

SOCONY-VACUUM OIL COMPANY, Inc.

26 Broadway

New York, N.Y.

May 9th, 1949

S/S TEMARA

Mr. Wm. Bennett  
Lloyd's Register of Shipping  
17 Battery Place  
New York 4, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Bennett:

Reference is made to Classification Committee's request for scaling and drilling the above mentioned vessel at the next drydocking as mentioned in their letter of April 1st and surveyors' report of 17/2/49.

After carefully checking over the drilling report of 15/9/46, it is found that the plate thickness is 20% wasted and not 25% as reported in the Committee letter.

We feel the vessel's plating of sufficient thickness to enable vessel to continue in service until the end of classification period 1951 even though there may be one or two plates below 25% of original scantlings.

We are in concurrence with the Committee about redrilling provided it can be deferred until 1951 at which time conditions and material status will have improved at Lagos or perhaps some other African port in the event some material will require replacing.

We may decide to redrill the hull prior to termination of class survey for classifying vessel's life as a cargo carrier.

It is appreciated what has been accomplished through your office and we are now looking forward for some consideration from the Committee at London.

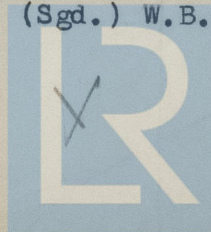
Very truly yours

MARINE CONSTRUCTION & REPAIR DIVISION  
(Sgd.) W.B. Jupp, Manager

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Enclosure - Two Drilling Charts

cc: Mr. Hill, West Africa Div.



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