

STEAMER "VESTVANGEN" VESTVANGEN.

Convention and ordinary timber deck cargo freeboards have been computed on the basis of the information supplied on Form C.11, and it is submitted the form be sent, together with the freeboard certificate and certified copies, to the Oslo Surveyors.

It is also submitted they be informed that in the case of the "NORVANGEN", "AUSTVANGEN", "SOLVANGEN" and "DALVANGEN", sister ships of the "LINDVANGEN", a computation was made in this Office on the basis of the Norwegian 1909 regulations, which gave freeboards more favourable than the freeboards previously assigned to these ships by the Norske Veritas, and certificates were prepared for the former freeboards.

Consequent upon the information received from the Oslo Surveyors in their letter of the 26th August, however, it would appear that Convention freeboards, being more favourable than the existing freeboards assigned by the Norske Veritas, should be assigned to these vessels, and not the smaller freeboards computed in this Office based on the 1909 Regulations, and the Oslo Surveyors should be requested to ascertain if the freeboards shown on the certificates have been marked on the vessels, and if they have been approved by the Norwegian Authorities.

In the event of no action having been taken in the matter, Convention freeboards could be assigned to these vessels, and amended certificates have been prepared accordingly.

If the freeboards indicated on the certificates are marked on the ships and approved by the Norwegian Authorities, the Oslo Surveyors should notify this Office so that freeboards may be assigned to the sister ships "LINDVANGEN" and "VESTVANGEN" on the same basis.

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