



Office **Devolved Class, Houston**  
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### CONFIRMATION OF CLASS

This is to certify that, according to current information available in this office:

Ship **RIO GRANDE**  
L.R. number **6900305**  
Gross tonnage **4,248**  
Date of build **1969/04**

Maintains the class;

**✕100A1**  
**bitumen and oil carrier**  
**Ice Class 2**  
**Max draught midship 5.771m**  
**Max draught aft 5.771m**  
**Max draught forward 5.771m**  
**✕LMC**  
**UMS**

The vessel is currently laid up at Dominican Republic with the notation Laid Up Surveys Overdue 23/04/2005 and is undergoing surveys by Lloyds Register Central & South America, for reactivation and conversion to +100A1 bitumen and oil carrier, Marpol 13H (1) (b), Ice Class 2, Max draught forward (FP) 5.771m, Max draught aft (AP) 5.771m, ESP +LMC UMS and in this respect the surveyor's reports and recommendations to the Committee are awaited.

The Committee has agreed that for the present, the class will not be disturbed however, all Classification matters must be complied with before reactivation, or sailing from lay up for maintenance of class. LR is to be advised before reactivation or sailing from lay up for any reason so that appropriate survey requirements can be forwarded. Any outstanding accounts will require to be paid prior to reactivation. In the event of the vessel being sold the Owners should, in their own interest, inform all interested parties of the survey requirements. Failure to do this may result in the Committee needing to suspend class because the vessel had sailed with the new Owners unaware of the survey requirements.

The listings issued by Lloyd's Register to the owner on a quarterly basis, or the ClassDirect Live web site and the Interim Certificates issued on completion of classification surveys, will provide specific details of the classification status, including any conditions of class.

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