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The Secretary,
Lloyd's Register of Shipping,
71, Fenchurch Street,
LONDON E.C.3.

Dear Sir,

t.e.s. "TROCHISCUS".

Venn Severn Emergency Diesel Crankshaft.

For the sake of good order we wish to place on record the text of our verbal conversation of the 29th ultimo (Messrs. Siggers/Howey) regarding the above.

As indicated we have recently received a request from Singapore for the supply of a replacement crankshaft for the Venn Severn 190 H.P. Emergency diesel fitted in our s.t.s. "TROCHISCUS" which ship is at present laid up in that port. Unfortunately the only shaft available to us at the present time is one which was removed from this particular ship in May 1958, due to damage of the forward end crank pin bearing journal. Before this can be returned to service it will be necessary to regrind this pin.

Before such work can be placed in hand however, it is necessary to reach agreement with your goodselves that the resulting reduction in pin diameter is acceptable and for this purpose we record our previous advice of the approximate diameters of the three journals incorporated in this shaft.

Aft (alternator end) crankpin journal	4.941"
Centre crankpin journal	4.951"
Forward (free end) crankpin journal	4.837"

Your tentative verbal agreement that this request will be

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given sympathetic consideration subject to your local Surveyor's examination, is much appreciated, and instructions are being given to

Messrs. Cochranes (Bo'ness) Ltd.,
Bo'ness.

to arrange for the machining of the pin together with the cleaning up of the others in this shaft after consultation with your local Surveyor in this area. We assume that you will contact this Surveyor and acquaint him with the circumstances involved.

In the interests of standardisation of bearings, we are anxious to restore this reduced bearing pin to a common diameter with the remaining two. We gather that you would have no objection to this step providing an electrolytic method of deposition such as Fescolising is used. Assuming therefore that your Surveyor is satisfied that the shaft has machined successfully we propose to despatch this to Messrs. Fescal Ltd., London N.7. for this attention subsequent to its machining. When this stage in the reconditioning is reached we would assure you that we shall arrange for this further work to be carried out to your full requirements and to the inspection of the local London Surveyor assigned.

In closing we would record our thanks for your help in this matter.

Yours faithfully,
For and on behalf of:
SHELL TANKERS LIMITED.

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Submitted to the owners he informed that there will be no objection to the fitting of the crankshaft in this ship provided it be examined and found in satisfactory condition after the re-grinding of the crank pin. There will be no objection to the building up of the standard bearings by means of the honed this is carried out to the bearing's satisfaction.

MR. SHILSTON.

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