

**testimony**

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**From:** William Bow [boww001@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:23 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** Superferry

Gentlemen,

We are in favor of the Superferry. The State needs an alternative means of transportation to the neighbor islands!

Sincerely,  
Kathy & William Bow  
816 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

10/23/2007

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**From:** Ddocvjm@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:22 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Maui medical community support for the Superferry

I am a physician practicing on Maui and I support the Superferry. The medical community here on Maui feels that the Superferry would provide much needed transportation for our patients that are unable to fly to receive care off island. Also, we feel the Superferry would be a great asset in times of emergency. The Superferry can and will save many lives and will improve the lives of countless island residents.

Thank you very much for your time.

Dr. Vincent Mirarchi  
Wailuku, HI

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**From:** Robin Kimura [Greenwood@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:23 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super ferry

**The stoppage of the Super Ferry is appalling. What the hell are we doing? This is indicative of how business in general is run in the state of HI. Let's get of the pot now and do something positive for businesses to run more efficiently. I am sick and tired of all these groups causing more bad than good. Why don't we let them run the government and see where it get's us? Let eh ferry sail!**

**testimony**

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**From:** lmats@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:22 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Super Ferry

This is being sent to show my support for the Hawaii Super Ferry. Allowing the Super Ferry to operate in the State of Hawaii will allow its residents to have a choice in how they want to travel between islands instead of relying only on the airlines. I am also in favor of allowing the Super Ferry to operate while an environmental study is being conducted. Mahalo.  
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**From:** wjalderman@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:22 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super ferry

Yes, the Super ferry, is great for the Islands, and do less harm then Matson Barges? Stopping the ferry will only harm Hawaii.

Mahalo William J. Alderman 497-5413

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**From:** Mary Ann Emmons [tutumae@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:15 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** One FOR . . .

Count me in favorite of the Superferry.

Mary Ann Emmons  
Kailua-Kona, Hawaii

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**From:** JoeCool60Vette@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:22 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super ferry!

I live Hilo, Hawaii and want to give my support for the Super ferry. We really need something like this. My wife and I fly to Oahu every month to go shopping. We would love to buy larger items that we could back with us on the supper ferry. Right now our only choice is to ship with Young Brothers shipping. Who in my opinion are over priced and super SLOW. 🙄

Please give us the SUPER FERRY.

Joe Richardson

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**From:** Dave Garza [ogglazier@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 8:55 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** My wife and I both are in favor of the Hawaii Superferry.

Hawaii all its islands will benefit having the Super Ferry service all of Hawaii's people. David and Linda Garza of Ewa Beach, Hi.

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**From:** LPIgnacio [lpignacio@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:20 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

**Senate Committee, Energy and Environment**

I am in favor of the Hawaii Superferry operating during the time the the EIS is being completed. The Hawaii Superferry presents all residents of Hawaii with cheaper alternative transportation between the islands. Economically, this will help the entire State of Hawaii.

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**From:** Al Kober [akober@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:22 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

Dear Legislators,

I am in favor of the superferry and believe that it should continue to operate while an environmental impact study is conducted.

Not only will the superferry provide a much needed alternate, convenient means of travel between the islands, but will also provide competition for the airlines, which have had a monopoly on travel in the islands for too many years.

Sincerely,

Alfred E. Kober, PhD

## testimony

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**From:** Margaret [MargaretClowe@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:20 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** supperferry

Please let the Supperferry sail the Hawaiian waters. I went on the free Superferry tour. Loved it and told all my friends. Everyone said they would use the service. Visit family and friends, camp, take the soccer teams, and take the baseball teams. I believe this is what Hawaii needs. I was born and raised here and only see good things ahead for the people of Hawaii when the Ferry is up and running. Thank you, Margaret Clowe- 261-5633

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**From:** LPIgnacio [lpignacio@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:20 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

**Senate Committee, Transportation and International Affairs**

I am in favor of the Hawaii Superferry operating during the time the the EIS is being completed. The Hawaii Superferry presents all residents of Hawaii with cheaper alternative transportation between the islands. Economical, this will help the entire State of Hawaii.

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**From:** Earl Handy [koatree@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:21 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Needs the Super Ferry

**Your Honorable Committees of** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment,

The Super Ferry has been in the planning for a long time and most of the people in Hawaii, myself included, have been anticipating its arrival and operation to bring the residents of our state closer together. Opening our inter-Island borders via the superferry will only improve our economy and job situation. I look forward to riding the Ferry to the other Islands so that I can explore them by bicycle with out having to box my bike and pay extra baggage fees by flying. In fact without the ferry taking a bicycle to the other Islands is not cost effective and renting a car is less expensive! I do not see any additional environmental burden put on the state of Hawaii by the operation of this ferry. If this ferry is not allowed to operate then in my opinion all the automobiles in the state should be made to stop operating so an environmental impact statement can be made as the are far more damaging to the environment do to air pollution, water pollution from exhaust and oil run off from the roads, animal road kills, (People too) and ships bringing the fuel to Hawaii for the autos, not to mention disposal of the unserviceable vehicles and parts including tires which clog our land fills. If you shut down the ferry then you need to shut down all the other forms of polluting transportation as well which will bring the Islands to a stand still. I would actually love that as the Island would then become a quiet and safe place to live.

Mahalo,  
Earl

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**From:** Ken Takaki [kentakaki@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:21 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Supearferry

Supearferry should be allowed to operate while the environmental impact statement is conducted. Let us ignore the special interest groups trying to stop the ferry

Instead let us move with the modern times and add this attraction for our tourist who has "seen it all in Hawaii"

Sincerely,  
Ken Takaki.

**testimony**

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**From:** Barbara & Richard Price [RandBP@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:21 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry testimony

I believe it is in the best interests for the people and state of Hawaii that the Superferry be allowed to operate during the time that an environmental impact assessment.

The issues of traffic congestion in the ports of Kahului and Nawiliwili are small, especially when compared with the traffic from freight shipping and cruise ships. The Princess cruise lines has their largest ship come into these harbors. That is almost 5000 people at one time looking for car rentals, buses and taxis, and a good deal of foot traffic, as well.

The Superferry is the first modern interisland boat service and will be a boon to families that find it a hardship to get together because they live on different islands.

With the increased restrictions and prices for air travel, the Superferry offers an alternative that we in the state need.

There are many ferries in Seattle and Vancouver that have been operating in and around whales for years. We have the knowledge to do the environmental impact assessment quickly and with experience. We are not breaking new ground, except economically.

Please vote to permit the Superferry to operate while the environmental assessment is being conducted.

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Barbara's Cell 808-203-0235  
Richard's Cell 808-203-9750

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**From:** karlai@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:20 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** superferry

I am in support of the superferry!!!

karla izuka

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**From:** Alyshaarlene@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:20 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Re: Superferry

To: Whom it May Concern:

I support the superferry. Why because we should try it and to see if we like it or not.

Thank you!

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**From:** Ella [ekr@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:20 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry hearing

Dear Senate Committee,

I support the bill that will permit inter-island ferry service in Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

I am for the ferry because I won't have to find a dog sitter (It's very difficult sometimes) if/when I visit my friends and relatives on the other islands. I had my dog flown to the big island once and the experience was traumatic for both my dog and myself - the airline put my dog in a flight 9 hours after my flight even though I was promised that he would be in the same flight. I would never fly my dog to the neighbor island again.

Regards,  
Ella Raney

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**From:** HawaiianIsleinsp@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:20 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super ferry

To all concerned,

I am a home inspector. With the use of the super ferry I would be able to service clients on the outer islands.

With use of my own vehicle, would not have to rent a car and hotel and I would be able to pass the savings on my clients. I would still be able to reside here on the Big Island and not have to relocate to any other Island.

Thank you  
Roger Tavares  
Hawaiian Isles Inspections  
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808-557-7385 cell  
808-982-5575 fax  
[hawaiianisleinsp@aol.com](mailto:hawaiianisleinsp@aol.com)

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**From:** LPIgnacio [lpignacio@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:18 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

**Senate Committee, Judiciary and Labor**

I am in favor of the Hawaii Superferry operating during the time the the EIS is being completed. The Hawaii Superferry presents all residents of Hawaii with cheaper alternative transportation between the islands. Economically, this will help the entire State of Hawaii.

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**From:** Robert Petersen [rpetersen80@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:13 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** hawaii Superferry

I am in favor of the Hawaii Super ferry, I believe that it is a viable asset to inter-island travel for Hawaii residents, posing no more threat than the current merchant vessels that travel routinely between the islands. I feel that it will only help inter-island commerce and allow supplies(produce) to arrive sooner and at a higher quality than ever before.

Sincerely,  
Rob Petersen

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**From:** JoyTamashiro [jtamaent@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:19 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

I think that the Superferry should be allowed to run while the EIS is being conducted. It is embarrassing and disheartening to see how the residents of Kauai treated the passengers as they tried to disembark in their vehicles. Where were these people before this? We all have something to benefit from this venture. I think it is silly to try to stop this since it has already started. I don't understand why these people are making such a fuss...it is already after the fact. Why not raise these questions before, if it such a big deal to them? I like the fact that I have an alternative to flying. It's all about having choices.

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**From:** Chuck Santiago [chuckchuckwood@juno.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:11 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry testimonial

I'm in favor of the Superferry. We need to have this system in place. I am a contractor that does business on Oahu and the Big Island. Also I do recreational races on different islands. This above would apply to many of our states residents. Also, having this system in place could be benefical in a case of emergency.

I'M FOR THE  
SUPERFERRY!!

**testimony**

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**From:** Bernie Tangalin [bnapua2@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:12 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** Support of Superferry

I am in support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

Bernie Tangalin

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**From:** ron cardinal [cardinalr001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:19 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** super ferry

I think that the opponents of the ferry are missing a huge point that has not been stated yet. Does anyone remember hurricane iniki? Remember how long it took to start the recovery and how hard it was to bring in supplies? The Super ferry would be able deliver men and materials more efficiently than waiting for the airports to reopen and aid to start. I think ego's have taken the place of common sense in this matter. We need to set aside these petty grievances and welcome what could be a life line in future disasters.

mahalo

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**From:** JDSPohakea@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:18 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** SUPERFERRY BOAT.

*MY FAMILY AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE FERRY AT WORK. IF KAUAI DON'T WANT THEM,  
THEN DUMP THEM AND COME TO HONOLULU, MAUI AND THE BIG ISLAND. WE WANT YOU.  
THANK-YOU,  
jdspohakea@aol.com*

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**From:** Sean McWilliams [sean.itconsultants@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:19 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

I am in support of the Superferry operating as an environmental impact statement is done.

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

Sean McWilliams  
1765 Hale O Lani Str  
Hilo, HI 96720

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**From:** carol [carolh@fsthawaii.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:16 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** hawaii needs the super ferry

aloha!

I'm hoping you can keep the Super Ferry in Hawaii. It will really help with the tourism industries along with other business. i have a wholesale company here in Kona. and I am looking forward in receiving my Maui freight via super ferry. the Maui farmers having a hard time shipping with Young Brothers. they want container loads and not small pallet loads. maybe we can pick up our own products from Maui or farmers can deliver them to us.

sincerely,

Carol Hamada

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**From:** marlene [shukar60@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:18 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** ferry

Please we need the ferry

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**From:** eric cassera [cassera\_ric@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:00 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I wholeheartedly support the superferry

Dear sirs/madam,

I definitely support the super ferry in getting interisland ferry services throughout these beautiful islands because it is a good way in getting the islands in line with each other so that each islands will be on a progressive road. These environmentalist blame the superferry because they say it will spoil the environment. Well that's a bunch of bullshit, they are the ones who are hindering the progress of these islands by preventing the superferry from operating. What about all those other boats and ships in the harbor? How come they are being permitted to operate and the supeer ferry is not being permitted to operate. I see there is some discrimination here. The super ferry is good for the state of hawaii because it is good to bring the outer islands into alignment with each other. Let us keep the super ferry and get rid of these environmentalist that are a few compared to the majority who wants the super ferry. Eric Cassera Tripler Army Hospital

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**From:** Gilbert Valverde [dynamicsoundz1@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:28 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** hawaii super ferry

Aloha

My name is Gilbert Valverde I live in Ewa Beach Hi and I am in support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai*ī* while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. We as a family support the super ferry as it will provide a great form of transportation to the other island where we may have the option to take our own vehicle with out haveing to rent a car.

Thanks Gilbert

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**From:** Patti Kam [patti@pattikam.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:20 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Save the Hawaii SuperFerry!

Aloha,

I am one of many who are proponents of the Hawaii SuperFerry.

Living on the neighbor island of Hawaii, the convenience and "choice" to use the Hawaii SuperFerry would be to our benefit, beyone belief.

Our farmers, our small businesses and our citizens deserve the right to *CHOOSE* our mode of transportation.

It allows me the freedom to NOT have to lug luggage from car to check-in and baggage claim to shuttle bus and rental car. It would provide such a service, as well, to parents with children and car seats and strollers.

I think of all the money I have spent when my luggage was over allowable weight .. who can bring gifts back from our neighbor island 'ohana and ho'aloaha?

Please consider those of us who also choose not to make a scene; the silent majority.

Mahalo,

Patricia-Ann Kehaulani Olds-Kam  
P.O. Box 1048  
Volcano, Hawaii 96785



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**From:** Bill Martin [bmartin@island-styles.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:26 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

We need something to get between islands other than airplanes.

Competition is good for the business.

Since when does our legislature ignore the majority and bow down before a FEW domestic terrorists. Most of these people aren't interested in environmental issues.... they work for the airlines, baggage handlers, hotels, car rental agencies or have other economic agendas.

Its PLAIN that the majority of the residents of this STATE, that they want the SuperFerry. Giving credence to the radical element is mush- mouthed political fence-sitting.

Bill Martin

Kurtistown, HI 96760

The best computer is a man, and it's the only one that can be mass-produced by unskilled labor.

Wernher von Braun

(1912-1977) German-USA engineer. He pioneered all aspects of rocketry and space exploration, first in Germany and, after World War II, in the U.S.

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**From:** Wendy Minor [minorw001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:36 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

This email is in support of the Hawaii Superferry. The Superferry has become the symbol of what has gone wrong with Hawaii's development statewide, but the arguments against it are nonsense.  
Invasive species: they are also on the cruise ships, barges, container ships, planes and cars shipped inter-island.  
Whales: there are whale-watching boats that hit the whales, jet skis, speedboats, cruise ships, barges and many other boats capable of hitting whales

The Superferry is merely going to ferry mainly locals from one island to the other, and then back home again. I can go visit my brother on Kauai, and take my outrigger canoe and surfboard or bike along, and my dogs. Or, I could go to another island with my dogs and compete in a dog show...just load the dogs up in the car, take the ferry, and drive to the dog show...so easy.

Does that sound like I'm going to ruin the culture of another island? Actually, it truly makes it like a "neighbor island"...We are an island state and we don't have a ferry service.

The state of Washington has islands...and they can ferry from Seattle to an island...imagine that!

If the Superferry is singled out with all these manini restrictions, then every commercial plane and boat and ship has to meet those very same requirements. The Superferry is a very little boat in comparison to those very large cruise ships that travel all over the world and then come in to Honolulu harbor...and nobody checks the Carnival Cruise Line ships for invasive species.

Wendy Minor  
1165 Nahoku Place  
Honolulu, HI 96825  
808-396-0283

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**From:** Elsa Dasigo [elsadee@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:36 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry should continue

I think the superferry is a good idea and that it should continue its service here in hawaii. It will bring a lot of the Islanders a chance to travel within the states along with their vehicles and saving the people money without having to rent cars and be able to join with their families on the outer islands, Its a good way to bring the ohana together without the extra traveling expenses.

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**From:** Mel Nakama [melvinnakama@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:30 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super Ferry

I believe that disallowing the operations of the Super Ferry will not only be a detriment to our economy but it will force local residents to be captives to the soaring air fares of the past. I urge Congress to support the Super Ferry. Mahalo.

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**From:** Liza Yogi [lth.yogi@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:37 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

To Senate Sargeant at Arms:

I am now residing in Hilo and as a Real Estate Broker, I noticed how much room there is for growth. Many people will benefit from the services that they can avail of through the use of the Superferry. There is a lot of money to be made to improve the economy of the Big Island. Progress cannot be stopped but can only be delayed. For some it is a choice to stagnate but for most it is necessary for survival to welcome progress.

Sincerely,

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Liza T.H. YogiR)-Leeza  
Real Estate Broker  
Aloha Land Realty  
President and CEO  
Women Of Our World,Inc

We empower and motivate women who have little or no opportunity to express their talents.

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Fax: 808-934-0007

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**From:** JR [mothra1@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:37 PM  
**To:** testimony

let the fairy sail. 2 votes  
dont let those environMENTALists with too much free time on their hands control transportation in the state.

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Yumi Miyamae  
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**From:** stephen porter [grandizer52@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:30 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** superferry

Stephen Porter here stationed on Ford Island. My wife and I visit Kauia ALOT...Also do ALOT of training on Barking sands PMFR. I know the ferry is going to be a Asset for the military as well. Please Vote in favor of. the protests are going to wind down after a while. Lets face it...different Island...same state...the ferry isn't going to increase drug problems as bad as anyone is making it. Invasive species...again, same state. The increase in traffice is going to be so insignificant. This is the catalist that will be needed to get more waterfront development for the shipping industry

R/

MM1/SS Stephen porter  
center for anti-terrorism  
pearl harbor

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**From:** rosie [rcarpio@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:37 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

To the Senate Committee . . Judiciary & Labor, Transportation & International Affairs & Energy  
Environment  
Re: Hearing Wednesday, Oct. 24 - Hawaii Superferry.

I am a Maui resident and want my voice to be heard in favor of the Superferry. I have no one working or connected with the company, but I believe in an alternative method of transportation between our islands. Taking my automobile is a tremendous benefit when I go to visit my daughter on Oahu. I have always wanted somekind of ferry system. I also think it would boost our economy greatly.

I do believe that you, as a committee, should have an environmental study, but still allow the Superferry to run in the meantime.

I think you would be doing a tremendous service to the people of Hawaii and I would forever be grateful to you.

You have listened to the dissenters, now listen to the majority of the people in favor of having the Superferry here in our islands.

Mahalo for your consideration  
Roseline Carpio  
Maui Resident



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**From:** Irene Croft, Jr. [journeys@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:37 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Re: Let the Superferry Sail!

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

How blatantly unfair that our judiciary would suspend the Hawaii Superferry from performing the very service for which it was granted official permits through proper channels. After expenditure of millions of startup dollars, the Superferry company is being penalized, and possibly permanently crippled, because a tiny but vocal minority of no-lives have developed a recent and unfounded concern for the disruption of whale habitats. Huh? Where are the protests when interisland cruise ships or Young Brothers barges regularly approach the same ports? Hawaii is notorious for being an anti-business state, and I guess, yessirree, we're really gonna prove it this time. Bah, humbug. Let this vessel sail!

Irene Croft, Jr.  
Kailua-Kona

e not seen them attempting to stop the interisland cruise ships or Young Brother

## testimony

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**From:** Jon Matsuo [jonmatsuo@mac.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:35 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii SuperFerry Testimony

To: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment Committees  
October 22, 2007

Honorable Senators of the Above Senate Committees:

I urge the support of legislation that will allow the SuperFerry to continue to operate during the time that it takes to conduct the necessary environmental studies, for the following reasons:

1. You represent the State of Hawaii, which through numerous polls has shown that residents are overwhelmingly in favor of the SuperFerry being allowed to operate. This is what the public wants and needs.
2. You represent the State of Hawaii, which gave assurances to the company, and the community, that this company could in good faith set up business here in Hawaii, and invest millions of dollars in the process.
3. Precedents were set with other carriers for such assurances to be extended in good faith. The State Government (Judiciary) at this point seems to be acting in an arbitrary, if not political manner. The legislature can at this point restore some measure of public faith and trust in the government process by restoring balance of power and equity to the situation.
4. Because of the precedents set by other carriers, and the supposedly negligible impact on the environment, there seems to be little justification in withholding permission for a temporary permit to operate, especially given the safeguards that are being included.

I urge you to permit the SuperFerry to sail, to salvage some of our reputation as a place to do business, to take away some of the third-world stigma this brings upon all of us, and to restore some measure of faith that our government is indeed for the people, by the people.

Thank you,

Jon Matsuo  
Honolulu

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**testimony**

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**From:** Marion Douglas [douglasj011@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:39 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Ferry

Hello

I would like to go on record to support the Ferry that some very vocal people are opposing its business.

My employees and myself have to make many trips per week doing business inter-island and the time that is wasted in security lines, picking up cars, dropping off cars means money to me. If I was able to get on a ferry, with my own car, bring the things with me that I need without all the restrictions that come with air travel, I could use the travel time to go over personal /business papers or even take a nap, and be ready to roll when I arrive.

It is unimaginable to me that there would be opposition to a product that will bring jobs to the islands, allow more residents to travel more often to visit relatives, do business, bring presents or whatever they choose to bring with them.

It is difficult to think that a large boat would impact the environment using a no wake zone speed at port than would a small boat docking at a higher speed. It makes more sense to let the ferries run and watch if they, in fact, impact the environment. Why spent thousands and thousands on a 'study' when it could be done while people are employed and others getting about.

