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Your Ref:

Our Ref: D/NHB 9/1/8A

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Dear Mr Knight,

Thank you for your letter regarding the CHALLENGE.

First, please accept my apologies for the delay in replying. Each day we receive several letters and, owing to a variety of reasons, a large backlog of unanswered ones has built up. It is only now that I have been able to deal with yours.

We do recognise the CHALLENGE as one of the ships that took part in the Dunkirk evacuation.

A copy of our entry for her part in the operation is enclosed. As you can see, very little is recorded for her. However, I have enclosed copies of the part played by the other tugs with her - where they mention her directly or indirectly - as they help to build up a picture.

I am sorry that I cannot be more helpful.

Yours sincerely,

*D. Ashby*

David Ashby