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Dear Larry;

Recently my son and I took our first trip to the Bahamas in our 34 foot center console made by your company. Since it was his 31st birthday he was looking forward to the crossing and a few days alone with his Dad.

We arrived on Thursday in Fort Lauderdale to get the boat fueled and all the essentials put on board, with the intent to get an early Friday departure for the roughly 60 mile trip to Bimini. Well as so often it turns out, the November Northeast winds picked up and NOAA called for 6 to 8 feet offshore. That usually means you can add a percentage of that on top for the Gulfstream moving opposite the wind. Having confidence in the boat and wearing protective gear and life jackets we decided to see how well this boat handled the high quartering seas.

I was especially interested in testing it against my last boat, a 55 foot Viking sportfish which we had recently sold. Amazing, the boat never shook or rattled like the large 55 Viking. It was all of 8 in the middle of the stream but the hull cut through the seas like knife going through butter. Yes, we got a little wet, but never felt like we were in any danger. Coming back, the seas seemed a little higher, but we ran through the troughs and depending on which side of the wall of water we were on, we did 16 to 22 knots with as much safety as was needed.

You have built a solid boat that you should be proud of and know that when the families that buy this craft go out to sea, they can take comfort that all will arrive safe and sound.

Sincerely,



Dale Garner Jacobs