I recall that about a year ago it was decided that no Environment study was necessary.

I cannot believe that you let this company spend the money they have in good faith to bring the ferry to our Islands, crossing all the 't;s' and dotting all the i's they believed necessary and then you dump on them.

While I was in NY a few months ago, it was brought to my attention by the locals, about the Ferry coming to 'my' Islands. People were telling me that when they came to Hawaii, they planned to take the ferry. Myself and some of my friends were planning a few off island trips, (some already have tickets) just for R and R. these are trips we would not normally take.

The hub-bub surrounding the Ferry is embarrassing to me as I realize that the rest of the US is watching this. When will someone use some common sense and take the emotion out of this sound business opportunity and tourist attraction?

Marion Douglas

**testimony**

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**From:** francine neitzel [franneitzel@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:11 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Please save the Super Ferry!

Please do every thing you can to keep the Super Ferry in Hawaii. The people of Hawaii need it. How will Hawaii look to the rest of the world if Super Ferry is "kicked out" of Hawaii? Why isn't it required of all the other carriers, (air and sea) to do what is required of Super Ferry? Laws should not discriminate but it appears they do in Hawaii. Please do the right thing.

Respectfully Francine Neitzel of Waianae

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**From:** Kyle [butchie121@hawaiiintel.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:38 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

I'm in favor for the Superferry as a alternate mode of transportation.

Kyle Kamikawa

## testimony

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**From:** Schmid Ursula [ursula.schmid@manta.ch]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 8:53 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

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we are most interested in the service of interisland ferry in Hawaii which provides a different way of transportation and allows the passengers to bring their own or rented car and travel easy from one island to the other giving a spectacular view also of the islands.

thank you

with best regards / mit freundlichen Grüßen

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## testimony

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**From:** Robert Bruggemann [bruggemar001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:38 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** IN SUPPORT OF HAWAII SUPERFERRY

To Whom It May Concern: I would hereby like to submit my testimony regarding the issue of the Hawaii Superferry. I am overwhelmingly IN SUPPORT of the people of our State having at their disposal the ability to travel inter-island by surface carrier, with or without their own personal or business vehicles. As a matter of fact, it is a long overdue option... one that is available practically anywhere in the world where bodies of water separate population groups, especially ones that are closely tied culturally, politically and economically. To succumb to the narrow interests of a vocal few and deny the majority a much needed service such as the Superferry would be a gross injustice in my opinion. Thanks for your attention, and PLEASE MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE. Aloha,

Robert Bruggemann  
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Honolulu, HI 96821

**testimony**

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**From:** Teresa Kato [TKato@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:38 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I support The Hawai'i Superferry

I live on Maui and am unable to make it to Oahu for the hearing because of vacation plans to the mainland.

I enjoy going to Oahu to visit with my family and friends and usually just stay a couple of days because of expense of renting a car . I would be able to stay longer if I was able to take my own vehicle and it would be less expense too.

We also have friends on Oahu that would love to come to Maui for our Drag Races, especially since Oahu's Hawai'i Raceway Park closed down. They have had to ship their car here and leave it at our house in the yard while they have to fly back and forth because of their jobs.If the ferry would be allowed to run, it would be a great savings for these guys too.

I appreciate the time you all take to reconsider that the majority of the people in Hawai'i **DO** support the Hawai'i Superferry.

I couldn't make it to the meeting on Maui either cause I have 8-4 job and the meeting was at 3pm.

I hope the requirement that the non-supporters are requesting regarding the 13 knot speed is not included with your decision to let the ferry continue. It would not make sense for a timely transportation between the islands if it take 6 or more hours from one island to the other.

Well, that's all I have to say... Mahalo, Teresa Kato

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Wailuku, HI, 96793-1150



**testimony**

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**From:** Donovan Mochizuki [opih@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:38 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I support The Hawaii Super Ferry!

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

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I support, whole heartedly, the Hawaii Super Ferry. Please do not let a great alternate form of inter-island travel get eliminated.

The Super Ferry will be something that will benefit myself personally but also professionally/business wise also!

Thank you!

Donovan Mochizuki  
Owner

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**testimony**

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**From:** Kele [gdeoreo@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:11 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

**To Whom it may concern:**

**I strongly urge you to approve the allowance of the Hawaii Superferry to begin operations without having to wait for the completion of an environmental impact statment.**

**This mode of transport is very important to the economic health of our state and the convenience of our citizens.**

**Sincere Mahalo**

**Gerald V. DeOreo  
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**From:** TropicalCottons@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:38 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** ATTN: Colleen Hanabusa

I would like to urge you to vote in FAVOR of the Super Ferry. Our Islands have long needed this kind of interisland service. It's time for the majority of the State's voices to be heard -- NOT just those few who are advocating against this service. The ability to transport our vehicles WITH its occupants is a great boon to interisland commerce as well.

Thank you,

Nancy Calhoun  
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**From:** hawaiianweddings@hawaii.rr.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:38 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Super Ferry

Aloha:

Thank You for allowing me this opportunity to comment on the Super Ferry.

I am convinced that the super ferry is one of the greatest opportunities for the people of this island State to expand business opportunities, and renew family relationships.

When I worked at the Division of Forestry and Wildlife at DLNR, the issue of the Super Ferry was brought up continuously by several staff members who were predisposed to work to stop the Super Ferry because of environmental issues (as far back as 2005). When challenged to justify their positions, they fell back to the safe "invasive species" issue and when the subject was brought up regarding other carries such as Matson. Aircraft and Young Brothers needing an EIS, they had no objection.

I believe that there is a segment of the political and business sector that has a personal vendetta against the Super Ferry related to personal profit and not related to the issue of the environment.

I have lived in Hawaii since 1977 and I am now considering leaving this so called "Aloha State" because of corruption, self interest, and lack of respect each other, and a very poor environment for businesses.

I urge the Governor and the lack luster Senate and House to get some morale fortitude and get this needed service into existence.

Semper If

Mike Hoogerwerf  
MSgt USMC Retired

**testimony**

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**From:** Susan Webb [webb-s@sbcglobal.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:12 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** hawaiian superferry

I am writing to you today on October 23 at 12:07 am in support of allowing the Super ferry to operate. I purchased a condo in Honolulu about 1 1/2 years ago and have been excited at the prospect of visiting other islands by boat. My husband and I want to take our bicycles and ride them on some of the other islands.

Susan Webb  
927 Prospect Street, #701  
Honolulu, HI 96822

**testimony**

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**From:** dan hickman [hickman10000@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:12 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** super ferry

I want the super ferry to run

*Dan Hickman  
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**testimony**

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**From:** Erik Hill [thepurr@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:39 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** SUPPORT for the Superferry

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24 Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

I would like to indicated my support for the Superferry. I feel that Hawai'i needs as many transport options as possible, and a route by sea would help to keep competitive pressure on the airlines, make it easier to transport one's car, and generally make it easier for Hawai'i's residents to travel from island to island.

Thank you,  
Erik Hill  
resident of O`ahu for 20 years.

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**From:** Elaine Nakamura [elainenakamura@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:12 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** hello

**the superferry is progress. we do need it. please do not end the superferry. mahalo, elaine**

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**From:** RUSKELLY@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:39 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

Hi,

I am surprised this gone too long. Superferry will benefit the islands , people and the economy. Even third world countries have superferry to connect islands like the philippines. please dont let the minority rule over what the majority wants. if we want our children to stay in the future let this superferry do the business here. Thank you

cynthia Kelly

Mililani Hawaii

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**From:** Wdlapish@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:39 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** support Hawaii Superferry

Aloha,

I would like to officially submit my support for the Hawaii Superferry, as I believe it would be a tremendous benefit to the people of Hawaii. We really need & should have an alternative to the airlines & Young Brothers & Matson for interisland services.

Mahalo,

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**From:** Diedrick Griep [diedrickgriep@hotmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:38 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** superferry

I think the superferry should be allowed to sail while an environmental study is being done. Lots of money has already been invested because they've already been told many months ago that they could continue moving forward. Supporters of the superferry don't speak up because the vocal minority are vocally aggressive and there's lots of hesitation to speak up.

Thanks from Kauai,  
Diedrick Griep

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**From:** Antonio Jr. Ponce [jetblackli\_ponce@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:32 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** Permit to allow Super Ferry to operate

I am totally in favor to support a Bill to allow the Super Ferry to operate while an enviornmental impact statement is being conducted. We the majority of people in Hawaii feel that an alternate form of inter-island travel is long over due.

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**From:** Richard Taber [rtaber@rtaber.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:02 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** superferry

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It is my belief that the few complainers, mostly living on the Island of Kauai, are trying to ruin the superferry for most of Hawaii. Many of these complainers are backed by the barge unions.

The EIS should never have been required for the superferry. Under the same stupid logic, why not require an EIS for each plain landing, each barge movement between the Islands. The whole idea of an EIS makes no sense.

At least allow the superferry to operate during the EIS hearings.

Richard Taber

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**From:** Kathy Higa [kathy.higa@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:06 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We want our Superferry!!!

Aloha,

I just wanted to say that before the Superferry even got here we did our homework on it and was even invited to meetings to ask questions. From what I have learned I am very happy and welcome the Superferry to the Island and have been waiting to visit my family on the outer islands. Those people in Kauai should just relax and stop grumbling about everything. Because after this fades out, they'll find something else bicker about.

This is Hawaii...where's the "Aloha" spirit.

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Mahalo,

Kathy

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**From:** yvette pierce [beachevet@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 2:44 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We support the superferry for island travel

We come to Hawaii about 3 times a year. We are looking forward to the superferry. Thanks,  
Mitchell and Yvette Pierce

yes

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**From:** bbmanoa@hawaii.rr.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:17 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** WE support the Superferry

This is an opportunity for a new form of transportation to be available to the residents of Hawaii for many reasons. We are currently vacationing on Kauai, where we had planned to take the ferry yesterday with our relatives from the mainland and to bring our car with us. Instead, we flew, had to rent a car and feel that a minority of folks on this island have blocked the opportunity for us as well as many other kamaaina to bring our own cars. Instead we had to rent a car to get around. Are the car rental companies part of this "keep the ferry out" CAMPAIGN?

We feel like some of the aloha spirit is gone from Kauai because of this whole unfortunate situation. The "Anti" group has gone beyond the EIS factor and has made us feel like they want to keep all of us away. Auwe! We are all part of the same state and aloha spirit. The Superferry can tie the islands together even more.

Please give serious consideration to the feelings and needs of the silent majority....many of our students and halaus and sports teams would benefit from Superferry transportation to bring instruments and equipment when they travel for games, for student exchanges, performances etc. And it is good to have alternative transportation.

Where were all these activists during the last two hurricnaes? Were they even on Kauai...don't they remember how much the people of Oahu came to the rescue to provide food, money, materials? And how much better it would be to have a ferry to transport much needed supplies if another disaster occurs?

Please get the Superferry running and get those activist to stop being so negative and be willing to see the benefit for all the islands and all Kamaaina and tourists.

Mahalo,  
Barry and Barbara Brennan



**access1**

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**From:** Catherine Ostrem [ostremrc@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:58 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We support the Superferry

Please do everything possible to move Hawaii forward in the area of transportation and make sure the Superferry happens.

The advantages will surely outweigh any disadvantages

1. Farmers and business people will be better able to move their products inter-island and it will be a real benefit economically.
2. Local people especially, will benefit from being able to visit friends and family with their own cars and "stuff" without having the expense and hassle of air travel....sports teams, halau, scout troops to name just a few.
3. As frequent visitors to the Seattle area we regularly enjoy and experience the ferry system. They are heavily utilized and important to the area.
4. Obvious advantages during an emergency.
5. Lessons our dependency on air travel.

Please make this happen!

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**From:** John Arizumi [jarizumi@carrierhawaii.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:31 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Cc:** April Nakai; Ana Bondoc; Barbara Koizumi; Barbara Takamoto; Carmen Gapusan; Clayton Sato; Diane Namihira; Dicson Aggabao; Dodson Leong; Eric Lum; John Salbedo; Jon Hiromura; Kaelo Orita; Keith Nakanishi; Kim Calpo; Laurie Go-Yamada; Michele Kaneshiro; Milton Taura; Nelson Ventura; Phil Jaentsch; Robert Pascua; Rollin Kamikawa; Ruby Higa; Sheri Higashionna  
**Subject:** We Support the Superferry

My name is John Arizumi, president/CEO of Carrier Hawaii, the state distributor for Carrier Air Conditioning. I am a mechanical engineer who was born, raised, educated, and lived in Hawaii my entire life.

Individually and corporately, we support the Hawaii Superferry. It's a no-brainer:

1. We're an island state and water travel is a necessary and viable alternative.
2. All over the world where bodies of water exist, water travel exists.
3. Doing an EIS is fine, but let the Superferry sail in the meantime.
4. Waiting for the EIS has fatal financial consequences and will be too late; it's an evil ploy.

It is going to be really sad if the Superferry goes away because of the outspoken few.

Sail It!

Mahalo.

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**From:** stefonek@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:33 AM  
**To:** testimony; "<testimony">@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Subject:** We support the superferry

Hi

As a former HI resident and current HI property owner, we have future visit advantages in mind when we say that we support the proposed ferry system between islands.

Thanks,

Dave & Karen Stefonek

10/23/2007

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**From:** Debbie Chambrella [chambrelr001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:17 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We support the Super Ferry  
**Importance:** High

We support the Super Ferry because it will provide an alternate means of travel between the islands and at last bring the islands to the 21st century. We do not believe the vocal opponents on Kauai and Maui represent their islands. **DO NOT LET THE VOCAL MINORITY GET THEIR WAY.**

And those 29 conditions are ridiculous. Do other cars on Matson or Young Brothers get the same treatment? Are there drugs on Kauai and Maui? **YES.**

Are there invasive plants on Kauai and Maui? **YES.**

Well the Super Ferry ain't working and yet those island already have the things they don't want.

We all live in 1 state and are free to come and go as we please. There is no such thing as "my island" or "your island." How dare they treat others (ie. Oahuans) like rubbish!!

Legislators, wake up! Do you honestly believe that once the EIS is done that those same protesters will allow the SuperFerry back into Nawiliwili and Kahului Harbors?? **OF COURSE NOT!!** The damage is done. Don't allow it to go on any longer. Work it out and let the Super Ferry operate for all citizens of the Hawaiian Islands!!!

The Chambrella Family  
Waipio Gentry

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**From:** Harvey [yamauchih001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:12 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We Support The Hawaii Superferry

I am in support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

Harvey Yamauchi  
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**From:** Domingo Ohana [rmdohana@darkgear.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:27 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We support Hawaii Superferry

Aloha,

As our legislature... we demand that you allow for this Free Enterprise to conduct business.

This company has shown good faith in complying with all the states requests. The people of Hawaii deserve to have this as an option for travel and transportation. We personally would use their services.

Please contact us if you have any specific questions.

Randy and Maile Domingo

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**From:** Lilia Kane [kaneb002@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:01 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We need the SuperFerry!

I am an American Citizen, and a resident of Hawaii since 2005. Before that, I was a Washington State resident, and a frequent user of the Washington Ferry System. I know very well of all the advantages that this kind of transportation brings to workers, business owners, and tourists, therefore, I have no objection in allowing the SuperFerry offer those advantages to the people of Hawaii.

I would also like to state that I refuse to accept laws made by lobbyists through the court, and not by the people of Hawaii, through our corresponding legislative body. I also refuse to be governed by environmentalist groups whose motives are far beyond protecting the environment, but are lead by their own personal interests and their own pockets. Lobbyists caused enough damage to these islands in the last two months. The islands need to rise up to their level of greatness, and the SuperFerry is in accord with that goal. Our Governor Lingle did not make a mistake in supporting such infrastructure, which is in our best interest.

The whales are important, alternatives should be established to protect them without affecting the people of Hawaii, who are more valuable than whales. Whale season is not all year long in the islands, and the islands are not the only place where whales travel to. Many Gray-whales travel every year to San Ignacio Lagoon, in the Golf of Cortez, Baja, to give birth in warm waters; then they travel back to California and up to Alaska with their new born. People can admire them from the top of the Mexican Super Ferry that comes From Mazatlan to La Paz, while crossing their route.

Please do not let environmentalists groups speak in the name of the majority. Nobody has appointed them to do that.

Lilia Kane.  
Kaneohe, HI.

**access1**

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**From:** Craig Lancaster [craig250@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:36 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** WE NEED THE SUPERFERRY!

We need the SuperFerry! For all the people of Hawaii. Please vote for it to continue service.

Sincerely,

Craig Lancaster



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**From:** Bambi @ NPK [bpecor@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:11 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We Need the Superferry  
**Importance:** High

**Aloha!**

**My name is Gena Pecor & I am hoping you get this email in time for:**

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

**I've been excited about the Superferry ever since I heard about it! I've lived on the Big Island for a little over 10 years & have always wanted to travel to other islands, but because of cost of air, car rental & hotels it was only a dream; the Superferry was my chance of turning that dream into reality! Being able to take my car would cut down the cost to just a hotel room, that would be something I could do!**

**They talk about the environment & how safe it is... I totally understand, I love marine life & the ocean more than anything, but with today's regulations I cant help but think it can not come near to causing the damage to the environment as the big cruise ships that dock & dump their garbage into our waters on a daily basis. As for safety, I know that Puget Sound in Washington state has ferry's & whales & dolphins in the same waters throughout the year & you never hear about a ferry running into a whale or hurting a dolphin.**

**No not everything is perfect, nothing ever is, but if I had a choice I'd rather get rid of the polluting cruise ships than the Superferry any day! The cruise ships are for tourists... the Superferry is for the locals! It allows us to come & go & share!**

**Please, vote to keep the Superferry running while it's being tested... I believe it will prove to be a smart move! One you wont regret!**

**Much Mahalo!!!**

Gena \*Puhawai\* Pecor ♥

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Office Manager  
**Neighborhood Place of Kona**

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**From:** jim [jblt@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:20 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We need the Superferry

I have lived here in Hawaii since 1969. I am a Roofing contractor. I need materials from Honolulu suppliers. here on maui I only have one source to use for heavy roofing materials yes that's YB. just recently I lost a \$7,000.00 job because I couldn't get the materials here on time. Last week I finally got a shipment that was sent from MKK 4 weeks ago. I originally came from Seattle where they have many ferries going out of The port of Seattle my *business depended on them.* LET THE SUPERFERRY RUN WE ALL NEED THIS IT WILL BE GOOD FOR OUR ECONOMY AND OUR TOURIST INDUSTRY.

Sincerely;  
James F Boulton  
Pres. of AAA Roofing and General Contractors Inc. (Maui)

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**From:** Cliff Walters [cwalters@shakashoes.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:42 AM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** We need the Super ferry!

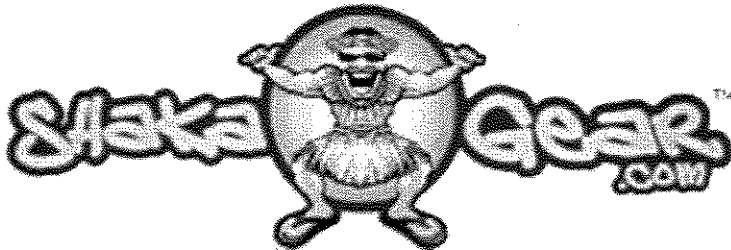
I am a business owner and do business Island to island. The Super ferry gives commerce a fighting chance to be successful, by allowing goods to flow freely throughout the State.

As a parent it gives families a chance to see the rest of the great State of Hawaii at a reasonable family price. Please support our families and Businesses by giving the Super ferry the right to operate.

Cliff Walters

Get Your Shakas On!

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**From:** David Adams [smadaniro@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:58 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We need the Super Ferry Service

I, David Adams of Kailua-Kona believe we need the Super Ferry. It will benefit our outer island athletes and families. It is very expensive to fly an entire team to Oahu for athletic events.

Heaven forbid, if another 9-11 happened again and our planes were grounded for a long time...we would be wishing we had the Super Ferry.

I also believe it is wrong for the Hawaii State Government to tell the Super Ferry to jump through a bunch of hoops, they do it, and then have a rogue judge tell them after the fact, that they should have done something more than was told them. I just don't understand the mentality of some people.

For protesters to be allowed to flatten the tires of those waiting in line to get on the boat, for protesters to be allowed to verbally threaten the physical health of those waiting in line...for protesters to violate the rights of the rest of us is criminal.

The Super Ferry will be a good thing for the islands...please allow them to operate on the Big Island.

Aloha,

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**From:** rick beers [mrbeers2002@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:40 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** we need the super ferry

In the event of a tsunami, hurricane or even a major brush fire . The Super Ferry could prove to be invaluable to preserving our greatest resource **its people**. **If the people stopping the superferry are successful it would be to the detriment to the vast majority. With their logic and reasoning we should never have progress or even automobiles (because they negatively affect the enviroment). Workers lively hoods are at stake. Provide legislation that will permit the superferry to operate. I do not believe the sky will fall nor whales would be in jeopardy.**  
**Richard Berman**

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**From:** sean mason [kawi6rr@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:57 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We need the Super ferry

I'm in complete agreement on needing the Super ferry in Hawaii. Think about the people who are terrified to fly, *Closter phobic*, or are too large to fit comfortably in the tiny seats that airlines provide. This would provide those minorities a comfortable way to travel through their home, our islands. This is not just about the few environmentalists whom have rallied their troops to show that Hawaii is not in support of the Super ferry. The majority of Hawaii's people are in support of the Super ferry and the state needs to be aware of this.

