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# Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

31st July, 1929.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to your letter of the 19th instant respecting the fees charged for the classification in the Society's Register Book of the Oil Tanker "VENDEMIARE", I beg to acquaint you that it would appear that although the correspondence regarding the approval of the plans of the vessel took place between January and June 1928, the actual construction of the vessel was commenced only at the latter date, and the Society's Surveyors were in attendance and supervised the construction of the vessel and her machinery from start to finish. The concession usually granted when vessels are built on the Continent to class with this Society and another Classification Society has already been made, in as much as you have not been called upon to pay double fees for the testing of the material used in the construction of the hull and machinery.

I may point out that the testing of the tanks not being carried out by each Classification Society has no bearing on the question of the fees, as the testing of each and all of the tanks was attended by one of the Society's Surveyors; also the fact that the vessel has dual classification did not entail any reduction in the amount of work carried out by the

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Society's Officers.

In the circumstances, the Committee much regret that, after very careful consideration, they are unable to make any concession regarding the fees charged.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

Messrs. Deutsche Werft,

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