

# REPORT ON ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.

(OTHER THAN FOR THE PROPULSION OF THE VESSEL)

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 No. in Survey held at New Jersey & Brooklyn, New York Date, First Survey May 16<sup>th</sup> Last Survey June 29<sup>th</sup> 1940  
 Reg. Book. 90502 on the S/S VALIENTE EX. OBRIEN BROTHERS (Number of Visits 10)  
 Built at Portsmouth, N.H. By whom built Atlantic Corporation Yard No. 6 When built 1920  
 Owners Compania Diana De Vapores S.A. Port belonging to PANAMA  
 Electric Light Installation fitted by ✓ Contract No. ✓ When fitted 1920  
 Is the Vessel fitted for carrying Petroleum in bulk NO

System of Distribution 2 wire  
 Pressure of supply for Lighting 110 volts, Heating NONE volts, Power NONE volts.  
 Direct or Alternating Current, Lighting DIRECT Power ✓

If alternating current system, state frequency of periods per second ✓  
 Has the Automatic Governor been tested and found efficient when the whole load is suddenly thrown on or off YES  
 Generators, do they comply with the requirements regarding temperature rise yes, are they compound wound yes  
 are they over compounded 5 per cent. ✓, if not compound wound state distance between each generator ✓  
 Where more than one generator is fitted are they arranged to run in parallel NO, is an adjustable regulating resistance fitted in series with each shunt field yes Have certificates of test results for machines under 100 kw. been submitted and approved ✓ Have machines over 100 kw. been inspected by the Surveyors during manufacture and testing ✓

Are all terminals accessible, clearly marked, and furnished with sockets YES, are they so spaced or shielded that they cannot be accidentally earthed, short circuited, or touched YES Are the lubricating arrangements of the generators as per Rule YES

Position of Generators starboard side of engine room, bottom platform, is the ventilation in way of the generators satisfactory YES are they clear of all inflammable material YES if situated near unprotected woodwork or other combustible material, state distance of same horizontally from or vertically above the generators ✓ and are the generators protected from mechanical injury and damage from water, steam or oil yes, are their axes of rotation fore and aft one fore & aft and one athwartship Earthing, are the bedplates and frames of the generating plant efficiently earthed yes are the prime movers and their respective generators in metallic contact yes

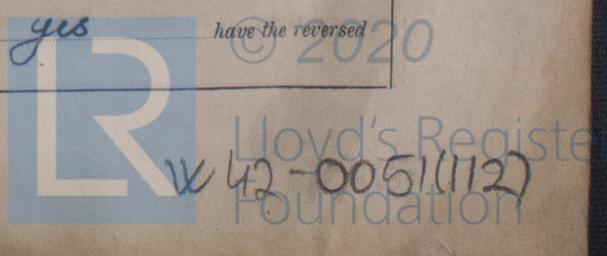
Main Switch Boards, where placed starboard side of engine room, bottom platform  
 If the generators and main switchboard are not placed in the same compartment, is each generator provided with fuse on each insulated pole as near as possible to the terminals of the generator, additional to that provided on the main switchboard ✓

Switchboards, are they placed in accessible positions, free from inflammable gases and acid fumes yes, are they protected from mechanical injury and damage from water, steam or oil yes, if situated near unprotected woodwork or other combustible material, state distance of same horizontally from or vertically above the switchboards ✓ and ✓, are they constructed wholly of durable, non-ignitable non-absorbent materials yes, is all insulation of high dielectric strength and of permanently high insulation resistance yes, is it of an approved type yes, if semi-insulating material is used, are all conducting parts insulated from the slab with mica or micanite or other non-hygroscopic insulating material, and the slab similarly insulated from its framework ✓, is the non-hygroscopic insulating material of an approved type ✓, and is the frame effectively earthed yes Are the fittings as per Rule regarding:— spacing or shielding of live parts

yes, accessibility of all parts yes, absence of fuses on back of board YES, temperature rise of busbars YES, individual fuses to voltmeter, pilot or earth lamp yes, are moving parts of switches alive in the "off" position NO, are all screws and nuts securing connections effectively locked yes are any fuses fitted on the live side of switches no

Main Switchgear, description of switchgear for each generator and each outgoing circuit, and arrangement of equalizer switches 2 pole switches (knife type) and circuit breaker for each generator, also double pole switch for each outgoing circuit.  
 Are turbines driven generators fitted with emergency trip switch as per rule ✓ Are cupboards or compartments containing switchboards composed of non-resisting material or lined with approved material yes Instruments on main switchboard 2 ammeters 1 voltmeters no synchronising device for paralleling purposes. For compound machines is the ammeter connected on the opposite pole to equaliser connection ✓

Earth Testing, state what means are provided at the main switchboard for indicating the state of the insulation of the system Lamps. Switches, Circuit Breakers and Fusible Cut-outs, do these comply with the requirements of the Rules yes are the fusible cutouts of an approved type yes have the reversed



current protection devices been tested under working conditions  **Joint Boxes, Section and Distribution Boards, is the construction, protection, insulation, material, and position of these as per rule** *yes*