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**From:** Mike Aqui [mhere\_2000@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:38 AM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** We Need the Hawaii Superferry

Attention: Senate Committees, Judiciary and Labor  
Transportation and Affairs  
Energy and Environment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24, 2007

Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

Hawaii needs this interisland ferry service. It is unfortunate that a small minority can't see the BIG picture. Hawaii is so unfriendly to business, its time to turn that around. Let Hawaii Superferry operate while the environmental study is done.

Mike Aqui  
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**From:** Robert Hu [hujrr001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 6:21 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Vote yes for Superferry

I believe we on Oahu has a right to decide how we visit the other islands as a guest or to visit our families and relatives. We have been doing it as long as any form of transportation was available. Life in Hawaii is hard as it is and if it makes things easier for everyone to see Hawaii, Why not? I'd like to spend a day or 2 taking my family with my own car. It's almost the same as renting a car. If I flew to an island, I would have to rent a car. I can just pack our things and take my car. Same thing! I was born here and have visited the islands many times but since it is difficult with air fares, hotels and cars, it would make things much easier to visit the islands and leave us with a little more money to spend there. I see everyone interviewed on television as a non-native. Why don't they show locals and kamaainas interviewed who support the Super Ferry. I do!

Mahalo,

Robert Hu

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**From:** Mary Murphy [murphystudio@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:44 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** vote

I'm voting to put the SuperFerry back in service while undergoing the environmental study.  
Please!

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**From:** Derwin Villanueva [gfb100442@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:37 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** Villanueva support for Superferry

Hi,

My name is Derwin Villanueva. I was born and raised on Oahu and have family on Maui, Kauai and the Big Island. I support the Superferry for a number of reasons. First, it is a great alternative to the airlines. Second, it provides jobs on all islands. Third, it is safer on the environment than airlines with their noise, exhaust and they bring too many of those Oahu people to the outer islands faster. It's easier to steer the ferry away from the whales than it is to steer it away from birds.

Mahalo

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**From:** John Durkin (Personal Mailbox) [john@durkin.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:41 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Very Important - Testimony in Support of Superferry

My name is John Durkin. Maui is my home island, and I own a home in Lahaina. I am not employed or otherwise related to or have a direct economic interest in Superferry.

I would like to express my support for the Superferry. The Superferry will bring uncountable economic benefits to Maui. It will make small business more successful by allowing the free movement of goods between the islands. It will also allow small business people more mobility between the islands.

Most importantly, the Superferry will enable closer contact among Hawaii families. This is the most important reason for having the Superferry. The service will give Hawaiians the ability to visit family on neighbor islands more frequently and to make family visits more rich and rewarding. The Superferry's most important benefit will be to help bring Hawaiian families together more often and I think this will increase the quality of life for all.

I believe the environmental issues are manageable, as are the same issues for cruise ships and Young Brothers. The Superferry should not be unfairly treated when other shipping firms enjoy the benefit of our ports and waters.

I urge the state legislature and state government to authorize the Superferry.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to offer testimony in support of Superferry

John Durkin

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**From:** David [david.lato@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:37 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Re: Urgent: Your Testimony Needed

Testimony Relating to the Hawaii Superferry

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

October 22, 2007

Dear Senate Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment,

I am in favor of passing legislation that allows the Hawaii Superferry to operate while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. I feel the Hawaii Superferry will greatly improve transportation options in the State and prove to be a very positive resource. Please do not let this opportunity to diversify inter-island transportation sail away!

Mahalo for your time!

David Lato  
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**From:** Grace Moss [mossg001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:15 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Transportation and International Affairs

I am sending my e-mail in full support of the Hawaii Super Ferry. I believe this is a wonderful way to travel interisland and it would not be any more "illegal" than Young Brothers.

This is a great thing to happen to Hawaii so family and friends can visit each other while relaxing on "cruise" to their favorite island.

Grace Moss

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**From:** KC at Romance.travel [KC@Romance.travel]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:42 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Transportation & International Affairs: We Support Hawaii Superferry!  
**Importance:** High

**Transportation and International Affairs: We Support Hawaii Superferry!**

**Senate Committees:**

- Judiciary and Labor
- Transportation and International Affairs
- Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

This shall serve as email testimony in support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

We have long awaited the Superferry in Hawaii for personal and business reasons:

- The Superferry is a cost-effective alternative to current interisland air travel.
- The Superferry is a more pleasant alternative experience to travel than the hassle to fly.
- The Superferry negates our necessity to rent a vehicle when traveling interisland.
- The Superferry enables us to transport our family, pets and goods when traveling intrastate.

We support the environmental impact study, but wish that the Superferry be permitted to conduct business while the study takes place. After all, Matson barges and large leisure cruise ships are permitted to conduct business in our waters for generations now. How did those environmental impact studies turn out?

Mahalo for hearing our voices,

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**From:** Debi Costa [debicosta@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:46 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Total Support of the Superferry

To whom it may concern.

I was born and raised on Maui, and I appreciate my island, my Hawaii. I also appreciate that others look to invest their hard earned money into our islands. Yes we will pay for the services rendered, but that is business. We own a small business and do business on Kauai and on the Oahu, and the Big Island. Having our vehicles transport our tools, parts, and supplies rather than pay for cargo, rent a vehicle for a week or more at a time, would save us money. We have to eat when we go to the other islands, so we are taking our money from island to island, supporting other businesses, bringing jobs. Let the superferry run while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. Thank you for allowing me to voice my opinion. This has gone on long enough. This is an embarrassment to the people of Hawaii. Make the decision, you have been put in office by the people for these very kinds of issues. There are local families employed by the Superferry who depend on you to make this decision.

Thank you, Debi Costa  
Maui

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**From:** Larissa Realin [larissa8413@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:15 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** To The Legislature's

To Who It May Concern :

I fully support the Hawaii Supperferry. The reason why I fully support the Hawaii Supperferry is because they can help people get from island to island with our cars. It will help the congestion that we have here on Oahu. Even when there is a medical emergency, farmers, and also paddlers that has to go to outer islands for States.

Please pass the bill that the Hawaii Supperferry is able to start running again.

Sincerely,  
Larissa Realin

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**From:** Thomas Deonte [deontet001@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:37 AM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** The superferry will assist in time of emergency, national diaster, or war.

If another hurricane hits KAUAI or MAUI, the superferry can get the National Guard, Polie Officers, cargo, supplies, medical equipment, telephone poles, trucks, red cross equipment to Kauai quickly in uder 3 hours. The barges takes 4-5 days. *The superferry can also assist in evacuation of the island, and removal of the injured to OAHU's trauma care hospitals.* Let the superferry operate while doing an EIS. What better way to study impacts or inspection procedures first hand and real time while operations is ongoing. A more accurate study can be done instead of misguided assumptions. John

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**From:** Thomas Deponte [depontet001@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:42 AM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** The superferry is an aid to the handicapped people on the outer islands.

I am handicapped and have a custom made handicap van. I would like to travel to Oahu and watch the UH game at the stadium, go shopping and see family and friends. It is such a hassle and burden to ask someone to assist me while flying on a plane with my oxygen bottle and wheelchair. All rent a car companies don't have custom handicapped equipped vans for my wheelchair with ramps and special adapted driver controls. Please let the ferry run for the handicapped people of Hawaii. We are usually forgotten as everyone takes for granted walking. Try being in my shoes for a week and see the hassles of being handicapped and confined to a wheelchair.  
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**From:** David Bealer [bealerd001@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 2:34 AM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** The Superferry

It is time to draw the line. Environmental rhetoric should not be used as a tactic to derail projects or thwart economic progress that benefits the state

This is not a valiant fight of good versus evil. This is a case of the extreme minority imposing their views and lifestyles on the overwhelming majority.

*Please do not incorporate unwarranted restrictions on the operation of the Superferry , Unless these restrictions are also applied to other carriers such as Young Brothers.*

Please keep the Superferry going !!

David Bealer

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**From:** nicollmark@juno.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:35 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Cc:** nicollmark@juno.com  
**Subject:** the super fairee should have been a long time ago

YES YES YES SAVE THE SUPER FAIREE reunite the families share our happyness and love ,,being able to connect ,,with each other,,another safe way to travel,,clean inverioment,,it should have been here a long time ago,,,,bless the supper sharing sweet traveling for the people mark steven nicoll po box811 volcano hawaii 96785

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**From:** david.kaio@hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:35 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** The people Super Ferry

Aloha, The Super ferry is another great way to travel to the neighbor islands. You may fly to the neighbor islands, but when you arrive to the neighbor island from the ocean the view is unreal just imagined that this is the same view our ancestor seen, the great Kamehameha seen too when they sail or paddled between these islands we call Hawaii our home. With all this fighting or pilikia going on this not about the enviroment impact study, the problem, it's about the involvement our Governor, she was their to help with the process so the Super Ferry could get off the ground. so all the people that is complaining it's because of the Governor is part of the process. She said her part, why disrespect our Governor. Listen, all you people that is against the Super Ferry are you folks helping with our Aina, our land, what are you doing with your trash are you recycling, not just the Hi 5ct but all plastic, metal, paper, bottles, green waste, tires, batteries, clothes, cars no right, how about land the should be for agriculture not homes or businesses or hotels, grave sites being destroyed so they just gather all the bones and put it on the side and say this is the right place. I say before you people complaint clean yourself up and around you before you go and disrespect our Governor. The Super Ferry is for we the people, people of these siand we call HAWAII'.

David k. k. Kaio

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**From:** Bryant Marks [bryantmarks@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:43 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** The Hawaii Superferry

Hi, my name is Bryant Marks, a resident of Hawaii, living in Makakilo on Oahu.

I feel very strongly that the Superferry should be allowed to operate during the EIS, for many reasons, but these are the top 20 reasons:

1. EIS were not required of Madsen or any of the cruise lines.
2. If the EIS were required at the very beginning the project would probably never have been started – this is why the EIS requirement was waived.
3. The Superferry management and owners shouldn't be punished because the EIS requirement was waived.
4. The people that I have talked to on the other Islands pretend that the EIS is the issue but when you get into the details they are really just prejudiced against people from Oahu.
5. This prejudice is misplaced anyway since people from Oahu could still fly to the other Islands at just about the same expense.
6. The vast majority of the residents want the Superferry – this is still a democracy, right?
7. The Superferry could go a bit slower than its maximum speed to help protect marine life.
8. The most critical parts of the EIS could be done first. The study could be performed in phases and then we can reassess how the Superferry is doing at the end of each phase.
9. If we don't support the Superferry now we will probably never have such a great way to travel the Islands again during our lifetimes.
10. The military could also make use of the Superferry.
11. If the Superferry and its sister ship were sold to another island chain it would need to be fire-sale style so the taxpayers would never see the better part of their taxes back. It's sad to pay taxes for something that we would never receive the benefit of.
12. Perhaps if the Superferry management would give cheaper fares for groups doing environmental work for each of the islands then perhaps this would offset any negative environmental effects.
13. Just because something represents progress doesn't mean that it will always hurt the environment – progress can be used to help the environment as well.
14. If the Superferry is denied then the people who are the most prejudice will win – and this is the saddest fact of all. Don't let prejudice win out in the end!
15. Once the Superferry is underway things will run smoothly (if it is well protected during the first few weeks).
16. Once the other islands see that the integrity and the culture of their island aren't harmed by the Superferry they will be more accepting – just like the inter-island flights have not changed the other islands into Oahu.
17. If the other islands don't want to become another Oahu then just enforce the building ordinances that they already have in place – no need to try to ban a way for people from Oahu to visit the other Islands.
18. Oahu is welcoming people from the other islands to our island – perhaps the best of what their culture has to offer could help our own culture in some manner! Cultural sharing is really what's best for all of the islands as a whole – not cultural isolation!
19. Wouldn't it be nice if all of the islands pulled together as a group of people, rather than "us" versus "them" – we're all Hawaiian Residents!
20. The Superferry can be a beautiful thing that serves to bring us all closer together, physically,

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culturally and even spiritually!

I can't wait until my first trip on the Ferry, a serene, beautiful journey.

Thanks for your time!  
Much Aloha!  
Bryant

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**From:** chuck Anctil [cja902@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:22 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** The Hawaii Superferry

Just want to voice my self a bit on the Superferry issue. What many are saying against it could be true, but I personally feel the benefits out way the negetative words.

The strange thing to me is How a Judge who rulled I believe in 2005 in favor of the Superferry and now reversed his self in the Maui decision to prevent it from operating. I have heard personally from a man that is a handicap man, that has a special van for his use. He and his family were so happy about the Superferry. Now they could take their special van with them to visit relatives and friends. And they could do it that way, with more comfort and not having to get a van on another island that could accomodate them. It would be sad for them to not be able to travel this way.

Why have no studies been demanded of the other forms of transportation, such as the airlines, for sound, pulitents and such in our air. Why have no demands been made of the barge companies such as Young Brothers to have a study on thier operation. And think of the little bugs that can travel with the passengers as they depart from the NCL ships. Nothing has been said about them. Perhaps, Young Brothers and NCL should be put into the same situation as the Superferry, until a study is done.

I read that one of the demads out of Maui, was that if the Superferry is allow to run, they have to make arraingments to wash the tires of cars, and trucks before they are allowed on to Maui. Does Young Brother have to was the tires of all of the trucks and cars that they transport to the islands. Why are they exempt from these things.

It seems to me the issue is the business being taken away from existing businesses, such as Young Brothers, Car Rental places. They all knew this was coming and now I feel that they are some of the underling factors trying to stop the Superferry.

I hope that the Superferry will be allowed to operate, and not just set idol for months and months. I would not blame them for leaving the islands and going to a more accepting place to operate.

I hope that the Superferry will be allowed to operate thru our island waters while a "study" is being done.

Thank You for allowing me to make my statement on this issue. Charles J. Anctil 902B Prospect Street Honolulu, HI 96822

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**From:** VETTEKANE@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:27 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Re: Urgent: save the ferry

I am a buisness owner "Chucks Corvette Clinic" the ferry is a new and needed way to transport product spend some time with customers and return home the same day.please do whatever is nesisary to keep the ferry afloat. Aloha Chuck Garner owner

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**From:** Steve Colon [scolon@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:53 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** FW: Urgent: Your Testimony Needed

Aloha: Please allow me to submit the following testimony in support of allowing the Superferry to operate while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. This testimony is in support of a bill being considered by the Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment committees today, Wednesday, October 24, at 10:30 a.m. in the Auditorium, State Capitol.

My name is Steve Colón, and I support the convening of a special session to allow the superferry to operate while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. As the leader of a business in Hawaii, I am deeply concerned about the image this whole affair has given to Hawaii as a place to do business. And, as a Hawaii resident, I am saddened to see opposition to an inter island ferry service which will benefit so many in our state. Small businesses bringing goods to sell back and forth, contractors working on construction sites on different island, and tourists enjoying the beauty of the islands from the sea. I urge you to consider that the Superferry has ALREADY agreed to unprecedented environmental impact mitigation measures, and we should be pleased that at least they will be doing so, since none of the other companies (Matson, Young Brothers) do anything like this.

Thank you for helping solve this problem and "righting a wrong".

Steve Colón

Kailua, HI

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**From:** ROB HICKS [robert5454@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:55 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Fwd: Urgent: Your Testimony Needed

We like the ferry

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**From:** Forbes [forbes@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:36 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We want the Superferry PLEASE !

Aloha,

I want you to know that we support the Superferry service.

I live here and I want to spend my money here in Hawaii on the other islands. The Superferry will allow me to really enjoy all of this beautiful state which is my home that I love. This is something we have needed for a long time. Please support the Superferry project, don't let it leave our state.

Lauren Forbes

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**From:** Wendy Perry [wendy.maui@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:30 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** We want the Superferry

We are in favor of the Superferry. We've watched cruise ships going fast speeds (do they hit whales?) and making huge waves in harbors (so what- canoe and board paddlers?). We see large barges coming into Maui with palms and other trees (were they inspected for bugs etc?). We've watched barges and barges of Maui sand being shipped out to Oahu (more than any opihi being taken) and seen barges of cars being shipped in (were they washed underneath and inspected before coming?) Our point is this....it isn't any different than the Superferry operating. It is so painfully one sided here. Once again the minority is dictating to the majority what we can and cannot do. The Superferry is an excellent travel option for the people of the islands.

We want the Superferry! It's about time! Please vote in favor of the Superferry operating during the environmental assessment. And if the Superferry has to do it, and then look into doing the same for Cruise Ships, Interisland Barges, and Freighters bringing in goods (legal and illegal) into our State. ///FAIR IS FAIR/////

Sincerely,  
Thomas and Wendy Perry  
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With Aloha from Kahului



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**From:** Lita Goulet [litag@tradepublishing.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:04 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** WE WANT THE SUPER FERRY TO STAY!!!!

Dear Gentlemen:

We want the super ferry to stay it would bring in so much revenue to all of the islands and experience to everyone we need this to boost up the economy.

Please give them a chance the company means well not only will it bring money into the state but it would give the next generation a chance to carry on a stronger economy. It worked for the mainland why can't it work for us we need this transportation to stay. It's not fair that you don't give another mainland business a chance to grow. We need to be more optimistic to have our ohana spread towards the mainland business to come here then to leave. It's our only last chance.

Sincerely,  
Lita Goulet  
41 year resident

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**From:** Drew Womack [drewwomack@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:25 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** WE WANT THE FERRY..

ALOHA .... THE MAJORITY OF THE VOTERS IN THIS STATE WANT THE SUPERFERRY... AN INTERISLAND CONVEYANCE FOR LOCAL PEOPLE.. THERE WILL ALWAYS BE RESISTANCE TO CHANGE IN HAWAII.. THIS IS A GOOD ONE.. AND A LONG TIME COMMING .. IF WE MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE NO ONE WILL EVER TRY AGAIN... DREW WOMACK [drewwomack@earthlink.net](mailto:drewwomack@earthlink.net)  
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**From:** Kaawa, Francis [Francis.Kaawa@vacationclub.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:16 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** WE WANT THE FERRY

Aloha

My family and I really would appreciate it if the ferry would be able to sail. We hope you will be able to help see to this.

Mahalo  
Kaawa O'hana on Kauai

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**From:** Jennifer Leilani Jones-Tollefsen [jonesjen@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 10:28 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** RE: TESTIMONY

**SENATE COMMITTEES,  
HEARING DATE: WEDNESDAY, OCT. 24TH, 2007  
10:30 STATE CAPITOL AUDITORIUM**

**PLEASE KNOW THAT I AM IN FAVOR OF THE HAWAII SUPERFERRY. I FEEL THIS WILL BE AN ASSET TO OUR HAWAIIAN ISLANDS BECAUSE MORE PEOPLE WILL HAVE EMPLOYMENT, THE COMMUNITY WILL BE ABLE TO TRANSPORT THEIR OWN PERSONAL VEHICLES RATHER THAN RENTING AND SOME COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES CAN ALSO BENEFIT FROM USING THIS OTHER MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION.**

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH!**

**JENNIFER JONES-TOLLEFSEN**

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**From:** Steven Nakao [steven.nakao@nethawaii.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:16 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Testimony

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am in support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. We are in need of an alternative transportation to visit outer island and the Superferry will solve this need. It is a practical and economical way to visit each island.

Please pass this bill to allow the superferry to continue servicing Hawaiis' needs.

Mahalo,

Steven Nakao

YJ

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**From:** DZIEM VUONG [vuong@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 11:17 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** TESTIMONY

I support the Hawaii Superferry because I want to stop those troublemakers that waste our time and money

Dziem Vuong

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**From:** Esper Resayo [espergo@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:52 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Testimony

Dear Sir/Madam:

Hail to the Superferry – It's Here Let Us Use It!

<!--[if !supportEmptyParas]--> <!--[endif]-->Travel by Superferry would definitely save time and money for the people of Hawaii. Flying takes too much time because I have to park my car at the airport which is frequently full to capacity, go through so much security, rent a car or have someone give me a ride to/from the airport.

<!--[if !supportEmptyParas]--> <!--[endif]-->Superferry travel will be so convenient because all of the above is not necessary. For example, I can drive my car into/out of the ferry and reach my destination at any time. Realized savings on gas, time and money.

<!--[if !supportEmptyParas]--> <!--[endif]-->The quality of life for many travelers will be greatly improved and avoid travel restrictions/bureaucracy.

<!--[if !supportEmptyParas]--> <!--[endif]-->Let's spare the earth from global warming because the Superferry will somewhat aide in this cause. Every little bit helps!

<!--[if !supportEmptyParas]--> <!--[endif]-->Stop wasting taxpayer's money and move on with the Superferry.

<!--[if !supportEmptyParas]--> <!--[endif]-->Why does Hawaii have double standards? The Cruise Ships and Shipping Companies were not required to perform an EIS? Why the delay?

