parallel NO, is an adjustable regulating resistance fitted in series with each shunt field YES

Have certificates of test results for machines under 100 kw. been submitted and approved YES Have machines over 100 kw. been inspected by the Surveyors during manufacture and testing --

Are all terminals accessible, clearly marked, and furnished with sockets YES, are they so spaced or shielded that they cannot be accidentally earthed, short circuited, or touched YES Are the lubricating arrangements of the generators as per Rule YES

Position of Generators ENGINE ROOM, STARBOARD SIDE, INBOARD AND OUTBOARD, is the ventilation in way of the generators satisfactory YES are they clear of all inflammable material YES if situated near unprotected

woodwork or other combustible material, state distance of same horizontally from or vertically above the generators -- and -- are the generators protected from mechanical injury and damage from water, steam or oil YES, are their axes of rotation fore and aft YES

Earthing, are the bedplates and frames of the generating plant efficiently earthed YES are the prime movers and their respective generators in metallic contact YES Main Switch Boards, where placed ENGINE ROOM, STARBOARD SIDE

If the generators and main switchboard are not placed in the same compartment, is each generator provided with a fuse on each insulated pole as near as possible to the terminals of the generator, additional to that provided on the main switchboard --

Switchboards, are they placed in accessible positions, free from inflammable gases and acid fumes YES, are they protected from mechanical injury and damage from water, steam or oil YES, if situated near unprotected woodwork or other combustible material, state distance of same

horizontally from or vertically above the switchboards -- and --, are they constructed wholly of durable, non-ignitable non-absorbent materials YES, is all insulation of high dielectric strength and of permanently high insulation resistance YES

is it of an approved type YES, if semi-insulating material is used, are all conducting parts insulated from the slab with mica or micanite or other non-hygroscopic insulating material, and the slab similarly insulated from its framework --, is the non-hygroscopic insulating material of an approved

type --, and is the frame effectively earthed YES Are the fittings as per Rule regarding: — spacing or shielding of live parts YES, accessibility of all parts YES, absence of fuses on back of board YES, temperature rise of

omnibus bars YES, individual fuses to voltmeter, pilot or earth lamp YES, are moving parts of switches alive in the "off" position NO are all screws and nuts securing connections effectively locked YES are any fuses fitted on the live side of

switches NO Main Switchgear, description of switchgear for each generator and each outgoing circuit, and arrangement of equalizer switches

TWO POLE FUSED SINGLE THROW KNIFE SWITCH FOR EACH GENERATOR

Are turbine driven generators fitted with emergency trip switch as per rule -- Are cupboards or compartments containing switchboards composed of fire-resisting material or lined with approved material YES Instruments on main switchboard 2 ammeters 2

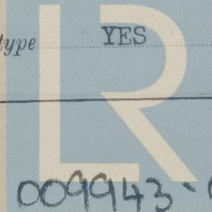
volumeters 0 synchronising device for paralleling purposes. For compound machines is the ammeter connected on the opposite pole to equaliser connection

Earth Testing, state what means are provided at the main switchboard for indicating the state of the insulation of the system

EARTH LAMPS

Switches, Circuit Breakers and Fusible Cut-outs,

do these comply with the requirements of the Rules YES are the fusible cutouts of an approved type YES have the reversed

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current protection devices been tested under working conditions -- **Joint Boxes, Section and Distribution Boards, is the construction, protection, insulation, material, and position of these as per rule** YES

**Cables:** Single, twin, concentric, or multicore YES are the cables insulated and protected as per Tables IV, V, X or XI of the Rules YES

If the cables are insulated otherwise than as per Rule, are they of an approved type -- **Fall of Pressure, state maximum between bus bars and any point of the installation under maximum load** 1.4 Volts **Cable Sockets, are the ends of all cables having a sectional area of 0.04 square inch and above provided with soldering sockets** YES **Paper Insulated and Varnished Cambric Insulated Cables.**

If conductors are paper or varnished cambric insulated, is the dielectric at the exposed ends of the conductor protected from moisture by being suitably sealed with insulating compound YES, or waterproof insulating tape -- **Cable Runs, are the cables fixed as far as possible in accessible positions not exposed to drip or accumulation of water or oil, or to high temperature from boilers, steam pipes, uptakes or other hot objects, or to avoidable risk of mechanical damage** YES Are cables in machinery spaces, galleys, laundries, bathrooms and lavatories lead covered or run in conduit YES

**Support and Protection of Cables, state how the cables are supported and protected** STEEL HANGERS AND STRAPS, STEEL PADS AND STRAPS, STEEL CASINGS, LEAD AND ARMOUR COVERED.

