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EXCERPT FROM BOARDING REPORT WHICH MAY BE OF INTEREST TO BUSHIPS:

"Captain Hudgins stated that on May 2 at 0325 the shell plating of the subject vessel cracked through the sheer strake and through two plates below on each side. For eight days before this accident there had been heavy wind and seas, and when it happened there was a southwest wind of force 8-9, and the ship was pitching heavily in 30 ft. seas. These seas were coming from dead ahead.

In the opinion of the Captain, this would not have occurred had the commodore slowed down, the convoy. Although turning over 65 R.P.M., which should produce a speed of 11 knots in still water, subject vessel averaged 3.2 knots over the ground the day before the crack occurred."

SOURCE: 3ND Boarding Report, SS BROCKHOLST LIVINGSTON (US), dated 6/16/43.

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