<!--[if !supportEmptyParas]--> <!--[endif]-->Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Tony and Esper Resayo

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**From:** Carol Smith [csmith@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 11:18 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** testimony

To Whom It May Concern:

Regarding:

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

Having been a resident of Hawaii for 22 years, I was so very happy when the announcement of the SuperFerry being ported here. I came from the Seattle area, where ferry riding is a way of life for thousands of residents. Being plagued with arthritis - airflights are often very painful for me. This alternative mode of transportation was going to give me more opportunity to visit our neighbor islands.

I understand the need for the EIS; however, I do not believe it is necessary to close down the business that come to Hawaii, after it had been given the okay to go forward by our government. The repercussions of that judgement in error will effect our state for possibly decades.

In addition I question the protesters motives, since they waited during the entire course of original planning, building, testing on the east coast, as well as here in the islands. Had their concerns been made public in the early stages of this project - we would not be in the situation we are in today; therefore, I do not believe the silent majority should be penalized for the last minute wishes of the vocal minority.

Sincerely,

Carol Smith

Kapolei

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**From:** YSIGOU@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:35 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Testimony

To Whom it May Concern:

We support the Hawaii Superferry.

My husband and I have been avidly following the Hawaii Superferry via the Internet. We do not like to fly and the medication we take to fly lasts 24 hours. To travel from Massachusetts to Hawaii to only see one island when they each have their own special beauty would be an extreme disappointment. So we always thought Hawaii was out of our ability until we heard about the Hawaii Superferry. With the Superferry our plan was to go to Oahu (Pearl Harbor and stay at the Marriot 'Ihilani Resort), then to Kauai (stay at the Marriot Resort), and lastly to the Big Island (stay at the Sheraton Keauhou Bay Resort).

We support the Hawaii Superferry. Please continue our hopes that we will be able to travel to Hawaii with the least amount of flying possible and be able to enjoy your beautiful culture.

Eric and Yvette Lane

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**From:** Tweet DeLeon [deleontweet@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:36 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** testimony

Aloha,

I am testifying to utilize the superferry for the local people, but the outer island harbors must be able to control the heavy trafficking that will come off the superferry. I think this whole matter with the superferry should have been avoided and running smoothly if all this have been carefully observed. As for the environment of the whales, that should also be controlled carefully from the superferry and respectfully. I think the ocean is big enough for everyone to use including the whales.

B.D.

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**From:** Marlena Roman [marlenaroman@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:43 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Testimony

Aloha,

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

On behalf of myself and my family, we are in full support of the Superferry operating it's interisland service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

Mahalo for your time.

Marlena Roman

41-565 Waikupanaha Place, Waimanalo, HI 96795

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**From:** Dillon Bracken [dillon.bracken.is@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:51 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** testimony

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

It is obvious to me that the problems that are threatening the Super Ferry have to do with other businesses not wanting them to come in. I think stopping the super ferry is counter capitalism and un-american.

please do the right thing and let it run,

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Dillon Bracken  
Notary Public  
[dillon.bracken.is@gmail.com](mailto:dillon.bracken.is@gmail.com)  
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**From:** Sharon Fiesta [kalonafiesta@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:56 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** testimony

I am for the Superferry, I totally support it.

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Sharon V. Fiesta

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**From:** EKAUHI@hawaii.rr.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:13 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** testimony

Dear Committee,

I am in favor of the Superferry even though I can't ride it because I get sea sick on any boat. I feel for the ones on the outer Islands that are in favor of the Superferry because the residents aren't listening to them the small silent majority.

It's unfair, especially to the ones who need the ferry to come to Oahu for doctor's visit's because Oahu has better hospital's and doctor's here. I understand the concerns of all the resident's that don't want the ferry because of the whales and the enviroment etc, so that's where the Superferry needs to be equip (to provide, what is needed, to outfit) for the protection of the whales etc. Farmers on all Islands can benefit from this, hula halau's may even use the ferry because it costs to much money to rent vans etc. Who knows the very one's who oppose the ferry may be the very ones riding it someday.....lol But all in all think of the ones that really need it, Give it a chance, people of the outer Islands give it a chance see how it goes than if it don't than really oppose it. God Bless the ones who would really depend on the Superferry, the elderly, the disabled, the Kupuna. One thing to think about...Matson and the other shipping companies are raising the prices to ship goods etc to the outer Islands and back to Oahu, so everyone should think of this, it may save all of you the costs of paying extra \$\$\$\$\$\$ to get your supplies. THINK ABOUT THAT.

God Bless you all

Emma Kauhi

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**From:** dana hayashi [dhashi57@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:22 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** testimony

I am in favor of the ferry because it gives us a chance to visit our relatives on the other islands without all the added expenses we must dish out. I also believe that it will in income for the other islands which will benefit the those small businesses. It has also created jobs for our local people. My husband, 3 girls and a boy and myself are really upset and was looking forward to using the Super Ferry and being able to use our own family van. Please save the SuperFerry!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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**From:** aloha bayside [schrader@lava.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:38 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Testimony

To Whom it May Concern,

I feel that the Super Ferry should be allowed to operate, till the study is done. We all knew that the ferry was being built, why didn't anyone speak up then. Superferry had the okay by the State to operate, this should be the State's problem to make sure this problem is taken care of not Superferry. Why are these terrorist (protesters against the Ferry) allowed to continue, they clearly demonstrated their disregard for the safety of others and respect for private property. If this happens at an airport, those people have been arrested no questions asked.

Mahalo,

Jonette Kaahui-Knight  
808 754 1106

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**From:** Dennis H. Nishihara [dhnishihara@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:11 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Cc:** dhnishihara@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimonial Support of Superferry

Hawaii Judiciary and Labor Committee, Hawaii Transportation and International Affairs Committee,  
Hawaii Environment and Energy Committee.

October, 24, 2007, 10:30 am @ Hawaii State Capitol Auditorium.

I support the running of the Superferry because of the belief that this will improve the quality of life for all residents of the state of Hawaii. Socially and economically, all residents will benefit from this additional transportation option...And you know this, Man!

Sincerely,  
Dennis Nishihara

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**From:** ktw808@hawaiiintel.net  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 11:57 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Testimonial support for the Superferry service between islands

TO: Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

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I support having the Hawaii Superferry service run while the environmental impact study is being conducted. It'll give people another option to travel between islands which may sometimes be more economical for them. It's also a great way for schools to take their students over for the day when they do field trips. Thank you.

My name: Kristl Woo  
Mailing Address: 1416 Mokuna Place, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96816

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**From:** Grace Hernandez [grace@sportsmarketingusa.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:56 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Testimonial

*Hello,*

*I believe as a travel agent, this will be an additional selling point to Hawaii, I personally have not experience it, but I am pretty sure that this is something exciting and fun for all the visitors of Hawaii, visiting different island by sailing.*

*I am looking forward to experience it so I can promote better in the future.*

*Thanks,*

*Grace Hernandez*

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[grace@livermoretravel.com](mailto:grace@livermoretravel.com)

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**From:** Yan Scherman [yanscherman@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:06 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Testimonial

To: Senate Committees ( Judiciary & Labor, Transportation & Internal Affairs, Energy & Environment)

Hearing Date: Oct 24, 2007

Time: 10:30am @ State Capital

I am in SUPPORT of the SuperFerry being able to operate while conducting the Environmental Study. I feel that it is no only important for this state to have another source of transportation but for the future growth and opportunities that be available to our State.

I am a mother of two young children and think this is a wonderful way for families such as mine to travel to another island with out all the hassles of flying, renting a car, carseats and cribs. In addition to that, the time and energy lugging our bags and many other things that children need in order to be safe while traveling. By making it easier for families to travel, more business will be created within our islands. Since we are a state supported by "traveling & vacationing" dollars, islanders will be more inclined to travel within our state thus promoting economice growth and keeping it in the state.

**Have a wonderful day!**   
***ALOHA, Yan Scherman***

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**From:** Matt Williams [wmsphoto@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:53 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Surper-Ferry

I have no problem putting the Superferry through it's paces, however if it has to go through all this junk then I think Young Brothers, Matson, & Horizon Lines should go through the same paces. These environmentalist are worried about evasive species, then I think we should worry about Matson and Horizon Lines, they come from the mainland and all over the world, I would be more worried about what they bring in to Hawaii. I'm a fisherman and I troll alot and see alot of whales, to me they seem to stay away from my boat when I'm comming. I've seen the Matson ships come down the Molokai channel and they are moving really fast, and I mean fast. If the Superferry has to go slow then Matson & Horizon Lines should go slow also. If we have to wash our cars on the superferry then they should be washed on Young Brothers, Matson, & Horizon Lines. I think the Superferry is being treated unjustly. More then 80% of this state want the Superferry so just get the job done for the people. Please do not let it be about politics..Republicans against the Democrats. Get-er done!!!!!!  
The main thing is I will use it, and I would love to take my boat and truck to Kona and fish... Can you imagine the fresh fruits and vegetables we would have at farmers markets down here on Oahu.

aloha  
Matt Williams

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**From:** scottinnes@hawaii.rr.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:22 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Testimony - Hawaii Superferry Legislation

Aloha Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment:

I'm writing to give testimony on the following hearing:

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24  
Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

As a Maui and Hawaii residents and voting citizen, I would like to voice my strong support of legislation which will allow the Superferry to operate while an environmental impact statement is prepared.

This is a very important issue to Hawaii and our community. The Superferry will have a positive impact on Hawaii's business and economy, it will provide an alternative travel option, and it is the will of the majority of the people to have this service.

Please support legislation allowing Hawaii Superferry to operate while this impact statement is prepared. If we don't do this Hawaii will not have this option which is so vital to our well being.

Aloha & best Regards,

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(808) 575-4835 Home  
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## testimony

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**From:** jeanni lamb [jeanni@premiuminc.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:16 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

The Superferry enables an alternative means of transportation for both residents and visitors to travel to the outer islands. Considering tourism is what supports this state we need to expand and improve the experience if we expect to continue to attract visitors.



**testimony**

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**From:** Dennis Nishiguchi [dcn\_808@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:50 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

To: Senate Committees on Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment  
Date: 10/22/07  
Time: 9:35p.m.

To All Those Concerned,  
This is to indicate our support for the Superferry to conduct interisland ferry service while an EIS is being conducted. As business owners ourselves, we can empathize with the owners of the Superferry who have done everything they have been asked of up until now but consequentially, are now faced with daily mounting costs while not being able to produce income to offset them. Thank you.

Dennis and Claire Nishiguchi  
DCN Contracting, Inc.

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**testimony**

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**From:** Aliijr@hawaii.rr.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:16 PM  
**To:** testimony

First of all, I want to express my extreme disappointment in Hawaii's court system and the small percentage of protectionist minded protesters on our neighbor islands.

I fully support immediate action to allow the interisland ferry service to proceed operations while an EIS is being accomplished. I do believe that an EIS should be completed and that the ferry should be able to operate without any restrictions.

Our state needs the super ferry. It provides the "only" suitable substitute for an interstate highway. It will provide quick and needed transportation in the event of a disaster. It is an alternative mode of transportation between the 4 largest islands in our state. It will provide additional income to the state.

The super ferry is environmentally friendly. It does not dump waste overboard. State of the art engines run cleaner and are more efficient than other water transportation vessels currently operating in the state. Whale avoidance program is better than any other program in the state.

Please don't hinder the super ferry. I'm afraid that the super ferry stands on solid ground in suing the state for lost investments (and I believe that they should). Not to mention the \$40 million dollars borrowed by the state for harbor improvements. I don't want to pay more taxes!!

As a side note. I DO NOT support a light rail system in Hawaii. It's too expensive and there are better alternatives.

As a taxpayer in this state. I am watching very closely on how this all pans out as I will definitely cast my displeasure at election time.

Bill Montgomery  
Waimanalo, HI

Y3

**testimony**

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**From:** Gary Johnson [waikikigary@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:09 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

I support the Superferry. It adds a new and necessary dimension of travel for today. Having the opportunity to travel inter-island with ones vehicle is very important and necessary for many such as contractors, etc.

Please note my positive support. I don't think the vocal minority should have the ability to stall or stop the Superferry.

W. Gary Johnson  
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**From:** Noelani Lambert [Lambertn001@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:16 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** support for Hawaii Superferry

I support the Hawaii Superferry for the reason to enjoy and see the islands. This why we are proud of hawaii.

**testimony**

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**From:** Pat Meyers [patmeyers@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:06 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** SUPER FERRY

**ATTENTION:  
SENATE COMMITTEE/ JUDICIARY & LABOR /TRANSPORTATION & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS  
/ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT.**

**THERE IS NO REASON WHATSOEVER TO PREVENT HAWAII FROM HAVING A FERRY  
SERVICE BETWEEN THE ISLANDS.**

**THE REASONS USED BY THE SCREAMING MINORITY ARE ARE NOT VALID.**

**PLEASE USE YOUR COMMON SENSE TO PREVENT THE LOSS OF THIS WONDERFUL  
ADDITION TO OUR STATE.**

**THANK YOU.**

**PAT MEYERS  
139 ALALA ROAD  
KAILUA  
96734**

## testimony

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**From:** vern [vern@cruzinhawaii.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:49 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Cc:** Glenn Domhoff  
**Subject:** SuperFerry's positively impact

Aloha,

The SuperFerry's direct impact will positively improve the quality of living in our Island State. The ability to transfer products, services, and people on a same day basis will expand, inspire new tax paying business and help create new jobs and opportunity. This liquid highway should unite the Islands in a way that all the aircraft, the barges, the tour ships cannot duplicate. Please let the SuperFerry run. Listen to the people... not the opinions of a few self-serving individuals.

Thank you

**testimony**

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**From:** Todd Inoshita [tinosh@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:48 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry support

To whom it may concern,

The Hawaii Superferry is a positive for the State of Hawaii. It provides a different method to travel to the neighbor islands and increases local jobs. It creates a great option for tourists and local residents to see Hawaii from a truly unique perspective.

The people of Hawaii have always embraced the spirit of Aloha. Through the similarities and differences, we always seem to do the right thing for Hawaii. I welcome the service to the islands and give my full support to the Hawaii Superferry crew.

Sincerely,  
Todd M. Inoshita

**testimony**

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**From:** Eight08bids@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:15 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super Ferry testimony

Aloha ,

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

My Name is Marshall Lum on Honolulu Hawaii and Liaison for Scion Evolution Car Club of the Hawaii Chapter. We support the Hawaii Super Ferry 100%. We need this service as an option for locals to travel between the islands. We have been a car enthusiast for all our life and there was no other ways of safely transporting show cars safely with the owner being able to travel with there cars until the ferry came along and tried to provide Hawaii such a service.

Our car club was recently affected by the disruption on the ferry service by those that oppose of the service.

Our car club recently needed to move a car from Maui to Honolulu for the 50th Toyota Dealership Conference. We were supposed to use the new ferry service but those opposing the service put a stop to it. We had no alternative but to fly the show car over on Aloha Airlines in which cost the club **2000.00** shipped one way. We got the show car shipped over in a day but there was so much damage done it in which it still has to be repaired. If the ferry would have been running these damages would have never happened to the show car. Right now Aloha Airline doesn't want to take responsibility for the damages to the show car. The car still sits in Honolulu awaiting for the ferry service to bring the show car back home to Maui.

Please we are speaking behalf of all the Car Clubs in Hawaii that will benefit from the ferry service, to please get the ferry service operating as soon as possible. It has to many benefits that Hawaii can benefit from in the long run and to loose this service will be a step backwards for the Local People of Hawaii that were born and raised here.

Thank you for your time.

Aloha

Marshall Lum  
Chapter Liaison  
Scion Evolution Hawaii Chapter

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## About Scion Evolution Hawaii Chapter

Scion Evolution Hawaii is one of 33 chapters. Scion Evolution was founded in Feb 2004 and is the largest Scion owners club. The SE Hawaii Chapter was started in Nov. 2004. The club was formed on Feb. of 2004 We currently have 130 members in Hawaii including a chapter on Maui and soon the be formed Chapter on the Big Island, making us the 2nd largest SE chapter, Los Angeles being the largest chapter. SE is a Scion owners club where scion owner can share and meet other Scion Owners. SE Hawaii was started in Hawaii by Marshall Lum, Kory Kuhns, Co Yara. We also are involved in helping the community in event such as the School Supply drive that was held for Helping Hands Hawaii, Toys For Tots and food drives. Our cars also have had media coverage locally and Nationally such as Scionlife.com as a members ride making the ride of the month, Scion Evolution website as one of our members "Marshall Lum" making Member of the month, eight08.net a club feature and CO Yaras car getting a feature on the site, and the Honolulu Star Bulletin Friday Aug 19 2005 Wheels section an article was written about the School supply drive and Scion Evolution hosting it. SE Hawaii also holds a 3 time title undefeted of best Scion award and most recently at the 2006 Hot Import Nights car show won the title of Best Team.

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**testimony**

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**From:** Palaka Canefield [hnl\_2005@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:08 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

**Attn:**

**Senate Committees:**  
**Judiciary & Labor, Transportation & International Affairs, and Energy & Environment**

**Hearing Date:** Wed. Oct. 24, 2007  
**Time & Location:** 10:30am, Auditorium, State Capitol

**Dear Committee Members:**

**As Hawai'i residents, my wife & I offer our enthusiastic testimony in strong favor of allowing the Hawai'i Superferry to begin immediate operations pending completion of the EIS.**

**We were excited to be taking our Harley Davidson motorcycle to Maui last month on the Hawai'i Superferry. An inter-island vehicle ferry is an idea we had dreamed about for many years. I first thought of the idea when Seaflight came to Hawai'i in the 1970's. It was unfortunate that they did not offer land vehicle transport. More on them later....**

**For our Maui trip on the superferry, we had booked a condo on the beach in Ka'ana'pali. We planned to shop in Lahaina, attend a luau, do some diving & ride our bike all over the island. We had to cancel all of that, & have lost room deposit money as a result. Many business' in Maui lost even more, as we never spent any money there.**

**We had purchased actually two sets of tickets. We originally booked at full fare, & then booked a second date at the reduced 5 dollar fare. Many of our friends were also planning to avail of this exciting new service, which would for the first time, connect all of Hawai'i's counties to personal land vehicles.**

**Many Kama'ainas are tired of the inconvenience of flying inter-island, & then having to rent a car. Many will just stay home like we did. No superferry = no trip!**

**We were shocked, but hardly surprised, when all the resistance ensued as the long-awaited ferry service began. Hawai'i has a tragic history of allowing special interest groups to impose their own twisted view of the world upon the rest of this. This has happened with our own business ambitions.**

**It is well-known that Hawai'i has an unfriendly business climate. Many foreign & mainland business' that would like to open shop in Hawai'i will not do so. They know that it is often not cost effective, & that there are many seen & unforeseen roadblocks that can spring up here in Hawai'i.**

**Come now the Hawai'i Superferry; a long-overdue addition to our limited inter-island transportation choices. Back in the 1970's, Seaflight offered waterborne transportation between**

islands, but could not accommodate land vehicles. I recall that they had at least half a dozen high-speed hydrofoil-type boats traveling between the islands. I do not recall all of this resistance when Seaflight came to the islands.

The demise of Seaflight came because of their undersized hydrofoil boats always breaking down due to Hawai'i's high seas. I wonder why their EIS did not predict that? Could it be because they didn't do one?

We urge this committee not to allow a tiny minority of naysayers to impose their will on the vast majority of Hawai'i residents that support the superferry, & want to see it succeed. The naysayers have to understand that in a democracy, the majority rules, & the minority needs to sit down & shut up!

Mahalo for your kind attention,

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**testimony**

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**From:** Vkhiga@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:15 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

To Whom It May Concern,

My husband, Jamin D. Kau and I, Vanessa K. Kau completely support the Hawaii Superferry to operate in the Hawaiian Island Chain. It gives us opportunities not be confined to old choices. I believe it would only bring more revenue to the state as another attractive way to see the island chain for locals as well as tourists. We as a state rely so heavily on the tourism industry and by not letting the Hawaii Superferry operate only shows the rest of the world how closed off and small minded we are here in the islands.

Change is necessary to grow.

Mahalo for your time,  
Jamin and Vanessa Kau

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**From:** Charmaine Boyd Kahumoku [psalm5psalm18@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:48 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** RE: SUPPERFERRY

Dear Sir/Madam,

I believe the supperferry will be an advantage in interisland communiting.

We have allowed business such as Costco, K-Mart and Wal-Mart.

They fought against the "H-3" and now it's a great benefit.

Please re-consider and approved this business so that people of Hawaii can visit their families without paying more than the tourist.

Thank you for your time and i believe the capitol will make the correct decision so the ferry can go forward and aid us in saving money in the long-run.