**Cables:** Single, twin, concentric, or multicore *single twin* are the cables insulated and protected as per Tables IV, V, X or XI of the Rules *yes*

If the cables are insulated otherwise than as per Rule, are they of an approved type  **Fall of Pressure, state maximum between bus bars and any point of the installation under maximum load** *5%* **Cable Sockets, are the ends of all cables having a sectional area of 0.04 square inch and above provided with soldering sockets** *yes* **Paper Insulated and Varnished Cambric Insulated Cables.**

If conductors are paper or varnished cambric insulated, is the dielectric at the exposed ends of the conductor protected from moisture by being suitably sealed with insulating compound , or waterproof insulating tape  **Cable Runs, are the cables fixed as far as possible in accessible positions not exposed to drip or accumulation of water or oil, or to high temperature from boilers, steam pipes, uptakes or other hot objects, or to avoidable risk of mechanical damage** *yes* Are cables in machinery spaces, galleys, laundries, bathrooms and lavatories lead covered or run in conduit *metal conduit*

**Support and Protection of Cables, state how the cables are supported and protected** *metal conduit*

If cables are run in wood casings, are the casings and caps secured by screws , are the cap screws of brass , are the cables run in separate grooves  If armoured and lead covered cables are secured by metal clips, are the clips spaced as per Table VIII

**Refrigerated Chambers, are the cables and fittings in accordance with the special requirements**

**Joints in Cables, state if any, and how made, insulated, and protected** *metal watertight junction boxes*

**Watertight Glands and Deck Tubes, are all cables passing through decks and watertight bulkheads provided with deck tubes or watertight glands** *none* **Bushes in Beams and Non-watertight Partitions, where unarmoured cables pass through beams and non-watertight partitions, are the holes efficiently bushed**  state the material of which the bushes are made

**Earthing Connections, state what earthing connections are fitted and their respective sectional areas** *none* are their connections made as per Rule

**Alternative Lighting, are the groups of lights in the propelling machinery space arranged as per Rule** *yes* **Emergency Supply, state position and method of control of the emergency supply and how the generator is driven** *NONE*

**Navigation Lamps, are these separately wired** *YES*, controlled by separate switch and separate fuses *YES*, are the fuses double pole *YES*, are the switches and fuses grouped in a position accessible only to the officers on watch *YES* has each navigation lamp an automatic indicator as per Rule *YES* **Secondary Batteries, are they constructed and fitted as per Rule** *NONE*

**Fittings, are all fittings on weather decks, in stokeholds and engine rooms and wherever exposed to drip or condensed moisture, watertight** *YES*, are any fittings placed in spaces in which goods are liable to be stacked in close proximity to them; if so, how are they protected *NONE*

are any fittings placed in spaces where inflammable or explosive dust or gases are liable to be present, if so, how are they protected *NONE*, how are the cables led

where are the controlling switches situated

are all fittings suitably ventilated *YES*, are all switches and lampholders constructed wholly of non-ignitable, non-absorbent materials *YES*

**Heating and Cooking Appliances, are they constructed and fitted as per Rule** *NONE*, are air heaters constructed and fitted as per Rule

**Searchlight Lamps, No. of** *1*, whether fixed or portable *fixed*, are their fittings as per Rule *yes*

**Arc Lamps, other than searchlight lamps, No. of** , are their live parts insulated from the frame or case , are their fittings as per Rule

**Motors, are their working parts readily accessible** *NONE*, are the coils self-contained and readily removable for replacement , are the brushes, brush holders, terminals and lubricating arrangements as per Rule , are the motors placed in well-ventilated compartments in which inflammable gases cannot accumulate and clear of all inflammable material , are they protected from mechanical injury and damage from water, steam or oil , are their axes of rotation fore and aft , if situated near unprotected woodwork or other combustible material, are the motors of the totally enclosed, pipe ventilated, forced draught, drip or flame proof type , if not of this type, state distance of the combustible material horizontally or vertically above the motors  and

have machines of over 100 BHP been inspected by the Surveyors during manufacture and testing  **Control Gear and Resistances, are the generator field and motor speed regulators, starters and controllers constructed and fitted as per Rule**  **Lightning Conductors, where lightning conductors are required, are these fitted as per Rule**  **Ships carrying Oil having a Flash Point less than 150° F. Have the special requirements of the Rules been complied with regarding switches, joint boxes, section and distribution boards, protection of cables, method of distribution, lead of cables, lights and fittings**  are all fuses of the filled cartridge type  are they of an approved type

If portable lamps for use in dangerous spaces are supplied, are they of a self-contained, battery-fed type approved by the Home Office

**Spare Gear, if the vessel is for open sea service have spares been supplied as per Rule** *YES*

PARTICULARS OF GENERATING PLANT.								
DESCRIPTION OF GENERATOR.	No. of	RATED AT			Revs. per Min.	DRIVEN BY	WHERE DRIVEN BY AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE.	
		Kilowatts.	Volts.	Ampères.			Fuel Used.	Flash Point of Fuel.
MAIN	1	125	125	96	400	Vertical steam engines	-	-
AUXILIARY	✓							
EMERGENCY	✓							
ROTARY TRANSFORMER	✓							

