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April 19, 1944

From: Lieut Charles G. PAHUD, USNR
Commanding Officer, Naval Armed Guard
(c/o Armed Guard Center, New Orleans, La.)
SS ABIQUA, Gross Tons 10,172
To: Chief of Naval Operations.
Via: Port Director, Houston, Texas
Subj: Report of voyage, SS ABIQUA, from New York to
Baytown, Texas.
Ref: (a) General Instructions for Commanding Officers of
Naval Armed Guards on Merchant Ships 1943, Paragraph
4301, 4307.

1. In accordance with reference (a), the following information
is submitted:

- (a) Type of vessel: Tanker; Type of Cargo: None
Owner of vessel: W.S.A. Chartered to: Cities Service Company.
- (b) Port of departure: New York; April 13, 1944
Independent
Port of arrival: Baytown, Texas; April 19, 1944
- (c) There was no contact with the enemy.
- (d) There were no incidents out of routine.
The speed of the vessel was 14 Knots
No lights were shown.
The vessel zig zagged in accordance with instructions.
- (e) The vessel was not delayed in port.
- (f) The Commercial Radio Operator appeared to carry out wartime
radio instructions.
- (g) There are no defects or deficiencies.
- (h) The Master and Officers of the ship carried out "Wartime
Instructions for U.S. Merchant Vessels."
- (i) There are no recommendations to submit.
- (j) No improper procedure on the part of friendly aircraft was
noted.

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