

LLOYDS REGISTER OF SHIPPING
71, Fenchurch Street,
E.C.3.ENCLOSURE

11th August, 1933.

Dear Sir,

I duly received your letter of the 26th ultimo enclosing a copy of one dated 13th June, which Mr. C. King the President of the Portland California Steamship Co. has addressed to Mr. David Millar, the Principal Surveyor at San Francisco, respecting the vessels owned by this Company, which are still laid up at Port Newark.

The Committee have had these letters under their consideration, and with regard thereto, I am directed to assure you that they are desirous of meeting the Owners' wishes as far as they possibly can, and have carefully noted all they write as to the steps taken to ensure that no undue deterioration is taking place in the vessels.

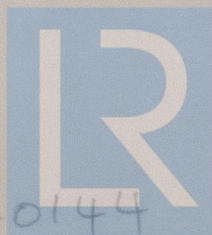
As you are aware, the Committee's usual procedure in dealing with laid up vessels where Special Periodical Surveys are more than twelve months overdue is to require Owners to sign a printed form of undertaking, a copy of which I enclose herewith. Further, in the event of the period during which the vessels are laid up being unduly prolonged, the Committee may subsequently require a general examination in order that they may be satisfied that the vessels are not being neglected, and are eligible to retain their classification in the Society's Register Book, whilst laid up.

As it would appear that due care is being taken of this Company's vessels, I have the pleasure to say that the Committee are prepared to waive the general examination for the present, which they previously asked the Owners to carry out, as mentioned in my letter of the 26th April last, and will agree to the classification in the Register Book remaining undisturbed if the Owners will be good enough to furnish a written assurance that all overdue surveys and outstanding repairs will be completed before the vessels proceed to sea, and that in the event of the vessels being sold, they will inform the purchasers of this undertaking, and promptly advise the Society of the name and address of the purchasers.

The Committee will be glad if you will make the position quite clear to the Owners, and trust they will have no objection to giving the necessary assurance with a view to the retention of the vessels' classes with this Society.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

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Classification Committee.

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