DESCRIPTION.	CONDUCTORS.		COMPOSITION OF STRAND.		TOTAL MAXIMUM CURRENT. AMPERES.		Approximate Length. (Lead and Return.) Feet.	Insulated with	HOW PROTECTED.
	No. per Pole.	Total Nominal Area per Pole Sq. Ins.	No.	Diameter.	In Circuit.	Rule.			
MAIN GENERATOR	1	1659	19	.105	120	209	60	Rubber covered double braid.	Metal conduit
EQUALISER CONNECTIONS	✓								
AUXILIARY GENERATOR	✓								
EMERGENCY GENERATOR	✓								
ROTARY TRANSFORMER MOTOR GENERATOR	✓								
ENGINE ROOM	1	0032	1	.064	10	15	200	Rubber & double cotton cover	Metal conduit
BOILER ROOM	1	0032	1	.064	8	15	250	"	"
AUXILIARY SWITCHBOARDS	✓								
Navigation feeders	1	0082	10	.082	5	28	300	Rubber & double cotton cover	Metal conduit
ACCOMMODATION midship	1	0206	7	.162	10	52	150	Rubber & double cotton cover	Metal conduit
" fore	1	0206	7	.162	4	52	225	"	"
WIRELESS	1	0206	7	.162	10	52	150	Rubber & double cotton cover	Metal conduit
SEARCHLIGHT	1	0206	7	.162	3.5	52	160	"	"
MASTHEAD LIGHT	1	0032	1	.064	1.2	15	320	"	"
SIDE LIGHTS	1	0032	1	.064	1	15	60	"	"
COMPASS LIGHTS	1	0032	1	.064	1/2	15	20	"	"
POOP LIGHTS	1	0032	1	.064	10	15	300	"	"
CARGO LIGHTS	1	0032	1	.064	8	15	250	"	"
ARC LAMPS	✓								
HEATERS	✓								

DESCRIPTION.	No. of Motors.	CONDUCTORS.		COMPOSITION OF STRAND.		TOTAL MAXIMUM CURRENT. AMPERES.		Approximate Length. (Lead and Return.) Feet.	Insulated with	HOW PROTECTED.
		No. Per Pole.	Total Nominal Area per Pole Sq. Ins.	No.	Diameter.	In Circuit.	Rule.			
BALLAST PUMP	✓									
MAIN BILGE LINE PUMPS	✓									
GENERAL SERVICE PUMP	✓									
EMERGENCY BILGE PUMP	✓									
SANITARY PUMP	✓									
CIRC. SEA WATER PUMPS	✓									
CIRC. FRESH WATER PUMPS	✓									
AIR COMPRESSOR	✓									
FRESH WATER PUMP	✓									
ENGINE TURNING GEAR	✓									
ENGINE REVERSING GEAR	✓									
LUBRICATING OIL PUMPS	✓									
OIL FUEL TRANSFER PUMP	✓									
WINDLASS	✓									
WINCHES, FORWARD	✓									
WINCHES, AFT	✓									
STEERING GEAR—										
(a) MOTOR GENERATOR	✓									
(b) MAIN MOTOR	✓									
WORKSHOP MOTOR	✓									
VENTILATING FANS	✓									

All Conductors are of annealed copper conforming to British Standard Specification No. 7 (or International Electro-technical Commission Publication No. 28).

The Insulated Conductors are guaranteed to withstand the immersion and resistance tests specified in the Rules.

The foregoing is a correct description.

Electrical Engineers.

Date

COMPASSES.

Distance between electric generators or motors and standard compass

150 feet.

Distance between electric generators or motors and steering compass

154 feet.

The nearest cables to the compasses are as follows:—

A cable carrying  $\frac{8}{8}$  Ampères 2 feet from standard compass 8 feet from steering compass.

A cable carrying  $\frac{4}{4}$  Ampères 4 feet from standard compass 11 feet from steering compass.

A cable carrying 4 Ampères 8 feet from standard compass 18 feet from steering compass.

Have the compasses been adjusted with and without the electric installation at work at full power *yes*

Has the effect of switching on and off circuits, motors and other electro-magnetic apparatus within the vicinity of the compasses been noted

The maximum deviation due to electric currents was found to be  degrees on  course in the case of the standard compass, and  degrees on  course in the case of the steering compass.

Builder's Signature.

Date

Is this installation a duplicate of a previous case

If so, state name of vessel

General Remarks (State quality of workmanship, opinions as to class, &c. *The electric wiring & generators*)

*have been examined and tested to rule requirements and the workmanship found to be good. The generators and installation tested under working conditions on full load and in our opinion is in good and safe working condition.*

Total Capacity of Generators *27* Kilowatts.

The amount of Fee ...

£ 75 :

When applied for,

JUL 10 1940

Travelling Expenses (if any) £ :

When received.

31.7.1940

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Committee's Minute

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Assigned

*Electric light*

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