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Mike Prince, Bob Knox and the UNOLS Council
UNOLS Office

VIA EMAIL: office@unols.org

I am sending you the summary sheet of our NSF inspection from JMS Naval Architects. The inspection was conducted on the R/V Savannah on the 4th & 5th of October 2001. The R/V Savannah was found to be in compliance with the UNOLS Research Vessel Safety Standards, in good condition and fit for service in the UNOLS fleet. I would be happy to send a complete copy of the Vessel Inspection Report if you desire one. We are hopeful that you will accept the R/V Savannah into the UNOLS Research Fleet. Please contact me if you need further information.

Sincerely,

Braxton Tesh
Superintendent of Marine Operations

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Attachment
R/V SAVANNAH

This is to certify that JMS did, at the request of Skidaway Institute of Oceanography, conduct a general condition survey of the R/V SAVANNAH on the 4th and 5th of October 2001 in Savannah, GA. The following personnel were present during the survey:

Skidaway Institute of Oceanography

Braxton Tesh Superintendent of Plant & Marine Operations
Travis McKissick Senior Marine Technician

R/V SAVANNAH

Raymond Sweatie Master
Michael Richter First Mate
Raymond Thomas Engineer

Various other SKIO and vessel personnel were also in attendance.

The following report follows the format of the NSF Ship Condition Form and is a summary of conditions found. The results of this survey find that:

1. The R/V SAVANNAH is in compliance with the UNOLS Research Vessel Safety Standards. However, several areas for improvement are noted for attention in this report and in the Summary of Recommendations.

2. The R/V SAVANNAH is being maintained in a condition which meets or exceeds the standards usually expected of a research vessel of this size and service. The vessel is in a good state of material condition and is being maintained adequately.

3. The R/V SAVANNAH is fit for continued service.

For JMS,

John M. Ringelberg
Senior Inspector

T. Blake Powell
Inspector

G.W.B.
Science Inspector