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Dear Sir:

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It is noted that in the above mentioned cases, the contemplated class is made subject to the door opening in the deck house recesses being reinforced. According to our information, these recess openings were unstiffened around the edges in the earlier vessels, but in the later vessels (such as these are) there is, we understand a stiffening angle all the way around. If this is so, it would seem that this condition would not apply to these two vessels, and I shall be obliged if you will be good enough to look into the matter and confirm. In the event that you do so, amended interim certificates should be issued to the owners' agents and copies forwarded here for attachment to your report.

Yours very truly,

Principal Surveyor

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