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Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

71, Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.

11th September, 1939.

Dear Sirs,

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I return, under separate cover, one copy of the plan of midship section, together with the two provisional general arrangement plans, forwarded with Mr. Edgar's letter of the 29th ultimo, for the Twin Screw Motor Ship No. 280 proposed to be built by Messrs. Nederlandsche Scheepsbouw My., and with regard thereto I have to state that provided the scantlings and arrangements, as shown and amended, be adhered to, the Rules in all other respects be complied with, and the materials and workmanship be to the Society's satisfaction, the vessel will be eligible to be classed 100A1 with a freeboard corresponding to a draught not exceeding that contemplated by the Rules for a complete superstructure vessel having a tonnage opening, with the notation "Butts of shell and deck plating electrically welded".

The steel to be used in the construction of the vessel must be made by the Open Hearth Process at works recognised by the Committee, and be tested in accordance with the requirements of the Rules.

The Rules for the Application of Electric Arc

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Welding to Ship Construction must be complied with, and the consent of the Owners obtained to the use of electric welding.

The vessel is of a length to require eight watertight bulkheads. It is observed from the profile plan that five watertight bulkheads are shown extending to the second deck, one to the third deck and the collision bulkhead to the shelter deck. Compensation for the omission of the intermediate bulkhead has been indicated in the form of an increase to the strength of the framing in No.2 hold, and a web has been indicated to be fitted in the lower tween decks as compensation for the omission of the tween deck bulkhead.

In this connection I have to state that the Special Survey of the vessel during construction may be proceeded with, but before she is finally classed in the Register Book it will be necessary for a letter to be furnished by the Owners desiring the omission of the bulkheads in question in the terms of Section 17, Paragraph 2(c) of the Rules. If this be done a notation will be made in the Register Book in respect of the bulkheads as follows :-

"One intermediate BH and 1 tween deck BH dispensed with;
"Collision BH to shelter deck: 5 BH to second deck: 1 BH
"to third deck."

The duplicate plan of midship section is being retained for record.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

The Surveyors,
ROTTERDAM.

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