Sincerely,

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kahumoku

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**From:** BRETT GLASS [bgpianoman@email.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:13 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Legislature's Public Access Room Super ferry testimony

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

Aloha to all legislators in the House and State Senate of Hawaii ,

I would like this testimony entered into the record . You need to understand the importance of the laws you are going to be in acting . Being a self employed business man in Hawaii I'm very concerned that all of the laws are applied fairly , and equally to all similar type businesses . If not you open our government up to more of the same . Causing wasted tax dollars to fight law suits . Be very careful with these 29 so called restrictions and those that are pushing for them . They must apply to all businesses not just the Super ferry . If you set a speed limit restriction , it will need to apply to all other boats operating in the same area including military . And if you add extra inspections for agriculture or invasive species control . They will need to be applied to all others that offer similar services . Right now Imu rocks can travel between the island through the airports . The TSA inspectors tell me they see rocks everyday . And what about inspecting barges with containers ? Also the washing of cars , that will need to be done at the ports as well as other items like containers that move between the islands . Or even the need to do EAs and possible EISs for secondary impacts will need to be addressed for all others for fair implementation of the law . After all we know that the folks that started all of this didn't not have the issues they put up to fight the Ferry in mind as there true intent . Other wise they would have put an injunction against all movement of boats and barges moving between the islands at the very least . If other Planes , Boats , Barges , and even people moving between the islands are not held to the same standard you will open the door to more law suits . Do not be surprised if you find the state being sued by a new "non-profit " group of local business men seeking an injunction to stop service while forcing the EAs on other businesses . You need to correct the laws that have given too much power to special interest groups with an agenda . You need to be in control . That is what we elect you to do . This is about so much more than the Super Ferry . Please keep that in mind as you move to correct this mess the very laws you have put in place have created .

Thank you from a pro Super ferry , pro state of Hawaii , and pro business islander .

Brett Glass  
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 Wailuku, HI 96793  
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**From:** Morrison, Diana [Diana.Morrison@coair.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:40 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** TESTIMONY

## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please allow the Superferry to continue to operate interisland service to the Hawaiian Islands. Environmental groups had their chance to make a statement long before the ferry service was ever put into a plan. At least give it some time frame to prove itself.

From a personal standpoint, I work for an airline who has partnership with your Hawaiian Airlines. By allowing the ferry service to continue will most likely raise the price of airfare to compensate. However, I do not depend on the Superferry to provide me, or my family, local transportation to and from the islands on a regular basis! Many local residents of Hawaii would not otherwise be able to afford transportation to be with their extended families on other islands. And that, is a big part of their Hawaiian culture! Don't let that happen!

Thank you for your attention.

Diana Morrison  
Houston, TX

**testimony**

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**From:** Tony [tajs@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:14 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

**For two years now, I have been waiting for the Superferry. It is just a shame that people didn't do there job two years ago, instead of waiting the day before the Superferry was suppose to start its historic run to require it to have the environmental impact study done.**

**Not with standing, since the Superferry did follow to the letter everything it was asked to do prior to the launch date , such as hiring two people as look out for the soul purpose of spotting whales. Providing an eradication process so that no harmful animal nor agriculture pests would be transported from island to island, I feel that the Superferry should be aloud to proceed with it's run until the study is finished.**

**A few months ago a trimaran sailboat hit a whale and sunk. You didn't see anyone crying stop the racing boats from cruising our waters, Why the ferry. When the Young Brothers barges bring in snakes, and frogs, ( yes the frogs, where do you think they came from in the first place) no one said stop the barges, why the ferry. When they have big events in Honolulu that brings thousands of people extra to the downtown area, and causes traffic backups galore, no one says please do not come to our town and bring all that congestion, why the ferry with it's little bit of 250 cars, that for the most part will be going back the same afternoon.**

**The Laws were not broken by the Superferry, they complied. It is up to all of us to give them a well earned break and let them resume their runs.**

**Sincerely  
Anthony Storino**



## testimony

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**From:** Don Fernandez [don@epoxynet.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:14 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support for allowing the Super Ferry to run

I am the President of a company that does high Tech. structural repairs for all types of buildings. We have kept away from offering services to the outer islands because of the hassles of shipping materials and equipment. *Our materilas are not available on the outer islands requiring them to be shipped in. The hassle of running materials to the docks then trying to get the materials unloaded from the docks is time consuming and exasperating.* Because most of the materials are non toxic and non flammable they can be shipped on the Super Ferry. Most rental companies do not rent trucks and the cost if any damage is done to them is very high. The convenience of taking our own trucks, with materials and equipment ready, is very lucrative.

Our systems save buildings and save people large amount of money in building repairs. Our services would help the *outer island communities. Without the Super Ferry we have no interest in expanding our services to the outer islands.*

On a personal note my friends and I would love to be avid motorcycle tourists. Shipping motorcycles on Young Brothers is a nightmare. You have to drop the cycle at the docks with your own pallet. You need a ride home. Young Brothers will not loan you a pallet so you have to buy one on the outer islands to ship your cycle back and of course you need a ride to the airport from the docks. Renting motorcycles requires transportation from the airport to the rental establishment, none of which are near the airport. The Super Ferry would make motorcycle touring easy and enjoyable.

Oahu loves the more relaxed setting of the outer islands. I am sure outer island people will apprecitae using the super ferry to pick up the large merchandise available on Oahu that is just not available on the outer islands and is just to bulky to take on a plane.

Please allow the Super Ferry to run, with the fewest special requirements. My business and I are really looking forward to this alternative island transportation.

Sincerely,

Don Fernandez  
President  
Epoxy Restoration LLC  
1030 Auloa Road  
Kailua, HI 96734  
230-8673

**testimony**

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**From:** Don Shore [ds.hi@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:11 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

To withhold the SUPERFERRY is to withhold growth. Without growth a community dies. If the "good old boy" network prevails, the vast majority looes.

Don Shore  
[ds.hi@earthlink.net](mailto:ds.hi@earthlink.net)

**testimony**

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**From:** Victoria Bordignon [victoriabordignon@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:13 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY  
**Importance:** High

I live on Kauai for 8.5 years and now live on Oahu.

THE SUPERFERRY IS A GOOD ALTERNATIVE MODE OF TRANSPORTATION. I AGREE THAT IT WILL NOT INCREASE CARS ON OUTER ISLANDS BECAUSE RENTAL CARS WOULD HAVE BEEN RENTED ANYWAY. IT IS RIDICULOUS THAT THE IMPRESSION IS THAT A MODE OF TRANSPORTATION CANNOT CROSS COUNTIES WITHIN THE SAME STATE. IT IS ABOUT TIME THE STATE GOT INVOLVED. IF I WAS SUPERFERRY I WOULD BE SUEING THE STATE IF THEY DO NOT ABSOLVE THE PROTESTS.

SO ON THE MAINLAND I CANNOT TAKE A BOAT FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TO NORTHERN CALIFORNIA?

Please stop this barbaric nonsense from the outer islands.

Victoria Bordignon

**testimony**

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**From:** hubert silva [silvah003@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:11 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

Dear Sirs

I have waited a long time for a new mode of transportation between islands  
I find it amusing that our 2 airlines can suddenly offer \$19.95 fares when Mesa(GO) Airlines moves in. Do you think that we kamaaina's have been ripped off? How many free trip's did Hawaiian and Aloha offer? Hundreds!! How could they afford this if they weren't ripping us off? Let them work for their money! Competing with other modes of transportation brings out more realistic prices!  
Funny that those vocal environmentalists don't ask for E.I.S's from the U.S. Navy, Young Brothers Tug and Barge, Cruise lines and other similar venues Their islands would shrivel and cease to exist I doubt that any of them pound poi. Viva competition!!  
Please don't let us get shafted again!

Aloha  
Hubert and Frances Silva

**testimony**

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**From:** gerald hew [hivikesfan10@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:47 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** HI Superferry Support

To Whom it may concern,

I support the Superferry. This will be great for businesses, the people of HI as well as the people the Superferry employs. The environment is a concern that can be address without letting the Superferry shut down or leave. Please don't let a blessing that the majority of the people want pass us. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Gerald Hew

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**From:** Bob and Lorrie Cahn [tandemdriver@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:13 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** IN FAVOR OF SUPER FERRY

I think it is really important that the people of Hawaii have a choice of how they travel. Having the Super Ferry gives us an alternative to flying, providing flexibility in traveling to the neighbor islands, allowing us to bring cars and sporting equipment, which we currently can not take advantage of. Ferries are very popular in Europe and are well used and should be an option here. Aloha, Lorrie Cahn

Lorrie Cahn  
1030-E Awawamalu Street  
Honolulu, HI 96825

testimony

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**From:** Melvin N. Royer [melRoyer@netscape.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:44 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** 110 % SUPPORT OF SUPERFERRY

Dear Senators: My wife (Hilo girl) and I, are totally in support of the Superferry traveling to ALL islands.  
Please vote that way.

Mahalo, Mel & Nani Royer

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**testimony**

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**From:** Antonio Uy [abuy\_lc@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 10:06 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

The superferry is very helpful to many people because it is cheaper and affordable. It will promote also tourism to neighboring islands for the same reason that it is very much more affordable and enjoyable too.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

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To:Senate Committees: Judiciary and labor, Transportation and International Affairs and Energy and Environment. Hearing Date: Wednesday October 24, 2007. Time and Location. 1030 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol.

My name is Harold F. McPherson Residence: 94-6753 Kamaoa Rd., P.O. Box 618 Naalehu, Hi. 96772.

I am definitely In favor of having Super Ferry service as soon as possible. It will do for Hawaii what the Alaska Marine Highway system has done for Alaska.

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## testimony

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**From:** Tate Fong [captaincaveman@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 7:01 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** for the superferry

I would like to pledge my support for the superferry. I believe that it is a great opportunity for all people in Hawaii and the millions that visit as it offers another avenue for travel to the outer islands. This is the year 2007 and as the 50th state, we need to move forward and change with the times. I believe that a band on the superferry's travels will have a very large and negative impact on not only businesses in Hawaii, but those who wish to bring their business from around the country or overseas. Who would want to business here if there is so much fuss and distress, and lack of support for new business opportunities?

I cannot see how much different the superferry's travel across our oceans and into our ports can be from say, the large vessels that bring over our food, cars, gas/oil and other things we use in everyday life.

These ships are at least the size of the superferry if not larger and heavier. How much environmental studies have been done on these types of ships and why would they be much different from the superferry?

thank you and I FULLY SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY!

Jason Tate Fong

**testimony**

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**From:** Minnie Lou [raggedylou@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:58 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Please support Superferry

It is simply time for the legislature to exert leadership and approve a way that will allow Superferry to operate immediately and without more restriction. Environmental concerns have been more than adequately met. If we lose this chance for efficient, pleasant, rapid interisland transportation it will be shameful. I'm counting on you to take firm action to support it. Sincerely,

Minnie Lou C Long  
47-194 Kamehameha Hwy  
Kaneohe, HI 96744

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**testimony**

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**From:** brandon vice [bvord@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:32 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Super Ferry testimony

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

Aloha,

I live on Oahu and have visited most of the other islands. It is always time consuming to plan a trip, making sure the flight times, car rental availability and hotel accommodations. The Superferry will simplify the process by eliminating the need for a rental car and at the same time also reduce the overcrowded parking garage at the Honolulu Airport. The convenience of taking a car also allows the traveler to take additional luggage that would be too heavy to take on airlines like scuba gear. The Superferry would have little to no effect on the way tourist travel or rent services, it could only benefit how Hawaiians travel and conduct business within their own state. In closing, I do not believe this whole controversy is about the environment, because the Superferry is more environment friendly than airplanes.

Mahalo,  
Brandon Vice

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**From:** HapaLuvRBoy@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:58 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Super Ferry

Aloha From Maui!

This e-mail is in support of the Hawaii Super Ferry to be allowed to run within the state of Hawaii during the Environmental Assesment is being done.

This Super Ferry is a Major Link that connects the Hawaiian Islands.

*It is a major asset the to hawaii in case of an emergency or natural disaster.*

Should the Hawaii Super Ferry have to leave Hawaii, this would MOST DEFINETLY damage the economy and damage the visitor industry as it will leave a lasting impression to the outsiders as what kind of people we have and how we handle a tough situation and how we allowed a MAJOR good thing to happen here be RUDLY punished when all the Hawaii Super Ferry was to do is good for the ENTIRE State of Hawaii.

This Super Ferry also opened MANY MANY jobs to the people of Hawaii.

I wish the Super Ferry much luck and Love from Maui and we do hope that the Super Ferry will be able to run while the Ea is being done.

With All Hopes that a good thing will happen for the Hawaii Super Ferry,

Shawn M. Fujisawa, owner  
The Coffee Store KIHEI

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**From:** Donna Otto [rdo@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:57 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** support for the Superferry

I am in support of the Superferry and feel it will be an asset to our economy.

Donna Otto  
(808) 247-7775

**testimony**

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**From:** Annie Fernandez-Ferreira [annieloving@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:31 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** SUPER FERRY

I am in favor of running the Super Ferry while the environmental impact study is taking place. There should be a time frame for the study that respect the integrity of the due process.

Annie Loving Ferreira  
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**From:** Palani [palanilou@hawaii.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:53 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I WANT IT

As a new person since February .. got my Drivers License new home Hospital set ups dental and now I WANT THE FERRY!! These activists are screaming NO to it same as ANY new land event in the beginning as these activists do this for personal noteriaty .. seeing the same thing happen while I lived in San Diego California.

YES ... on the SUPER FERRY and for more of them in the near future!! It sure will help cut down on our travel costs between our Islands!!!

Frank L Burgess

DIGITAL ARTIST ON BIG ISLAND HAWAII

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**testimony**

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**From:** Elizabeth Baldwin [ebaldwin@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:57 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

State Senate Judiciary and Labor Committee, Transportation and International Affairs Committee, Energy and Environment Committee

Hearing Date: October 24, 2007, 10:30am, State Capitol Auditorium

Aloha -

As one of the many supporters of the Hawaii Superferry I would like to add my voice to the many others in favor of allowing the Superferry to operate while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

While many claims of the dangers posed by the Superferry on our ocean wildlife as well as the spread of invasive species are possible, it is more likely to occur with the unregulated and unsupervised operations of the various whale tours, fishing trawlers, and cruise ships. The Superferry has already taken many preventative steps in their Standard Operating Procedures to avoid harming the ocean wildlife and curtailing the spread of invasive species.

The Superferry has so many more positive aspects than negative that it is hard to understand the reluctance of the protesters on the islands of Maui and Kaua'i. It would greatly enhance our tourist attraction by making an affordable "mini-cruise" to the outer islands available for those unable to take a regular cruise. The economic gains for each island will increase with the constant movement of Superferry visitors by allowing them to visit and move through the islands instead of being "landed" on one island.

Maui has begun televising its Maui Minute commercials trying to attract visitors to events taking place on their island. How hypocritical is it to then be so unwelcoming to visitors coming via the Superferry? How much better could it be to welcome visitors using the Superferry for these events who leave to go home to the other islands without taking up extra airplane seats and cars so that regular visitors to the island are still able to get there and rent cars?

Kaua'i was devastated by Hurricane Iniki and has not fully recovered from its destruction yet. It is so sad to see the Coco Palms sit vacant. Kaua'i could use the Superferry to help boost its economy with visitors traveling though that beautiful island. It could stimulate the economy enough to rebuild the many businesses and hotels hurt by Iniki. When another hurricane strikes and the Superferry is gone, will these same protesters then ask the state why there is no help coming to them?

More importantly, it would be a boon to the state at a time when emergency response is needed. The ability to move throughout the islands bringing supplies, emergency workers and equipment, and food would be immeasurable. That point alone should make sense to approve the operating of the Superferry. With the effects of global warming causing unstable weather and a greater threat of hurricanes, it seems imperative that we have an alternative means of transportation for emergencies to aid air travel and barges.

Allowing the Superferry to operate while the environmental impact statement is being conducted is the best test of its ability to avoid harm to the environment and any peoples. It seems illogical to prevent the operation of something that could be of great significance to the islands because of what "might happen". So many clinical trials for medicines that have cured people or prevented the spread of diseases could not have happened without first testing them on people. Let the Superferry run supervised so that it can prove its worth to our state that is now known as one of the unfriendliest to businesses.

Thank you for the opportunity to raise my voice.

Respectfully yours,

Elizabeth A. Baldwin

10/23/2007

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**From:** Alohaminda@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:57 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

**October 22, 2007**

**Judiciary and Labor Committees  
Transportation and International Affairs  
Energy and Environment**

**To Whom It May Concern:**

I am in support and highly recommend that the Hawaii Superferry be allowed to provide transport to the public while environmental impact study is being conducted. For many, this will provide an alternate aloha interisland travel.

**Lina M Souza  
55 S. Judd Street #1710  
Honolulu, Hi 96817**

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**From:** Sarah Van De Vanter [sarahsmiles@eramaui.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:56 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I support the Super Ferry!!!!

**To Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

**RE:** Testimony in Support of the Superferry

October 22, 2007

Dear Honorable Senate Chairs and members of the Committees:

You have a tremendous opportunity to do something that will have a positive, profound effect on the economic vitality of our great State. I strongly support the Superferry and urge you to pass any legislation you deem necessary to allow the Superferry to operate during the EIS.

*My primary residence is Kihei, Maui with my secondary residence being in Kaimuki, Oahu. I need to be able to travel back and forth for my business (primarily buying and selling Real Estate for myself and many clients throughout the State).*

I sold one of my cars in anticipation of the Superferry service. I have a dog, Duke (see picture below) and I was very excited to be allowed to take him on the ferry with me, in my truck, with all my personal and business needs in one mobile location (as opposed to having to invest in 2 of everything I need; from fax machines, paperwork, and office necessities to tools, toiletries and other personal effects).

I paddle canoe, both one and six man, and would like to be able to travel with my boat on my truck. There are racing series on both islands I was hoping to participate in, even on Kauai. In fact there is a race from Maui to Molokai, then to Oahu, and the next week on Kauai; the Superferry would be able to accommodate trailers of boats for all these races that link our Statewide paddling community! Recently, several outrigger canoes have been damaged shipping on young brothers and I would feel safer transporting the boats myself. This would be especially helpful when we transport priceless Koa canoes to Oahu for the State race at Keehi Lagoon in August. The canoes could be trailered by the canoe clubs right onto the Superferry eliminating the need to tie them onto platforms where they get jostled around by giant fork lifts onto the barges and then loaded back onto trailers to get them to and from Young Brothers!

I know other business owners will be able to make use of the Superferry to expand their business, possibly their client base, and bring a better bottom line to the State in the way of Economic Vitality. I believe the Superferry will link Hawaii and we will be able to transport goods and expand services which will benefit everyone!

We are not like the Mainland United States where one is able to drive across country and take a family vacation in the Station Wagon. When the surf's up, why not load a couple boards and jump

on the ferry? Or bring a bike for triathlons or just cruising around? Please give us an alternative to flying to each island so that we may truly experience living in this great and unique State!

Unite the Islands!

Mahalo for the opportunity to give testimony,

Sarah Van De Vanter

Realtor (S)



**testimony**

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**From:** DKMIHARA@cs.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:51 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I Support the Hawaii Superferry

Legislators,

*Is there any difference between a barge that transports vehicles or an airplane that transports people? Cruise ships may come from far away destinations, but the Hawaii Superferry stays in Hawaii.*

Donn K. Mihara

**testimony**

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**From:** Oswald Mackey [oz76@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:56 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

**Hawaii needs alternate methods for its citizens to travel between the Islands. I strongly support the Hawaii State Legislature's bill that will allow the Superferry to operate.**

Oswald E. Mackey  
75-402 Hoene St.  
Kailua Kona, HI 96740

**testimony**

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**From:** Kevin Ancog [jan1192@hawaiiantel.net]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:54 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** Support for the Superferry

Honorable Legislators,

As voting citizens of Hawaii, my wife and I urge you for your support of the Superferry in the upcoming hearing on October 24<sup>th</sup> at the State Capitol. We understand that there are many legitimate environmental and safety concerns, but we maintain that there is a need for an alternative means of inter-island transportation.

The ferry will greatly serve local families who want to visit relatives, workers who must commute to Oahu for work (which I had to do when I lived on the Big Island), outer-island small businesses who want to expand their clientele on Oahu, and a means of transporting needed supplies and personnel in case of a natural disaster.

Please offer the same opportunities that our local airlines and shipping businesses receive from our state government. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Kevin & Robin Ancog  
Pearl City, Oahu

**testimony**

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**From:** Kalei & Angel [kaioa003@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:56 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Legislature's Public Access Room

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

With great Pleasure, I am overwhelmed by Such acts of our culture, towards the Hawaii Super Ferry. I will like to state my claim, and Pursue, my Support to the Hawaii Super Ferry, Positively in Favor, to see this Boat Sail in our Hawaii waters.

I'm concerned, about the way, people have been crucifying the Hawaii Super Ferry, when all in all this Awesome Idea which became a reality, is just another opportunity to help the state of Hawaii, too have ways and means, to travel to another island.

With great pleasure, We welcome the Hawaii Super Ferry, in ways, this has been, an extraordinary project, for low income families, who can save, on making there trip cheaper. For my family and I, I welcome the Hawaii Super Ferry, because, it is cost efficient, for my family and I too travel. I am in Favor for the Hawaii Super Ferry, and I DO want too have this Business, expand, and grow with my children.

A lot of these negative talks, from many of those who are against the Hawaii Super Ferry, about having to do an environmental experiment. Well we have many Barges that travel to and fro. That is there Supplies of Food, some Transportation, GAS, oil you name it. Hey, how bout if that had all stopped, like the Super Ferry, They would all be lost with none of essential needs, needed too provide for there home.

