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"CENTAURE", "JAMES NO.64", "JAMES NO.65" and "ERNI"

It is submitted Mr. Taxil be advised that the proposed service for the above vessels as intimated in the letter from Messrs. Barry-Rogliano - Salles is noted.

As the "JAMES NO.64" and "JAMES NO.65" were classed @100A1 "Hopper Barge" "For Channel Services" their class has now been altered to @100A1 "Hopper Barge" so as to remove the restriction of their service to the channel.

As the "CENTAURE" is classed @100A1 Dredger without any restriction any alteration in class is unnecessary in this case. As regards the "ERNI" this vessel is at present classed @100A1 for Harbour Services, and it is concluded her proposed service will be covered by this classification, but Mr. Taxil should confer with the Owners and confirm this. He should inform them that if this is the case there will be no alteration in the freeboard at present assigned to this vessel, ~~and also that~~ No alteration is being made in the freeboards of the other three vessels.

Freeboard certificates will, however, be issued to the vessels on arrival in France for their service, as the certificates issued at Southampton are for the voyage to Toulon only on a reduced draught.

The service freeboard certificate for the "CENTAURE" should be forwarded to the Marseilles Surveyor for issue to the vessel when the freeboards have been amended and verified, and Mr. Taxil should be informed that this is being done.

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