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71, Fenchurch Street, E.C. 3.

22nd March, 1935.

Dear Sirs,

With reference to your letter of the 7th instant, and to the visit paid to this office by Mr. Wilson, of Messrs. Wilson & Burletson, your Superintending Engineers, respecting the cases of your steamers "BRONSGROVE", "VECTIS" and "WEAR", I have now to inform you that the application which you have made for an extension to be granted in respect of the classification of these vessels has been under the consideration of the Committee at their meeting to-day.

The Committee desire me to say that your request is a very unusual one, having regard to the circumstances of these cases, and they very much regret that they do not see how they can possibly agree to granting the extension desired.

As you are aware, the year of grace allowed for the completion of the Second Special Survey No. 3 of the s.s. "BRONSGROVE" has already expired, and as the vessel is at present laid up they can only agree to her class being maintained on the condition that you will furnish

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"EROMSGROVE", "VECTIS" and "WEAR"

the usual letter of undertaking which has been forwarded, through the Society's Surveyors at Newcastle, for your signature.

In the case of the "VECTIS", the year of grace allowed for the completion of the Second Special Survey No.2 will not expire until the end of the present month, and as no part of this survey has yet been carried out, the Committee do not see how they can possibly agree to an extension beyond the 30th proximo.

I also take this opportunity to acknowledge the receipt of your further letter of the 18th instant respecting the s.s. "WEAR", from which I note that she has now been sold for breaking up to Messrs. The Hughes Bolckow Shipbreaking Co., Ltd., and in these circumstances the Committee have decided to make a notation of "To be broken up" against the vessel's name in the Register Book, and consequently all reference to the ship's classification will now be deleted.

I am, Dear Sirs,

Yours faithfully,

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Classification Committee.

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