For me, Its cheaper, its convenient, it has all the Functions of comfort for both my husband and I, as well as my children. Yet its awesome too have them here, and be a Ohana with all Hawaii Residents, and make a Mark for our future children.

I want the Hawaii Super Ferry too set sail and stay in Hawaii for a very longtime, and I look forward to having my children, witness an era, to be apart of this growing business. I Support the Hawaii Super Ferry, please do not let me down, and let it ride.

Sincerely,

Angel Kaio



**testimony**

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**From:** Rob Stephenson [treborob@mac.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:55 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support for Superferry

I am writing in support of the Hawaii Superferry being able to operate while the environmental assessment is taking place.

In my humble opinion, the Hawaii Superferry will be a far greater benefit to the people of Hawaii than a detriment. It will be able to stimulate the economy of neighbor islands, provide a reasonably priced alternative for inter-island travel to those who do not have the economic means to travel otherwise, and show the world that Hawaii can be a model for reasonable progress while protecting the environment as well.

The arguments that the opposition are making are inconsistent and irrational, do not seem to conform to any sort of logic and have not been imposed against any of the other modes of inter-island travel to include, cargo ships, barges (cargo and vehicle transport), airlines adding routes, cruise ships, and private air and sea craft. Opposition for the sake of opposition is irresponsible to both the peoples and the economy of this great state of Hawaii.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Stephenson  
[treborob@mac.com](mailto:treborob@mac.com)

YJ

**testimony**

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**From:** Dave Jr Hoppe [davejrh@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:29 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

I certify that I am a State of Hawaii resident.

My purpose in writing this is to show my support for the Hawaii Super Ferry and similar ventures. I, my family and the local corporation to which I am employed plan on using the Hawaii super Ferry.

It is imperative that the Hawaii Super Ferry be granted temporary use of the states water ways while an environmental assessment is performed, submitted and reviewed. Further, it is my hope as a tax payer that the State and county governing officials review said venture impartially and with an eye towards other maritime businesses currently operating.

Thank you for your time,

Dave Hoppe  
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**From:** Kamana'o Chun [kamao@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:55 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** *Keep the super ferry alive for the benefit of all islands*

I am a Hawaiian, and i support the super ferry because i understand the economic impact it can leave on us. I also believe that by shutting down the super ferry it will send a message to the people that the majority is weaker then the minority and our voices are not heard by the government.

Please help keep the super ferry alive for all Hawaiians, native and foreign. Mahalo

## testimony

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**From:** Jeff Chlupsa [jchlupsa@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:55 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

First off Aloha from Waipahu.

I feel that the Hawaii Superferry should be allowed to run its inter-island routes which will make it so families like mine can afford to travel to the other Hawaiian Islands. With airfare being as unstable as it is and most likely going back up to the \$90 + one way range, the Superferry provides a very affordable alternative, not only for those of us here on Oahu but those on the other islands as well even if they are not traveling to Oahu, which many will do.

Not only family travel but business travel will be helped. That being said the issue of the so called 29 MUST BE INCLUDED STEPS by the different groups is so full of holes it just doesn't float. These same cars/trucks go by barged if not on the Superferry and the vehicle inspection is not required. Bringing plants back and forth is yet another outrageous requirement. I could go on but I would rather read the Sunday funny pages.

By the way I would also like to know if at the meetings on the outer island if some form of ID check was done for the attendees in the crowd to make sure that ONLY registered Hawaii voters were allowed to ask questions or voice their opinion. I would bet if it had been all the organizers from the mainland would have blew a fuse as it's common knowledge that the folks behind it are from out of state and SHOULD NOT be able to speak.

Anyway I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry being able to resume operations at the earliest possible time. I would also like to request a email as to how the voting went and who voter for and against so I can see what my elected official voted.

Mahalo

Jeff Chlupsa  
94-980 Awanani St  
Waipahu, HI 96797

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**From:** Claire Bailey [cbailey@hinamauka.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:56 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** superferry

Aloha,

I am interested in possibly becoming a consumer of utilizing the means of transportation with the Superferry. First of all, I don't see what the big deal is--I mean there are alot of other large boats and ships already out there that could harm our ocean and its sea creatures. Secondly, I've just been to Kauai and spoken to alot of the natives there. They are not the ones who are against or complaining about the Superferry. They say it's the rich people who's making it an issue-I think it will impact their livelihood if anything and they're stirring up other groups to look for things to prevent what needs to happen anyway. I feel maybe our Governor did not strategically handle the matter or approached it formally like she should have, however, I believe this change will help our economy flourish. I don't particularly care for our Governor but I think she does have some good ideas on making progress for our state. So I just wished everyone would get over it already and stop trying to prevent the inevitable. Look for other things more important to complain about! How about our homeless situation? What are we doing to try to resolve that? Do we wait until more people die or get murdered before we decide that something needs to be done about it? Sorry Greenpeace or whatever animal activist--no offense but we are not God and evolution proves we are not the ones who have a say in which ones go or stay...same with plants!

Signed

Concerned more about humanistic issues--

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**testimony**

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**From:** Beata Saito [saitob002@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:55 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** Support for Superferry

I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry as it will bring much needed travel alternative between the Islands.

The additional means of affordable and convenient transportation (which is lacking in Hawaii) will allow the residents as well as the tourists to experience the Islands.

The Superferry will also benefit the business community by making it easier and more affordable to ship goods and services between the Islands.

We need the Superferry.

Sincerely,  
Beata Saito

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**From:** Clayton Hubner [hubner@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:54 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Strong support for the Super Ferry Bill

Gentlemen and Ladies;

I am writing to offer strong support for the Super Ferry Bill.

Hawaii's heritage is steeped in the relationship that its people have with the sea, and its prosperity and unity are linked to the ability of her people to cross these inter-island waters.

Our islands need a fast, high-capacity, inter-island ferry service. The enormous benefits of this service, in terms of improvements to commerce, public safety, public transportation, tourism, not to mention enhancements to the state economy, opportunity for small businesses, etc. far outweigh any costs or risks identified so far.

The Hawaii supreme court erred in applying chapter 343 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes to the operation of the Super Ferry. This new legislation is required to resolve this lapse and to clarify the way in which the State will handle the services provided by large capacity ferry vessels.

I urge the legislature to adopt this new bill that will allow us all to enjoy the many benefits of inter-island ferry service.

Very truly yours,

Clayton Hubner

55-603B Naniloa Loop  
Laie, HI 96762

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**From:** Danielle R Angel [angeld@hawaii.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:54 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

I would like to express my support for the Hawaii Superferry. In my first year of college, about 5 years ago, I went to a school in Seattle and my fiance lived in Sequim on the peninsula. There was a ferry there that provided transport of individuals and vehicles much like the Superferry. It was a cheap and fast way for me to get to the peninsula instead of having to drive miles around. I think that this is what Hawaii needs, with so many families having relatives on other islands, it is the perfect solution for travel during graduations and first birthday luaus and so forth when entire families need to travel and need their cars as well.

I think the superferry would be a great addition to interisland travel within Hawaii.

Thank you.

Danielle R. Angel



**testimony**

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**From:** Ronald Almonte [rwalmonte@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:53 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** superferry

I'm for the superferry, because it will be a benefit for small businesses like myself and others. I support another means of transportation.

Ronald W. Almonte, President  
R. W. Almonte Enterprises, Inc.  
General Contracting  
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**From:** Leilani Kouchi [leiandashley@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:46 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry Support

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

To whom it may concern:

I would like to voice my support of the Superferry. I feel that the superferry will provide safe transportation to the neighbor islands as well as Oahu. It would also be a great asset for our State in the event of a natural disaster. Please allow the superferry to return to service immediately to service the people of Hawaii as well as our visitors from the mainland.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mahalo & Aloha,  
Leilani Kouchi

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**From:** Kela Baker [kelab@clearwire.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 8:54 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** support for superferry

I am Hawaiian, Born and Raised in Hawaii and am in favor of the Superferry! I think this will allow Hawaii to progress and to help us prepare for the future! It also shows people of the world that we are a business friendly state.

I SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY!

Daniel M. Baker Jr.

**testimony**

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**From:** bheverly@hotmail.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:51 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry Support

To whom it may concern,

I grew up the big island, went to the University of Hawaii, was commissioned in the United States Air Force, and recently retired after twenty years. The superferry will be a great benefit for local folks to visit relatives, friends, and family; work on neighbor islands; and the obvious benefit to local folks and tourists being able to travel and tour among the islands. Many of my high school classmates have not visited for any length of time any of the neighbor islands because of rental car prices or due to inconvenience to their relatives.

It would seem that environmental impact is being used to once again not really protect anything in our environment, but to kill a great capability for the islands (Cruise ships, containers, and military vessels move among our islands freely). I have yet to hear of one expert that says that whales would not avoid this noisy vessel, but in turn I hear no environmental statements against the kayaks, surfers, or swimmers that routinely disturb these gentle beasts for a thrill. In addition, it seems that the EIS is for the ports that allow our oil dripping Young Brothers' tugs to continue to operate daily. On the other hand, we would ban a more modern and less polluting vessel from the same harbors.

Finally, economically we need to recoup our losses from our bonds and support new businesses in the islands. I once sent letters to try to get Hawaii designated as a free-trade zone when Hong Kong closed. We could have been a gateway for possible integration of high-tech from the far east before movement to the mainland. In the aftermath of 9/11, Hawaii could have also become a new security zone to help monitor cargo to the west coast of the U.S. We continue to miss many opportunities and I would like us to not lose another so that my son does not have to move away to find employment.

My family, my parents, and I support the superferry! Mahalos..

Sincerely

Bryan, Jodi, Donovan, Donald and Dorothy Heverly

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**From:** Linda Morin [linmorin@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:52 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Fwd: Let the Super Ferry Sail.

To

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

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**From:** **Linda Morin** <linmorin@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Oct 22, 2007 9:43 PM  
**Subject:** Let the Super Ferry Sail.  
**To:** testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

Please support the Super Ferry to sail now.. There has been no damage done to the Aina. The damage that has been done has been to the people of Hawaii and the Super Ferry. A minority want to delay the Super Ferry so it has no choice but to leave our beautiful Islands. It will never be back. If it leaves no one will want to even do an EIS or an EA. That is thir goal to prevent the EA or the EIS and make the Ferry leave... Why is the Question. Please support the Ferry with guide lines and conditions. But let it sail...and do the EA and EIS. Linda Morin , 706 A Spencer Street. Honolulu, HI.. 808-772-2261.

Thank you for your work and deliberations, Your decision will determine the power of the legislature for the next 20 years. Do we want the law set by you or the courts. It is your choice.

Aloha and Mahalo; Linda Morin.

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## testimony

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**From:** Shshohetvln@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:52 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** In support of the Superferry

**To: Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

To whom it may concern:

Please allow the Superferry to operate while an environmental study is being done. It is important for residents in the State of Hawaii to be able to travel economically to outer islands. As a music teacher, musician, and director of a student violin ensemble, I feel it would present affordable opportunities for my students to travel to perform on outer islands and encourage their local music students. It would also make it possible for students from outer islands to come to Oahu for music lessons or for music camps. Students from outer islands could come for a one-day trip to attend a Honolulu Symphony Youth Concert, or on Saturdays or Sundays to participate in Youth Symphony rehearsals. The Honolulu Symphony would be able to travel to give more concerts on outer islands. The negative impact of airplane traffic on the environment, already proven, is much worse than of a Superferry.

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Thank you for considering serious music students and music fans.

Sincerely,  
Sheryl A. Shohet

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**From:** Vi Medeiros [mrsvi@prodigy.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:26 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

**Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment**

**Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24**

**Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol**

**The Superferry is a needed asset for the State of Hawai'i as an alternative form of travel and transportation of vehicles. Please support the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.**

**Mahalo for your support!**

**Aloha,  
Mr & Mrs FV Medeiros  
Kaneohe, HI**

**testimony**

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**From:** Norm Chai [norm\_chai@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:51 PM  
**To:** testimony; Charlie Chai; Lori C; Mark Chai; Vince Oue; Ted & Lois Duby; norm\_chai@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Support for Superferry Testimony

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

Aloha State Senators,

I support the Superferry. The Superferry should not be discriminated against because it is no different than riding a ship, shipping your car via interisland barge or traveling interisland on an airplane. There are no restrictions on cars being shipped via the barges, and people riding on airplanes concerning agriculture inspection or cleaning vehicles. People traveling by the Superferry would not rent a car therefore no increased cars on the neighbor islands. If Superferry has a speed limit on it, all other ships/boats should be restricted to the same limit. The Superferry has no propellers so whales won't be killed by propellers.

The Superferry should be allowed to use the same EIS as the Pride of Aloha and Young Brothers Barges.

Please pass the law to let the Superferry sail!

Mahalo,

Norm Chai  
Kailua

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**From:** Lane Maloney [lanemaloney@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:44 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Cc:** lane Maloney  
**Subject:** Allow the Superferry! Don't be schmucks.

Don't make Hawaii a laughing stock to the rest of the country. Please.

We order a ferry; the majority wants it; and then make it impossible for the ferry to stay.  
Don't do that. Allow the Superferry.

Lane Maloney, Moiliili

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**From:** Steve Mori [golf2838@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:23 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Legislature's Public Access Room

To whom it may concern:

Returning from an overseas assignment, learned of the SuperFerry. I appears a a great means of travel between the island. Something we need years ago.

1. Concur, the EIS is needed. However, this may take place as the ferry is already in operation, since the State of Hawaii made a commitment to the people of Hawaii to invest in it with our tax dollars.
2. The EIS will be done by a good firm of Belt, Collins and Associates and know they can do the job, since I have previously worked with them on the staff.
3. The EIS is a rather streamline means to determine what the environmental issues are. Once layed out it can be accomplished in a timely manner, provided the funding is available.
4. The opponents are focused in the wrong direction. They should not be telling the Legislature under what conditions the ferry can operate or put it into the bill. This is insane. Rather their concerns should be focused on the firm doing the work and identify their concerns to them.
5. Finally, as a concerned citizen, request swift legislation to keep the ferry operational and have the firm do the EIS ASAP, rather then dwell on the bill.

Sincerely,

Stephen G. Mori

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**From:** Helene Tajiri [h.tajiri@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:51 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** in support of the Super Ferry

Dear Honorable Legislators,

I am in favor of letting the Super Ferry run because we need an alternative means of travel between islands other than airplanes. The Super Ferry is not creating any more traffic than is already present because it is simply an interisland carrier taking people from island to island. I can't see how it is a threat to our environment when huge Cruise Ships visit our islands daily.

Thank you kindly for taking the time to read through this testimony.

Sincerely,  
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## testimony

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**From:** vera [vkong@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:43 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** My support

I support the Superferry here in Hawaii. I don't believe it should be singled out for an EIS. There are many other water vehicles running between our islands.

The Superferry offers another choice to the people of Hawaii.

I think it's a shame that a handful of protesters can derail something that can benefit many more of us.

Please support the Superferry.

Mahalo,  
Vera Yamanaka, Oahu resident

**testimony**

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**From:** BarbeeJP@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:50 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support For Hawaii Superferry

With reference to the hearing to be held on Wednesday, October 24, 2007, at 10:30 a.m., at the State Capital Auditorium, by the following Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment, I hereby submit my testimony in support of the Superferry.

I support the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. This is a service that will benefit many in the State of Hawaii.

We cannot single out the Superferry for the invasive species problem. Other carriers who are already operating in the State, private boat owners and private air carriers, and others, are equally responsible for the invasive species problem. Past history speaks for itself.

While the whales are important to everyone, our future way of life cannot be held hostage by them.

Those opposed to the Superferry feel that their rights are being violated. By the same token, those in opposition to the Superferry are violating my right to have this interisland ferry service.

Barbara Perry  
Pukalani, Maui

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**From:** jshouser@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:50 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry -- Please Keep it Here

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

I, along with my friends and family, are so disappointed in the recent decision to stop the Superferry from travelling around our state of Hawaii. I talk with many friends, clients and family each day and have only come across ONE person against it. Why is this happening???? I travel to Seattle alot and have ridden on the ferrys there and people there are shocked at the way this has evolved. It is also an embarassment on how its been handled. Please rethink this -- the state of Hawaii would definitely benefit from it. We NEED it!! Aloha, Judy Houser-Tanaka, (808)630-2127, 95-1497 Ainamakua Drive #18, Mililani

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**From:** Jim [JLong@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:50 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I support Superferry!

Hawaii needs the Superferry and we need it now - not after a lengthy EIS. I am convinced that environmental concerns have more than adequately been addressed. I am concerned that not allowing immediate operation will result in us losing this opportunity for a means of pleasant, safe, efficient travel. I urge you to support immediate return to service without restrictions that would cripple operation.

Sincerely,

Peter J. Long, Jr  
47-194 Kamehameha Hwy  
Kaneohe, HI 96744

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**testimony**

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**From:** CODE900@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:50 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** superferry

I believe it is vital to our state, both for business and for security, that the Superferry be permitted to operate as intended.

Thank you for your time.

Jeff Zuckernick  
506 Ulukou Street  
Kailua, HI 96734  
808-778-1053

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**From:** Stacy Sterenberg [stacysterenberg@mac.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:50 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry- yes

To the Senate Committee: Judiciary and Labor, transportation, Sent from my iPhone

I support superferry as a needed alternative travel option

Stacy Sterenberg  
Nuuanu Resident

**testimony**

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**From:** jennifer [jennypenny52@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:23 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

To Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs and Energy and Environment,

Hearing @ 10:30, Wednesday October 24, 2007

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to voice my support for the Hawaii Superferry. I feel like it is a great alternative to have the Superferry for travel to the other islands. Air should not be the only means of travel to the other islands. Some people can not go to the other islands, due to not being able to air travel and this would be a great opportunity for them to do so. Plus, it would cut down air pollution that is transmitted by all the airplanes in the sky. Hence yet another environmental factor we have to deal with, which is way more important than that of a boat.

Thank You,  
Jennifer Hicks

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## testimony

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**From:** Dennis Natividad [dlnatividad@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:49 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

Dear House and Senate,

This is the biggest thing we are facing as a State today. I really think that we need to have the Super ferry because it will provide us as a State an alternative way to travel between islands during peace time as well as in times of crisis. We need to be linking the Islands closer together instead of segregating them. We are a State joined under one common flag, not separate slands that have alternative ways of life. By not allowing the Super ferry to sail, it is showing the rest of the nation as well as the world that we are a State that opposes business. This is not the image we want to portrait. Please let the Super Ferry sail. Thank You.

Dennis Natividad

## testimony

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**From:** Walter Lum [lumw003@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:50 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry testimony

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and  
Energy and Environment  
**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24  
**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capital

I am in support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawaii while an environmental Impact statement is being conducted. I feel that overall benefits to the people in the State of Hawaii far outweigh any possible environmental impact which I believe could be managed and mitigated.

Walter Lum  
7012 Hawaii Kai Drive  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

**testimony**

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**From:** David Glover [gloverd006@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:50 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry - State Senate Legislative Hearing - Wednesday, October 24, 2007

**Attn: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment.**

This will serve as my continued support of the Superferry and its interisland ferry service in Hawaii while an environment impact statement is being conducted.

I would like to believe that our fine state will continue to pursue the practice of open waters to those who bring progress and prosperity to our state and its people by giving a choice for interisland travel to both residents, businesses, the military and others.

The structure presently in place was built and expanded upon is bases on the practice of fair and open competition.

Respectfully submitted,

David D. Glover  
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Honolulu, HI 96825

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**testimony**

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**From:** teresa Juarez [ttamikoj@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:43 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support for the Superferry

**To Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

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I support the Supperferry being that they bring more travel options for my family to visit the outer-islands, provide jobs to our residents, and help stimulate our economy.

Teresa Juarez

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**From:** ario mariteragi [waimaka\_mariteragi@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:48 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** KEEP THE SUPERFERY

If one would weigh the pros and cons of having a superferry the pros out weigh the cons by far. I think the Superferry with benefit all the locals. I don't understand why a huge cruise ship is able to go island to island for the tourist but the Superferry can't?? Anyway Hawaii would be crazy not to let the Superferry run. I am in total support of the Superferry!!!!

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**From:** Kevin Ching DDS [mokuluanui@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:43 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Please support the Hawaii Superferry

Aloha,

I am writing this testimony in support of the Hawaii Superferry. I would like myself and my family to be able to visit my homeland without restriction. My grandfather was born and raised on Kauai, and it hurts to see people there, consider me an alien who does not deserve to visit the land of my ancestors. I don't believe these protesters speak for the people of Hawaii, we have aloha for each other, not animosity. I ask that you allow the Superferry to carry kamaaina to the neighbor islands without restrictions. Please side with aloha, not with those that hate and then hide behind the whales to prevent us from traveling to and from our aina.

Aloha,  
Kevin K.L. Ching  
411 Hobron Ln #914  
Honolulu, HI 96814

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**From:** jonas kirby [hurricanepowerwash@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:42 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Pro superferry great help for buisness outer island

Attention: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment.

