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FROM SHIP'S SAFETY COMMITTEE
TO PORT SAFETY COMMITTEE
SUBJECT MINUTES JULY MONTHLY SAFETY MEETING

VESSEL S.S. EXXON LEXINGTON
PORT AT SEA
DATE 7/10/78

DEAR SIRs:

ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 1040 HOURS, THE S.S. EXXON LEXINGTONS, SHIP SAFETY MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT.

H. G. MCCARTNEY, MASTER
R. A. OAKES, CH. MATE
R. A. BUTTNER, 2ND MATE
G. R. DECAIRES, 3RD MATE
R. B. HURLEY, RADIO OFFICER
R. L. SCHUMETZ, DECK CADET
E. C. SHULTZ, A. B.

S. J. MULAK, CH. ENGR.
T. M. ELLENWOOD III 1ST ENGR
J. E. CARROLL, 2ND ENGR.
W. A. GOMEZ, 3RD ENGR.
J. L. MARRERO, STEWARD
G. E. BIRK, ENGINE CADET

THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING WERE READ AND APPROVED.

THE ENGINEERS, HAVE INSTALLED AN ALARM SYSTEM WHICH WILL BE ACTIVATED IN CASE OF FLOODING IN THE MIDSHIP AIR CONDITION COMPRESSOR ROOM. THIS IS TO BE STENCILLED "NOTIFY ENGINEERS IF THIS ALARM GOES OFF".

IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT THE CREW SHOULD TAKE ANOTHER GOOD LOOK AT THE SAFETY FILM NOW ON BOARD, ON THE DANGERS OF H2S.

THERE WAS A DISCUSSION ON THE PSC LETTER OF MAY 31, 1978. THE PRESENT MASTER SENT THE LETTER FROM THE EXXON BALTIMORE. POSSIBLY THERE WAS AN ERROR IN HIS LETTER, THE BUTTON HE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT WAS AT THE DOCK AT BENICIA, CALIFORNIA. THIS BUTTON IS PLACED ON THE RAIL NEAR THE GANGWAY, WITH A SIGN READING "EMERGENCY SHUT DOWN". IF SOMEONE ACCIDENTALLY HIT THAT BUTTON WHILE THE SHIP IS DISCHARGING, THE SHORE VALVES WOULD THEN SHUT DOWN AGAINST THE SHIP'S PUMPS. THE SIGN IS MISLEADING IT SHOULD READ "EMERGENCY SHORE VALVE SHUT DOWN ONLY"

THE NON SKID MATERIAL ON THE GANGWAY AT VALDEZ PERTAINS ONLY TO THE MATERIAL THAT THEY PUT DOWN ON TOP OF THE BUILT IN STEPS WHEN THEY HAVE HEAVY SNOW. HOWEVER IT HAS BEEN AN ITEM ON THIS VESSEL FOR ABOUT FIVE YEARS, THE FORE AND AFT WALKWAY ON THIS VESSEL, ALL THE NONSKID GRATINGS ARE NON SKID IN THE WRONG DIRECTION. THE NON SKID IS PLACED FORE AND AFT, INSTEAD OF ATHWARTSHIP, AND THERE HAVE BEEN MANY SLIPPING COMPLAINTS WHEN IT IS WET. THIS ITEM HAS BEEN DOWN FOR REPAIR PERIODS AND HAS BEEN XXXED OUT OF THE REPAIR LIST. SHOULD WE TRY AND HAVE IT DONE AGAIN OR CONTINUE TO TREAT FOR CUTS AND BRUISES FROM SLIPS AND FALLS ON THE CATWALK ??

THERE HAS BEEN NO LOST TIME ACCIDENTS SINCE OUR LAST MEETING. DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORT NO KNOWN HAZARDS IN THEIR DEPARTMENTS, EXCEPT AS NOTED ABOVE.

THER BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THIS MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1110 THIS DAY.

YOURS TRULY

S. J. Mulak
CH. ENGR.

H. G. McCartney
MASTER