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MV "POZA RICA"  
L. An. Rpt. 5497

with acknowledge receipt of your letter dated November 28, 1956, attention to your letter of November 7th and my reply November 15, relative to the Echo Sounding Equipment as installed in the aft pump-room Galveston, 1950, and note my reply was not specific on the following:-

"why the echo sounding device in the aft pumproom is unsafe".

During the 1953 reclassification surveys the Owners, with the advice of the Mackay Radio engineers, pointed out this equipment was, in my opinion, safe, however as my instructions were, if this equipment was maintained in the pumproom it was necessary to enclose same in a light cofferdam with watertight hatch entrance on the Upper deck, and the device should be transferred to a safe location i.e. fore

The Owners did not concur with the cofferdam suggestion and preferred to disconnect and not utilize this gear and to postpone the transfer to a safe place until the next docking, this last arrangement agreed to in London's letter dated February 5, 1954, wherein it was stated the Owners should be informed of the "subject to class" applied to the equipment, and an amended Interim Certificate issued.

This condition still remains, and was again continued, as previously stated, on Rpt. 8, a condition of class.

"Whether the shell plating has been pierced".

The shell plating has not been pierced.

I regret I cannot comment on the contents of Circular No. 1808, as the regular Files prior to my transfer here in 1949 are not complete.

Yours faithfully,

*Handwritten signature:* Bloomfield

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