If cables are run in wood casings, are the casings and caps secured by screws --, are the cap screws of brass --, are the cables run in separate grooves -- If armoured and lead covered cables are secured by metal clips, are the clips spaced as per Table VIII YES

**Refrigerated Chambers, are the cables and fittings in accordance with the special requirements** YES

**Joints in Cables, state if any, and how made, insulated, and protected** NONE

**Watertight Glands and Deck Tubes, are all cables passing through decks and watertight bulkheads provided with deck tubes or watertight glands** YES **Bushes in Beams and Non-watertight Partitions, where unarmoured cables pass through beams and non-watertight partitions, are the holes efficiently bushed** YES state the material of which the bushes are made LEAD LINERS AND STEEL CHASE NIPPLES

**Earthing Connections, state what earthing connections are fitted and their respective sectional areas** TWO CONDUCTOR INSULATED SYSTEM (Not Earthed)

are their connections made as per Rule --

**Alternative Lighting, are the groups of lights in the propelling machinery space arranged as per Rule** YES **Emergency Supply, state position and method of control of the emergency supply and how the generator is driven** NONE

**Navigation Lamps, are these separately wired** YES, controlled by separate switch and separate fuses YES, are the fuses double pole YES, are the switches and fuses grouped in a position accessible only to the officers on watch YES

has each navigation lamp an automatic indicator as per Rule YES **Secondary Batteries, are they constructed and fitted as per Rule** NONE

**Fittings, are all fittings on weather decks, in stokeholds and engine rooms and wherever exposed to drip or condensed moisture, watertight** YES, are any fittings placed in spaces in which goods are liable to be stacked in close proximity to them; if so, how are they protected NONE

are any fittings placed in spaces where inflammable or explosive dust or gases are liable to be present, if so, how are they protected NONE, how are the cables led

where are the controlling switches situated --

are all fittings suitably ventilated --, are all switches and lampholders constructed wholly of non-ignitable, non-absorbent materials --

**Heating and Cooking Appliances, are they constructed and fitted as per Rule** NONE, are air heaters constructed and fitted as per Rule --

**Searchlight Lamps, No. of** NONE, whether fixed or portable --, are their fittings as per Rule --

**Arc Lamps, other than searchlight lamps, No. of** NONE, are their live parts insulated from the frame or case --, are their fittings as per Rule --

**Motors, are their working parts readily accessible** YES, are the coils self-contained and readily removable for replacement YES, are the brushes, brush holders, terminals and lubricating arrangements as per Rule YES, are the motors placed in well-ventilated compartments in which inflammable gases cannot accumulate and clear of all inflammable material YES, are they protected from mechanical injury and damage from water, steam or oil YES, are their axes of rotation fore and aft YES, if situated near unprotected woodwork or other combustible material, are the motors of the totally enclosed, pipe ventilated, forced draught, drip or flame proof type --, if not of this type, state distance of the combustible material horizontally or vertically above the motors -- and --

have machines of over 100 BHP been inspected by the Surveyors during manufacture and testing -- **Control Gear and Resistances, are the generator field and motor speed regulators, starters and controllers constructed and fitted as per Rule** YES **Lightning Conductors, where lightning conductors are required, are these fitted as per Rule** -- **Ships carrying Oil having a Flash Point less than 150° F. Have the special requirements of the Rules been complied with regarding switches, joint boxes, section and distribution boards, protection of cables, method of distribution, lead of cables, lights and fittings** -- are all fuses of the filled cartridge type -- are they of an approved type --

If portable lamps for use in dangerous spaces are supplied, are they of a self-contained, battery-fed type approved by the Home Office --

**Spare Gear, if the vessel is for open sea service have spares been supplied as per Rule** YES

## PARTICULARS OF GENERATING PLANT.

DESCRIPTION OF GENERATOR.	No. of	RATED AT				DRIVEN BY	WHERE DRIVEN BY AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE.	
		Kilowatts.	Volts.	Ampères.	Revs. per Min.		Fuel Used.	Flash Point of Fuel.
MAIN ...	2	15 each	115	136	450	Reciprocating Steam Engines (2)		
AUXILIARY ...								
EMERGENCY ...								
ROTARY TRANSFORMER								