I own a company here on Oahu and the Superferry would be a great and necessary addition and tool to help extend my services outer island. I feel like people are just jumping on the band wagon in disapproval and focusing on the negative instead of the positive aspects of this service. Everyone I talk to here on Oahu is for it (superferry) as well as many freinds on the mainland who frequent the island chains with their families. I really think it would be a great service and have always wondered why it hadn't already been done. Wish you guys the best of luck in getting it approved and started.

Jonas Kirby  
Hurricane Powerwash LLC. Oahu 808 358 8895

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## testimony

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**From:** Mary A Rubin [konatutu@earthlink.net]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:41 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** superferry

I just wanted to lend my support for the superferry in Hawaii. This is a wonderful opportunity for my mother to travel who has great difficulty flying. Mahalo, Mary Alice Rubin Kailua Kona, Hi.

**testimony**

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**From:** tina conrad [tinaconrad@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:22 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

I support the Superferry. I think it will be beneficial in joining families and expanding businesses. I don't think it will have anymore of an impact than the cruise ships do.

*Tina Conrad* 

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**From:** Brian Awakuni [bawakuni@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:46 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super Ferry

My name is Brian Awakuni and I am the executive director of Masonry Institute of Hawaii (MIH) the promotional and technical resource arm of the Mason Contractors Association of Hawaii (MCAH). I represent the contractors, manufacturers and suppliers of masonry products in Hawaii.

I truly believe that the Super Ferry should be established in Hawaii to us, the businesses as well as individual families an alternative to flying between Islands. For the businesses, it will make it easier and sometimes more economical to move men and small equipment between islands. For those of us who have families, it gives us the opportunity to take our own vehicle to visit our ohana.

Change sometimes is difficult because we don't see the benefits but when we look back at major projects, most of us realize how worse it might have been if we didn't increase the length of the airport runway on Maui, or put more stoplights on Kauai or expand the tourist destination spots in Kona, and Maui. Most of us would not see us as being better off than our parents and grandparents. Only the few who transplanted themselves from the economic bustle of major metropolis now want to keep Hawaii the same for the next 50 years.

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**From:** tracy lewis [tracyinhilo@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:21 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** superferry support

This letter is addressed to those who hold the power to determine our economic fate. Please do not hold us back based on a loud, rude, screaming group of CAVE people. (citizens against virtually everything) think about your obligation to the majority of those of us who want this to move forward. when are you going to start requiring Young Brothers to inspect their vehicles. I could go on and on. Where is your display of the fairness doctrine. Do not let a vocal bunch of (sorry can't use the words here) drag down our state and its reputation. Do the right thing for the majority of us. Let the Superferry operate while the study is being done. Stand up for what you know is right. Thank you, Tracy Lewis

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**From:** Maelynn L Puchalski [maelynn@hawaii.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:48 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry Testimonial

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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I am in support of the Superferry because it is another option of transportation to the neighbor islands.

mahalo,  
maelynn puchalski

**testimony**

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**From:** Pamela Lake [evanrhys@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:48 PM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** Super Ferry

I fully support allowing the SuperFerry to re commence service while an environmental study is conducted. The citizens of Hawaii have voiced our desires to have the ferry service. We need and deserve the choices. Super Ferry followed the letter of the law and it is no fault of theirs that this political debacle is taking place. You are in your elected roles because we trust you to make the correct choices for the people. I hope you do so now as you recall how many of your supporters are passionate about keeping the SuperFerry in Hawaii.

Pam Lake



**testimony**

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**From:** Stacy Sterenberg [stacysterenberg@mac.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:45 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

I support the superferry because I appreciate having this option of travel.

Sincerely,  
Stacy L. Sterenberg

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**From:** Gary Komers [garyjack56@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:44 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** hawaii super ferry

The real question should be why not have a super ferry. It would be a shame to lose this means of transportation due to a few residents that do not approve of this type of movement or transportation. It would be a great asset to have a choice of transport other than air travel.

Save the super ferry.

Regards , Gary Komers

Kauai Aloha

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**From:** RICHHCINHNL@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:47 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** interisland ferry service in Hawai'i

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

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I support the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

Deborah Mueller

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**From:** JASON KING [jasonking@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:47 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support for Hawaii Superferry

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

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The Hawaii Superferry will benefit all communities the ferry touches. Yes, I understand the pro's and con's, however the benefits outweigh negatives. As long as there are no negative environmental affects, I am in full support of the Superferry.

Jason King  
Honolulu, HI

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**From:** Alicia Greenwald [ladyahg@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:45 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Please Vote to Keep it Afloat,

We need the Superferry.

I have just returned from Tahiti, their islands have a wonderful, affordable, quick ferry system. Hawaii should to.

Soon, Go! may be just a memory, then Aloha & Hawaiian will up the prices of their interisland fares.

We need over water alternatives to interisland affordable travel, the Superferry is our answer.

Please vote to keep the Superferry Afloat in Hawaiian waters.

Alicia Greenwald

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**From:** kookbro@hawaiiantel.net  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:45 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** superferry

We need the superferry to give locals and tourists alike to see the islands in a different way. This would probably drive the cost of groceries down on the neighbor islands as grocery distributors would use the ferry to transport goods thus saving on shipping charges. Why are all these big companies afraid of a little competition. Young bros, Airlines, Cargo services. thanks Armand

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**From:** Gaugee@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:45 PM  
**To:** testimony; hawaiiisuperferry@hawaiiisuperfe.pauspam.net  
**Subject:** (no subject)

**I am in support of the Ferry.**

**Did Young Brothers do an Environmental Impact Statement, Aloha,  
Hawaiian Airlines?**

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**From:** lawson r kendall [lkendall4@juno.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:27 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** HAWAII SUPERFERRY

I SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT THIS MEDIUM FOR CONNECTING THE ISLANDS IS WHAT WILL MAKE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BECOMING A SUPER ECONOMIC FORCE IN THE PACIFIC RIM REGION OR JUST BEING A DESTINATION FOR WONDERLUST TRAVELERS.

FOR OUR CONTINUED GROWTH - DEVELOPEMENT OF OUR ECONOMY, WE MUST MAKE ALL OF HAWAII ONE CONTIGUOUS STATE. ONE CONTIGUOUS STATE WILL FACILITATE THE UNIFICATION OF ECONOMIC, INTELLECTUAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES.

THE SUPER FERRY IS THE BEGINNING OF THE THE NEXT STEP INTO TO THE FUTURE... LET HAWII LEAD...

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**From:** RMPRWPHNL@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:46 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** interisland ferry service in Hawai'i

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

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I support the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

Rose Marie Pritts

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**From:** Dean Papagno [dcauto1@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:46 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super Ferry Testimony

To the state of Hawaii Senate committee, My name is Dean Papagno, and I am a resident of Waianae. First to start, I believe this ridiculous controversy is due to the few selfish activist residents of Kauai and Maui ( not the good people of Kauai & Maui who are the majority, and support The Supper Ferry ) who seem to feel that those islands are their personal property, not to be shared by the other state of Hawaii residents. My personal stake in this matter is that I race cars. Now that Hawaii raceway park on Oahu is closed, myself and many others have no place to go to enjoy our sport. I also believe Oahu will NOT be getting any kind of racetrack due to the fact that there is no place to build it with out being in someones backyard. The Super Ferry can provide us with an affordable way to transport our vehicles and equipment to an outer island race track for a controlled and safe enviroment. We can then enjoy our sport once again. The race track and The Supper Ferry are two of the many points that I will be strongly considering when the state senator for the Waianae area comes up for re-election. Mahalo, Dean Papagno, Waianae

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**From:** andylee\_md@msn.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:45 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry testimony

This is my testimony in support of the Hawaii Superferry.

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

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It is outrageous to not allow the Hawaii Superferry service the people of Hawaii. The hundred of thousands of Hawaii residents and businesses will suffer because of just a few so called "environmentalist", who have no credibility. There is absolutely no evidence to support these claims against the Hawaii Superferry and the demands and conditions asked by these so called "environmentalist" are as insane as their claims against the superferry. If anyone, lawmakers, senators, can not see past these outrageous assaults against the superferry, we Hawaii residents should be ashamed. This situation has become an embarrassment for the people of Hawaii.

Andy Lee  
Millilani resident

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**From:** Ron Seiple [ronseiple@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:46 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Cc:** hawaiisuperferry@hawaiisuperferry.com  
**Subject:** Hawaii Super Ferry

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I urge you to make a positive choice for the Super Ferry. I know you hear the loud voices of the anti-super ferry group. I hope you know from the poles these voices are the minority. The majority of Hawaii knows the Super Ferry has the potential to open new businesses, to expand commerce and agriculture and to help families to experience all the islands. If the Ferry operates, time will show that its biggest customers will be the people of the outer Islands. It has the potential to be the biggest foot forward for our islands since the first sea planes landed.

For those who feel it violates environmental laws should look closely at the other means of transportation. If the Super Ferry must bow to these new rules then so should the airlines, Young Brothers and cruise ships. I think we need to be careful not to disturb the balance of ecology and progress but the Super Ferry deserves an opportunity just as the cruise liners and others.

Please do the right thing and get the Super Ferry operating as soon as possible so we can all enjoy the wonderful potential it will offer.

Sincerely Yours,  
Ron Seiple

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**From:** Laurie Guard [lguard@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:46 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

I am in favor of allowing the superferry to operate, subject to specific conditions and oversight, while the EIS is being done. I think the plan, or lack thereof, that allowed the superferry to get built, get all the way here from Alabama, and then get stuck in the muck is an embarrassment to this State. Where were all these protestors when the cruise ships starting coming every day? I've always had a hunch that the Pacific Whale Foundation was just a nice name for just another money hungry tourist adventure. (If everyone really wanted to save the whales, we would restrict our watching to overhead surveillance.) There are far more outrageous abuses of the environment here in Hawaii---landfills, lack of a serious recycling effort, the ubiquitous plastic bag, unfettered building and no roads. it is almost as if the protest against the ferry has become its own life form. There are far worse dangers to the environment in Hawaii---not that that makes it automatic that the ferry should proceed without restriction---but all this energy needs to be galvanized and used to protest other far more serious issues: the issuance of building permits, the lack of enforcement against violators of public ordinances, and cleaning up the litter on our islands. Like many people I have traveled around the world and used ferries without incident. The Superferry will provide a valuable service to both the public and to civil defense, as well as provide jobs. I'm sure that one of these days there may be an incident involving whales, but I really think they will make every effort to sail safely. This has gotten way out of hand and needs to be settled now.

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**From:** Cindy Kim [kimcindy018@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:40 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support for the Hawaii Superferry

To whom it may concern,

This e-mail is my testimony in support of the Hawaii Superferry. As a lifelong resident of Hawaii, my concerns for Hawaii's economic and environmental future is of the utmost importance. Decisions regarding Hawaii's future are not simple nor are they straightforward.

From what I understand, our state government misinterpreted the law regarding the requirement to have an environmental study performed before the Hawaii Superferry could begin operations. It appears even the Hawaii Supreme Court was not totally confident in the interpretation of the law and only recently made a firm decision/ruling regarding this matter.

What everyone needs to understand is that we do not live by direct democracy, rather, we are governed by a representative democracy. As a citizen of the United States of America and as a resident of the state of Hawaii, we are given the privilege to elect our representatives and regardless of the outcome, we must trust that the decisions our appointed representatives make will be in the best interest of the people. I find it difficult to believe that the people of Hawaii would appoint representatives that would do otherwise.

It is a fact that the majority of the people of Hawaii support the operation of the Hawaii Superferry while an environmental study is being performed. The economic advantages that Hawaii will benefit are enormous and the number of residents that will benefit are just as grand. Environmentally, the concerns that have been brought to the table should have been addressed long before the authorization of whale watching tour boats, submarine tours, ships, barges, and other marine craft that enter and exit Hawaii harbors.

Whatever the decision may be for the Hawaii Superferry, I can assure you this, it will set a precedence, which the residents of Hawaii had better be prepared to accept. Rather than focusing on faults, the people of Hawaii must begin to focus on remedies.

Sincerely,

Cindy Kim

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**From:** RECUNLIMIT@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:47 PM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

Aloha! PLEASE LET THE SUPREFERRY OPERATE!! I find the oppositions' lame excuses of environmental concerns disgusting and ridiculous. These ferrys use a jet drive system that would never injure whales. In fact, the only injury to whales that I am aware of to date was caused by one of these enviroterrorist groups' prop driven boats that maimed a mother and baby whale here several years ago. There doesn't seem to be any insane requirement for barges, luxury liners, Matson or other shipping companies vessels to vacuum all shipped cars, not exceed 15 knots in less than 100 fathoms, etc., etc., etc. If you really want to look extremely stupid, then just give in to these incredibly ignorant and tiny minority groups' insane demands against the will of the vast majority of us on ALL ISLANDS who will remember you next election!. Get off your butts and do the right thing for us hard working, tax paying majority members who WANT THIS SERVICE! We will be watching, and we will remember your decisions in this matter. Mahalo, Harry Hoots, Waianae.

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**From:** littleal1158@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:46 PM  
**To:** testimony; All Reps; All Senators  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry should be allowed to sail

Dear Sir/Ma'am,

The Hawaii Superferry is a critical movement in today's news. Why must we be tormented with others selfish decisions. What did the Superferry have to do to deserve this? When the idea came up a while back, everyone was all for it. But, now it sits, wasting time and money. The frikin protestors and their own selfish desires made over 200 people lose their job. How would they like it if they were to lose their jobs because other people didn't like what their companies were doing to the environment? The Hawaii Superferry is totally safe. I heard recently and I quote from Michael W. Perry on KSSK, "The Hawaii Super Ferry hasn't hit any whales yet, and the group that tries to protect the Humpback whales already hit two, or more with their propeller."

I am 15 years old. I sail, so I am around the water. It would be nice once in a while if I could pack my boat and take it to a neighbor island to sail around. Even Canoe paddlers would benefit from the Superferry. They have a bunch of canoe races, as well as sailboat races, from other islands that finish on Oahu. It seems kinda inconvenient to have to ship your boats which could take a couple a days just to get from one island to another. The Hawaii Superferry already has its rules and limitations that were submitted to the state. They use water jets instead of propellers. They do inspections of items that go on searching for hitchhiking species. They don't even run at top speed. Heck, Matson and Horizon Lines cargo ships go as fast as the Hawaii Superferry can run, because of the seas. They even have a schedule where they alter their course during certain seasons to avoid potential whale migrating/breeding areas. They are totally safe. Also, I haven't been hearing any protestors protesting **TheBoat**. They run at just like the Superferry, except smaller of course. Or even fishing boats, they don't protest the fishing boats, yet, they stuff their mouths with all kinds of fish.

If the protestors don't want it, fine, just don't let them on. It doesn't concern them anyway. I was watching the news recently and saw a recap of past Hawaii Superferry voyages and saw that not only were the protestors on private property, they were vandalizing personal cars. Blocking the channels of the harbors, making the Coast Guard an essential part for the running of the superferry is a crime. They shouldn't have to baby sit the protestors. They can do whatever they want, just tell them to go protest **vegetable growers or farmers**, they grow plants, then sell them. Basic enough, but when you think about it, you are eating the earth. They are doing harm.

Please let the Hawaii Superferry sail. The islands really need it. Without it, Hawaii will be known as the chicken shits that cared too much. The so called Aloha spirit is slowly dieing out, and no one is helping it.

Sincerely,

Allen Sterling  
Waipi'o Gentry, Oahu Resident

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**From:** Dan & Marion Fumento [dmfumento@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:13 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

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Aloha. I wanted to offer testimony on the Superferry. My wife and I have had a home in Hawaii for many years and now live here full time. The state of Hawaii is our home, not just the island we live on. The Superferry brings the whole state together, just as a highway would. To block the Superferry is like blocking road construction, because we don't want people to move around. The objections raised to the Superferry are the same objections that could be applied to any boat in the water. It's a smoke screen for those who don't want progress and we all know that. The majority of residents want the Superferry. It is your job as legislators to enact the will of the people. I urge you to do so and remove barriers to the Superferry's progress and even facilitate that progress. It's what the citizens of Hawaii want and that is what you were elected to do.

Thank You,  
Dan Fumento  
68-1025 N. Kaniku Dr. #514  
Kamuela, HI 96743

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**testimony**

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*Yes*

**From:** Sina Pruder [slsteffany@pruderandassociates.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:59 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Cc:** cpruder@pruderandassociates.com  
**Subject:** Support Bill to Allow the Super Ferry to operate

Aloha,

This is my testimony and I support the bill to allow the Super Ferry to operate in Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. Being familiar with the environmental planning process, I personally do not believe that the construction of the Kahului Harbor would have an adverse effect on the environment. If an Environmental Assessment was conducted for this project, I believe a Findings of No Significant Findings would have been issued for this project. The people opposing the operation of the Super Ferry are environmentalist who are addressing the impacts that the ferry will have in operation. They are NOT addressing the issue at hand. They will do anything to block the Super Ferry from operating, and this is wrong.

As a resident of Oahu, I don't think we'll benefit from the operation of the Super Ferry as much as the neighbor island residents. The ferry allows for faster transit of produce to local markets at a more economical rate which translates to savings to all residents, especially the neighbor island residents. The ferry also provides another source of transportation of equipment and supplies to support the islands in the event of a natural disaster. Again, it will be the residents of Maui and Kauai that will need the Super Ferry more than residents of Oahu. We can't allow the small population of vocal people to stop an operation that will obviously benefit the majority of the population of the islands. It just doesn't make any sense.

Sincerely,  
Sina Pruder

Yes

**testimony**

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**From:** PAUL KARESSE YOUNG [youngyeung8@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:00 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY

Dear members of the Senate Committee:

I am in full support of the HAWAII SUPERFERRY. Having been on an experience travelling to Victoria Island from Vancouver via their ferry. That mere few hours of travelling gave me time to relax and to enjoy the splendid view. Hawaii here has much better scenery than that at Canada, the Superferry can draw more visitor and more local residence as well as business executive to use the service for in between relaxation due to their admiration of our beautiful Hawaiian islands coastlines. For the good of Hawaii, Please pass the HAWAII SUPERFERRY.

Regards,  
Paul Young

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**From:** Halyna [halyna@isp01.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:52 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** re; superferry

The following testimony is for the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and Committee on Energy and Environment.

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October 23, 2007, 3pm, Kealakehe High School, Kailua-Kona.

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Hawaii State Legislature:

Although the Superferry seems like a good idea too many issues have not been addressed. The additional impact of more vehicles on local roads would degenerate an infrastructure which is already seriously strained. Do island residents have to pay for road maintenance in spite of other islands residents degenerating our roads?

With so many uninsured drivers, driving these roads already, would there be any regulation on only transporting valid insured vehicles?

Tax-payers are regularly asked to volunteer to pick-up roadside litter: now there is going to be much more litter, much less volunteers.

With druggies always looking for an easier way to disseminate their merchandise wouldn't this be the opening of the flood gates? How many kilos can be stuffed in a vehicle rocker panel?

An environmental impact assessment which should have been done before this ferry was even built is actually the least of the issues here, only the most obvious one. Perhaps a social impact assessment would better serve as the superferry would permanently change life in the islands.

Thank you for your time,  
Halyna Kuheana  
P.O. Box 968  
Kurtistown, HI 96760  
808 968-8700

**testimony**

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*Yes*

**From:** Stephen L. Miller [stephenmiller808@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:07 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry testimony

I think another mode of transportation to the outer island is long overdue. As a construction project coordinator being able to move tools and supplies easily would be beneficial to the people we serve on the outer islands. It would also open up Oahu to outer island contractors to bid on projects on Oahu without the high startup costs.

I am definitely in favor of the Superferry.

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Steve Miller  
87Zero Industries  
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Cel: 808-778-3772

Yes

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**From:** david rockwood [davidrckwd@yahoo.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:40 AM

**To:** testimony

we need the ferry...i believe the people who are mostly against it are people who work in the rental car agency and the airlines.

David Rockwood

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**From:** Irene Asing [irene.asing@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:11 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support for Bill

We fully support the bill that will permit the Hawaii Superferry to conduct interisland ferry service in Hawaii while the environmental impact statement is being considered.

We were aboard that fateful Inaugural sail to Kauai and experienced a wonderful, relaxing journey along with 375 other kamaaina. It was wonderful to view Kauai from a very different vantage point, while seated in comfortable seating with tv available, snacks and even a children's play room.

We were however, shocked at the reception of our Kauai resident neighbors who were in the water, and on canoes. Why were we being stopped from docking, all the while the NCL Cruise Line "Pride of Hawaii" sat docked with over 2,000 passengers allowed to enjoy Kauai and its activities?

For almost 5 hours, to release the mounting tension of a "hostage" type situation, we played music and sang all the Kauai songs, Hanalei Moon, Hele on to Kauai, Beautiful Kauai, etc.

Since we are kupuna (in our 70's) with back, knee and other problems, it was great to just sit in our car while inspectors checked our car and trunk, to drive on to the ferry and not have to hassle with heavy bags or to wait an hour for 'ohana to pick us up. We even packed our own bedding and tutu's favorite portuguese bean soup and bread pudding--only to unpack in from the cooler 8 hours later.

