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Mr Sladden

Messrs Olsen & Ugelstad,

Dear Sirs,

M/t "SIREFJELL" (L.R. Class)
M/t "HAUKEFJELL" (B.C. Class)
Carrying Petroleum in Bulk

Referring to your letter of the 24th ultimo, I have to state that the plans showing the wiring proposed for the M/t "SIREFJELL" which were submitted to this office for approval specified type "M.K." cable and were accordingly approved.

Type "M.K." is a standard German designation for a cable having rubber insulation, lead sheathing and basket weave (fine wire) armouring and meets the requirements of the Society for vessels classed for carrying petroleum in bulk.

The plans in question are as follows:-

<u>Drawing Reference</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date of Approval</u>
Siemens-Schuckert No. OAS.175	General arrangement of electric light and power circuits	27.6.49
Siemens-Schuckert No. OAS.177	General arrangement of control and communi- cation circuits	27.7.49.
Howaldtswerke No. NKE.250a	Schematic diagram of main switchboard	10.10.49.

The Society's Surveyor at Kiel verified that the cables installed in the early stages of the refit were in fact type "M.K." and at no time was the substitution of type "M.K.K." cable authorised by the Society.

It may be stated that whilst both types of cable are superficially similar in appearance, both having basket weave (fine wire), armour finish, type "M.K.K." has a Buna rubber sheath in place of a lead sheath and for this reason, ~~therefore~~, does not comply with the Society's requirements

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for tankers.

With regard to M/T "HAUKEFJELL" only one was submitted, viz. Siemens-Schuckert No. IAS.692a which also showed type "M.K." cables throughout and was approved on the 17th August, 1949.

A photostat copy of each of the plans referred to is enclosed herewith.

Yours faithfully,

Seen by Chairman

W.S.F.

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