## GENERATOR, LIGHTING AND HEATING CONDUCTORS.

DESCRIPTION.	CONDUCTORS.		COMPOSITION OF STRAND.		TOTAL MAXIMUM CURRENT.		Approximate Length. (Lead and Return.) Feet.	Insulated with	HOW PROTECTED.
	No. per Pole.	Total Nominal Area per Pole Sq. Ins.	No.	Diameter.	Circuit.	Rule.			
MAIN GENERATOR ...	1				136	138 ✓	40	Rubber, Lead & Armoured	
EQUALISER CONNECTIONS									
AUXILIARY GENERATOR ...	1				136	138 ✓		Rubber, Lead & Armoured	
EMERGENCY GENERATOR									
ROTARY TRANSFORMER									
ENGINE ROOM ...									
BOILER ROOM ...	1	.026	7	.072	25.66	48.5 ✓	60	" "	"
AUXILIARY SWITCHBOARDS									
Degaussing Swtbd.	1			.1318	95	138 ✓	20	" "	"
Fathometer Feeder	1	.013	7	.051	10	31 ✓	260	" "	"
Crews Quart. Aft L2	1	.052	7	.102	17.79	74 ✓	250	" "	"
Foremast Hse. L3	1	.033	7	.081	22.90	56 ✓	225	" "	"
Officers Qrts. L4	1	.033	7	.081	25.86	56 ✓	160	" "	"
Accommodation ...									
Engineers Quarts. L5	1	.033	7	.081	26.3	56 ✓	100	" "	"
Mainmast Hse. L6	1	.033	7	.081	17.55	56 ✓	165	" "	"
Navigating Lts. L7	1	.013	7	.051		31 ✓	250	" "	"
WIRELESS ...	1	.013	7	.051		31 ✓	100	" "	"
SEARCHLIGHT ...									
MASTHEAD LIGHT ...	1	.003		.025				" "	"
SIDE LIGHTS ...	1	.003						" "	"
COMPASS LIGHTS ...	1							" "	"
POOP LIGHTS ...									
CARGO LIGHTS ...									
ARC LAMPS Sternlight..	1	.005	7					" "	"
HEATERS ... Waketlight	1								

## MOTOR CONDUCTORS.

DESCRIPTION.	No. of Motors.	CONDUCTORS.		COMPOSITION OF STRAND.		TOTAL MAXIMUM CURRENT.		Approximate Length. (Lead and Return.) Feet.	Insulated with	HOW PROTECTED.
		No. Per Pole.	Total Nominal Area per Pole Sq. Ins.	No.	Diameter.	In Circuit.	Rule.			
BALLAST PUMP ...										
MAIN BILGE LINE PUMPS ...										
GENERAL SERVICE PUMP ...										
EMERGENCY BILGE PUMP ...										
SANITARY PUMP ...										
CIRC. SEA WATER PUMPS ...										
CIRC. FRESH WATER PUMPS...										
AIR COMPRESSOR ...										
FRESH WATER PUMP ...										
ENGINE TURNING GEAR...										
ENGINE REVERSING GEAR ...										
LUBRICATING OIL PUMPS ...										
OIL FUEL TRANSFER PUMP...										
WINDLASS ...										
WINCHES, FORWARD ...										
WINCHES, AFT ...										
STEERING GEAR—										
(a) MOTOR GENERATOR...										
(b) MAIN MOTOR ...										
WORKSHOP MOTOR ...										
VENTILATING FANS ...										
Domestic Refrigerator Machine	1	1		7	.0082	17	23 ✓	75	Rubber	Lead & Armoured

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All Conductors are of annealed copper conforming to British Standard Specification No. 7 (or International Electro-technical Commission Publication No. 28).

The Insulated Conductors are guaranteed to withstand the immersion and resistance tests specified in the Rules.

The foregoing is a correct description.

Alan Berryman Elect. Supv. Electrical Engineers.

Date July 15<sup>th</sup> 1942.

#### COMPASSES.

Distance between electric generators or motors and standard compass 10 feet

Distance between electric generators or motors and steering compass 6 feet

The nearest cables to the compasses are as follows:—

A cable carrying 2.15 Amperes 11 feet from standard compass 6 feet from steering compass.

A cable carrying .43 Amperes 3 feet from standard compass 3 feet from steering compass.

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Have the compasses been adjusted with and without the electric installation at work at full power YES

Has the effect of switching on and off circuits, motors and other electro-magnetic apparatus within the vicinity of the compasses been noted YES

The maximum deviation due to electric currents was found to be 1° degrees on N. W. course in the case of the standard compass, and 3° degrees on N. W. course in the case of the steering compass.

TODD-CALIFORNIA SHIPBUILDING DIVISION of Builder's Signature.  
The Permanente Metals Corporation

Date 7-15-42

Is this installation a duplicate of a previous case YES If so, state name of vessel S. S. "OCEAN VIKING", "OCEAN VESTAL", "OCEAN VESPER", etc.

General Remarks (State quality of workmanship, opinions as to class, &c.)

The workmanship is good, material and equipment tested in accordance with rules and found to be satisfactory. The steam driven generators and appliances are, in our opinion, eligible to be included in the record of L.M.C. 5/42

Noted  
L.F.  
6/8/42.

Total Capacity of Generators 30 Kilowatts.

For self and J. F. Robertson:

The amount of Fee \$65.16 & Inclusive: fee chargeable Travelling Expenses (if any) £ at London: When applied for, 19. When received, 19.

John M. Linn  
Surveyor to Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

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Assigned Elec. light.

J.F.R.



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