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HUNTER MARINE

Recently I discovered the galley floor in my Hunter Passage 450 was very spongy. Upon investigation, I found the entire deck had rotted, owing to a broken drain elbow under the refrigerator that had been allowing water to seep up into the bottom of the deck. During last year's haulout at Sailors Wharf in St.

Petesburg, Fla., I had the entire

deck replaced. I asked Hunter if

they would help defray the cost, as it seemed the breakage could only have happened in the construction process. I really wasn't expecting much from them, as I was the second owner, and the boat was six years old.

The folks at Hunter couldn't have been nicer. After submitting the work order, they paid a substantial amount toward the repairs. This isn't my first good experience with Hunter, in fact,

it's my third boat from them. Only once before have I had a problem that required the factory to get involved. And this time, they came through and helped me out. That's one big reason why I am on my third boat with them, and why I'll return for a fourth, when the time comes!

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