We pray this option for interisland travel will make our choice of interisland travel a reality. I lived on Kauai for almost 20 years and plan to return as a seasonal tax preparer in January and hope to use the Superferry.

Mahalo piha,

Irene Asing and Kenneth C Ross Jr.

10/23/2007

Yes

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**From:** Cynthia Urushiyama [CynthiaU@stchawaii.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:08 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

Dear Sirs,

I am in support of the Superferry. Having this service will not only provide employment for many of our Hawaii residents, but also will allow us to have the option of taking the ferry or to fly to the neighbor islands.

Cynthia Urushiyama

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*Yes*

**From:** Alim Shabazz [alimshabazz@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:01 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Super ferry Testimony

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to support the Super Ferry. No other inter-island carrier has been subject to these EA (i.e., Matson, YB, etc.) therefore neither should the Super Ferry. This situation has become a blemish on Hawaii's reputation to do business with the rest of the world. May I remind you that this is 2007!

**Aloha,**

**Alim Shabazz**

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**From:** Debi [rebiroo@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:10 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I support interisland ferry service in Hawai'i  
**Importance:** High

I am in support of the Hawai'i interisland ferry, I cannot see a detrimental environmental impact (San Juan island ferry example) but I can see this as a boost to Hawai'i economy and employment.

Mahalo,  
Allan C. Carlson  
Hawai'i resident  
Kaneohe, HI

*Yes*

**testimony**

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**From:** M. Ashraf [ashmdr@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:06 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support Hawaii Superferry

Aloha!

I have an immediate family reason to support the start of Hawaii Superferry service while EIS is being undertaken. My father-in-law who grew up on the outer island and his friends and family is spread across the state, is phobic to fly. Additionally, now at age 90 with other medical problems finds that only ferry could make his travel possible before he is completely disabled or dies.

Mohammad Ashraf, Ph.D.  
2153 Auhuhu, Pearl City, HI 96782

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**From:** JIMEEDEE@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:09 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** support for Hawaii Superferry

I would like to give testimony for support of the Hawaii Superferry simply because it will be good for the economy of Hawaii and produce jobs and a tax base.  
James Deinzer

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*Yes*

**From:** Laura Henderson [lalajuls@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:06 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Supperyferry

I have been employed by the Dept. of Public Safety for 25 years I am an ACO IV. I would like it known I am 100% for the Ferry. Myself and my Family would love to be able to afford to travel to the outer islands with our vehicles. It' cost effective and the ride would be beautiful. I am positive our Governer wouldn't do anything to intentional hurt our waters or our Aina. Laura L. Henderson 808 896-9707 ( Big Island )

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**From:** H.K. Pang [pangus01@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:03 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Cc:** Hawaii Superferry  
**Subject:** Mauian testimony of the Superferry

Originally I favored having the Superferry, which would offer choices of means of traveling for the people of Hawaii. However in the short span of time that the Superferry have been a part of our lives, it has been disruptive with a sheer arrogance. All one has to do is sit on Puunene Avenue in Kahului jostling with the traffic to get in the left lane that will do a left into Kaahumanu Avenue and note that the right lane sits vacant dedicated to the Superferry. This alone is a broad statement of corporate arrogance and State Administration dictatorial attitude and a slap on the face of the Maui people as to say "we will do as we wish and you will bear with us". Puunene and Kaahumanu Avenue is the busiest location during peak traffic and yet we are denied a much need lane that sits idle to a user who has yet pay into our tax coffer. If they have no regards for us at this level what assurance do we have that they will even heed our concerns for our Eco and Social systems of Maui?

WE DO NOT NEED A NEIGHBOR LIKE THE SUPERFERRY, unless they can demonstrate some consideration for us here.

SORRY SUPERFERRY, if you can prove that you will be a good neighbor than fix that damn road that;s screwing our traffic up on Puunene Avenue.

Helen Robello

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**From:** Peter J Park [peter@mortgage808.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:08 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I support the SuperFerry

I support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.



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**From:** Spydawg [Spydawg@Hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:08 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry Hearing

**State Senate Legislation Hearing ~**

Please, Please, Please permit inter-island ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. All of us on each Hawaiian island could benefit from the use of an inter-island ferry while still protecting the environment and marine life. Please.

Thank you.  
Cheryl White  
Kailua-Kona, HI 96740



*Yes*

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**From:** Linda Kano [kanol001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:57 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** super ferry

I am in support of the super ferry. thank you. linda kano, honolulu, hi.

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**testimony**

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Yes

**From:** Christina [calconcel@excite.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:02 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to you to SAVE the Hawaii Superferry... I think that it is an awesome thing to come to the Islands and don't want to lose it.. I am a born an raised Hawaii Resident and would like to see the Hawaii Superferry here!

Sincerely,

Christina Alconcel

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**From:** Jack Reynolds [JackReynoldsHNL@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:07 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I'm in favor of the Superferry

Please do not let a small group of highly vocal opponents sway your vote. The Superferry will increase our access to neighbor islands while providing an option to Matson, Young Brothers and the airlines. Please vote FOR the Superferry.

Jack Reynolds  
683 Kaumakani St.  
Honolulu, HI 96825

*Yes*

**testimony**

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**From:** Robert E. Smith [rsmith291@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:07 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

**Attn:**  
Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

We own two homes in Honolulu and live in Oregon as well. We are shocked and embarrassed by the comments from the activists in Hawaii. Their rationale is so transparent, and clearly that of the environmentalists attempt to block a wonderful asset for the State of Hawaii. Their logic is without logic. One has to consider all of the shipping traffic moving throughout the Islands. How can they explain away the same charges that the Superferry is being saddled with---endangering whales, bringing unwanted species from one Island to another etc. etc.

Please do not let this very loud minority take away a wonderful opportunity for locals and tourists to enjoy the beauty Hawaii has to offer.

Allow the Superferry to operate while the environmental impact is studied!!!! If not, stop all the shipping of freight, pleasure and fishing boats cruising in the Hawaiian Islands. Using their rationale, the aforementioned has a much greater impact than the Superferry.

Robert E. Smith  
1350 Ala Moana Blvd.  
Honolulu, HI

**Bob**

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**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** super ferry

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*Yes*

**From:** Lori Medina [lori.medina@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:08 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

**TO: SENATE COMMITTEES: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, Energy and Environment HEARING DATES: Wednesday October 24 10:30 am. Auditorium State Capitol**

I am in support of the bill to allow the Hawaii Superferry to operate during the time it takes to perform an Environmental Impact Statement and am in support of the draft bill as published on the State Capitol website in it's current form.

This superferry is an important option for the people of Hawaii to travel inte-risland in an economical and timely manner as is needed in this fast paced business environment we face in Hawaii. With inter-island air transportation mired in litigation - where Hawaiian Airlines has promised to raise air fares inter-island if they can get rid of go! Airlines in Judge Ferris's courtroom we must have another option to keep air fares competitive.

We must have another way to bring the people of Hawaii together - and while loud opponents of this new service are very rude in public meetings many of our neighbors on the outer-islands are super nice and we need a cost effective way to bring the people of this state together.

While Young Brothers will ship your car or truck to another island for work it is difficult and expensive as tools must be locked up and bolted down for the barge ride and the drive on and off by Stevedores.

Please vote to allow us this option of travel. We need it and want it as shown in both scientific and non-scientific polls taken over the last few months. We cannot allow policy in this state to be driven by a few loud and obnoxious lawyers who would like to kill this project any way they can.

Thank You,

Lori Medina  
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and Container Storage Co. of HI Ltd.  
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**From:** Thom Sheets [Thom.Sheets@swgas.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:44 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** HAWAII SUPERFERRY

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

Thank you for allowing the opportunity to submit written testimony regarding legislation which would permit operation of the Hawaii Superferry while environmental issues are addressed. My wife and I own two properties on the Big Island. We urge the Hawaii State Legislature to identify a solution that would enable Hawaii Superferry to continue operation while an environmental assessment is being conducted. Frankly we are perplexed that, after the Superferry commenced operation and after tens of millions of dollars in state and private funds have been expended, questions about environmental compatibility are still at issue.

The nature and motivation of the Hawaii state courts' recent actions effectively rendering the Superferry dead in the water are questionable at best considering the seemingly disparate requirements imposed on other inter-island transporters. The 11th hour timing of these decisions makes them even more suspect given that years have passed by since the announcement of the development of the Superferry. These decisions do little to counter the notion that Hawaii is a provincial place when it comes to doing business.

The people of Hawaii, including those of us who consider Hawaii our second home, want inter-island transportation choices. Hawaii Superferry is a transportation alternative which will bring benefits to full and part time residents and to the businesses of Hawaii. Please don't let this alternative be cast away.

The questionable timing of the decisions affecting the Superferry service shouldn't be allowed to now deprive the islands of this valuable transportation alternative. At the very least the legislature should promptly act to allow the Superferry to operate while the issues are sorted out. Conditional operation would allow a living, real time laboratory for evaluating the alleged detrimental

environmental impacts as well as preserving the Superferry option. Inaction by the legislature or anything less than some sort of conditional operating status will likely result in a permanent loss of this transportation alternative for Hawaii.

Mahalo,

Thom and Sandy Sheets (702) 876-7337

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**From:** Linda Mensching [LindaM@cbpacific.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:09 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I support the super ferry

My family and I are in total support of the super ferry. I was born and raised here and truly believe it would be a great asset to all islands. I used sea flight when it was available and was sad when it went. I have traveled the world and have used many ferry systems to get to different places and its a great experience and I was so thrilled to hear we were finally getting our own ferry. I am so sad that this has become such a issue. Every one I know and speak to want the super ferry. Let it be known I am a supporter of the super ferry.

Aloha,

Linda Mensching



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**From:** James Slocum [jamesdslocum@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:02 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** In Support of the Supperferry

October 23, 2007

Dear Sirs:

I would like to take this time to to give testimony and support to the Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and Affairs, and Energy and Enviroment, A hearing date scheduled Wednesday, October 24, 2007 @ 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol.

Please address my concern and wishes to allow the Supperferry to do businss as contracted with the State of Hawaii. I am a resident/tax payer in support of permitting the Superferry to do businss while the E.I.S. conducts their study.

Please do not let a few speak for the many who are in favor of the Supperferry. I look forward to welcoming my brothers/sisters from the Islands of Hawaii.

Sincerely, James D. Slocum R.N.  
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Kapaa, Hawaii 96746  
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**From:** len winkler [len@tabletennisandmore.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:01 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

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I FULLY support the Superferry. It will be a great way to get from island to island using my own vehicle. It will give some competition to other ways to ship things between islands and lower prices in addition to keeping airfare prices low, in order to compete.  
Thank you,

**Len Winkler**  
**Hawi, Hawaii 96719**

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**From:** thomas pattison [tgpatison@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:02 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Ferry Support

I support the Hawaii Superferry. It will give the residents a great way of visiting the other islands and open up commerce between the islands.

Thanks,  
Thomas G. Pattison

Yes

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**From:** Perle Ho [perleho@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:07 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** SUPER FERRY

I haven't had the opportunity to ride the Super Ferry but would have loved to have taken my family for the experience. The price of airfare and car rental have increased and with two small children, the Super Ferry would have afforded our family a chance to visit family on the neighbor islands; a unique experience for the kids and the ability to take our van with us.

Please consider all of Hawaii and not just the minority.

Aloha,  
Perle

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**From:** mkabdine@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:09 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** superferry

To Whom it maybe of concerns,

I believe that shutting down the super ferry is a wrong move, they have brought to awaiiH something exciting and beautiful, all over the world there are ferries and make going in between places very economical and fun to travel.

Please let the super ferry stay, it makes Hawaii more beautiful.

Thank you,

Mohamad Abdine

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From: owensn001@hawaii.rr.com  
Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:03 AM  
To: testimony  
Subject: Hawaii SuperFerry

Please tender my sincere support for the SuperFerry project and all that it entails.

Like others, I simply cannot wait until we have the opportunity to travel to the other islands via a new mode. Although I am disappointed in the fact that we are not already able to utilize the SuperFerry service, I am definitely counting the days until it is available to operate.

While understanding that some people will always be against any type of change, I must emphasize our needed, and majority desired, progress in this service. The time for remaining bogged down in this mess has clearly passed and is doing none of us any good. Just look at the time, effort, and money the current delays and arguments are costing ALL OF US. We need to get the SuperFerry Service up and start refilling our coffers instead of leaving them draining. I for one am sure that this money being wasted can be better used to serve all of Hawaii's Citizens for road repair, education, upgrade of infrastructures, etcetera.

Please get on board, get this fixed with the service in full operation, OR I/WE WILL GET OUR POLITICAL REPRESENTATIVES FIXED DURING NEXT ELECTIONS. We are tired and frustrated now!

Anxiously,

....//David N. Owens  
Waipahu, Hawaii



**testimony**

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**From:** Donna Marzoeki [donnamarzoeki@dolphingalleries.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:12 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super Ferry Testimony

Yes

Attn: Senate Committee; Judiciary & Labor Transportation; International Affairs;  
and Energy Environment

It is very disappointing, that the matter of the Super Ferry has come to this. With all the cruise lines going through our state, I don't know why there is such a big issue with the environment. All knew it was being built for Hawaii and why now they want to assess an environmental study. I feel it should have been done while the Super Ferry was being built! Well, the Ferry is Here!! What to do??? I am in favor of the Super Ferry. I feel the Ferry should run its course while the environmental study is being conducted. It is also whale season. I cannot believe that a whale would not know that a boat is on the water.....how did they survive this far.....hence when they migrate from Alaska to Hawaii?? Have those vessels, in which the whales must go through, have an environment study done from Alaska to Hawaii? The various ships they must encounter while migrating? What better time to test the Ferry but during whale season! I wish I could communicate to the whales to find out how they feel about this?

Aloha;

Donna Marzoeki  
October 23, 2007  
Time: 8:12am

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Yes

**From:** Don Perry [DonP@leisinc.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:00 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** super ferry  
**Importance:** High

Gentlemen,

It is time for Hawaii to move forward in time and allow the ferry to operate during EIS, Let the business stand on its own merits, People that want it will either make it or break it!, Government has no business in regulating success or failure of a Private venture. I am hoping that sane legislative minds return a favorable interpretation Of this convoluted law.

I am sure , the counties and the STATE have already figured that this business is a cash cow.. future surcharges(taxes) for vehicles and material traveling to and fro between the counties, that alone should add millions in the state coffers, the counties would share in this TAX monster. or is the problem, MAYBE KAUAI COUNTY IS NOT GETTING THEIR FAIR CUT ? HOW ABOUT IT MAUI ?

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Hey Senate DO WHAT YOU GUYS AND GALS DO BEST.. let it go ! and the TAX THE HELL OUT IT, like all other things you get fingers in !!!! Don't miss the opportunity to get your cut !!!!!

Remember, it is easier to maintain the status quo, But courage, is what is needed here! Do the right thing! And allow this venture to proceed. We need the TAX money !!!

Thank You

Mr. Don M. Perry  
Kaneohe, Hawaii

10/23/2007

Yes

**testimony**

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**From:** tam [tck@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:12 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Let It Sail

Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment,

We must have more forms of travel between the islands. I no longer want the airlines to control our future. Not only that, this is an ideal way for small business operators to expand and be financially able to work between islands. Why have other boats been able to sail during environmental studies, yet the super ferry can not? I think that it's time to start living in the future, and have the ability to make our own choices. Although I get sea sick and would probably never use the Super ferry, I do have family members who are small business operators and are excited about the possibilities. Please Kokua!!

Sincerely,  
Holly Tam

10/23/2007  
8:11 A.M.

*Yes*

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**From:** Tom Noble [tom@aritapoulson.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:04 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super Ferry

I believe that the Super Ferry will have a very positive impact for the economy for all island connected by the Super Ferry while also helping families keep close that are located on different islands. .  
Maui wants & needs the Super Ferry.

*Thomas H. Noble*  
Project Manager  
Arita-Poulson General Contracting  
Phone 808-871-4787 Fax 808-871-6756  
Cell 808-870-0290 email tom@aritapoulson.com

Yes

**testimony**

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**From:** Richard Toledo [r.toledo.jr@gmail.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:12 AM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** Superferry

I would like to submit my support for the Hawaii Superferry. I believe Hawaii residents need more travel options and the Superferry offers another option. We have no interstate highways and the Superferry would provide another mode of transportation so badly needed.

Richard Toledo, Jr.

Hilo

Yes

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**From:** Jonine [jonine@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:04 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

The state needs the superferry now. Let it operate while doing an EIS.

The Paynes  
46-320 Haiku Road  
Unit 91  
Kaneohe, HI 96744

**testimony**

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Richard Toledo, Jr.

Hilo

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**From:** Leina'ala\_Vedder/PAIA/HIDOE@notes.k12.hi.us  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:12 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry testimony  
**Attachments:** superferry testimony.doc

Informational Briefing on Monday, October 22, 2007, 3:pm at Baldwin High School, Maui

Addressed to:

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The Twenty-Fourth Legislature

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Committee on Transportation and International Affairs  
Senator J. Kalani English, Chair  
Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

Committee on Energy and Environmenta  
Senator Ron Menor, Chair  
Senator Gary Hoose, Vice Chair



yes

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**From:** Geraldo Gapol [ggjerry@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:04 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super Ferry

To our Hawaii Legislature,

I'm for the ferry. It's one of the best thing that happen for Hawaii. We can visit conveniently to other islands. Don't get intimidated by a misguided few. I see no difference with this ferry and other type of inter island service plying the waters around Hawaii. If you single out the Ferry than you have to penalize other modes of sea vessels too! Make you decision for the majority of the people of Hawaii, you who do this for Hawaii will be respected by the people for decades to come. A local boy.

Geraldo Gapol  
Pearl City, Hawaii

Yes

**testimony**

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**From:** Julie Vogel [julieavogel@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:10 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I want the SuperFerry!

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

We need the Superferry for this largely commuting industry of people. We need an alternative mode of transportation for those that can't fly and for those that have large families and would like to take our cars and beach stuff to enjoy the other islands.

I'm in support to keep SUPERFERRY

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**From:** Nicolas, Bernice B CIV CNRH, N8 [bernice.nicolas@navy.mil]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:05 AM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** I'm in support to keep SUPERFERRY

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10/23/2007

*Yes*

**testimony**

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**From:** Sylvia Pai [sylviap@nogins.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:08 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Supper ferry

With all the different ocean vehicles on our waterways moving among the Islands it seems puzzling that there is so much controversy with the supper ferry.

There are cruise lines, barges, Matson, Young Brothers ocean vehicles and other ferrys that are on the water ways each day.

For all the reasons the people are against the ferry then no ocean vehicles should be allowed. Wouldn't that take the cake.

**ALL THOSE THAT ARE AGAINST THE FERRY SHOULD SHOULD THE ENTIRE BILL THE STATE WILL HAVE TO PAY OUT WHEN THE TIME COMES.**

**PEOPLE OF OAHU SHOULD NOT HAVE TO PAY 1 PENNY TO THAT BILL.**

***Sylvia Pai***

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**testimony**

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Yes

**From:** Russell Houlton [russell.houlton@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:11 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii SuperFerry Testimony

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

I wish to testify in FAVOR of the Hawaii SuperFerry.

It is past due for Hawaii to get better transportation alternatives between counties. In most of the United States, traveling between counties is no harder then traveling between Makiki and Manoa. Somehow they have managed to get along without border checkpoints. Excessive conditions of HSF travel could be seen as a violation of the Freedom of movement.

Any conditions placed on HSF must be matched by similar conditions placed on other forms of travel such as barge or air travel. Airlines carry far more passengers and barges have been carrying cars and construction equipment for decades. Any restrictions placed must be scientifically sound and not simply placed there to satisfy self-appointed "environmentalists" or isolationists.

Thank you.

**testimony**

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*Yes*

**From:** Millie Mosher [milliemosher@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:11 AM  
**To:** testimony

We need another choice in interisland transportation. The minority can not lead our state...They can be listened to. These objections, if followed, should be applied to all inter island movement, sailboat, barge, cruise ships, etc...Please allow Super Ferry to continue. Mildred C. Mosher P.O. Box 628 Volcano, Hawaii 96785

yes

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**From:** Eduardo Moreno [eddiem98@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:05 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Allow The Super Ferry

Legislature Members

Please allow the operation of the super ferry, it is the right thing to do. this will allow we the people of Hawaii to move freely between our islands.

Please let us be able to see our families in the Kauia, Maui and the big island.

Regards

Eduardo Moreno

Yes

**testimony**

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**From:** LINDA GROESBECK [lgroesbeck@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:11 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support for Superferry

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

I support Hawaii Superferry. Hawaii Superferry should be able to provide interisland ferry service in Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. Jobs, revenue and aloha are being drowned by dissenters not willing to allow an alternative business to exist in Hawaii.

Linda Groesbeck  
Ewa Beach, HI



testimony

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Yes

**From:** Seldmscene@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:11 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Allow the ship to sail

Please Please Please allow the Superferry to sail. We live in modern times now and all these arguments against it could be made for the cargo ships the airlines and EVEN the thousands of visitors we have each day here. We NEED a new and alternate mode of transportation here. If the Airlines were interrupted during an emergency or AN EARTHQUAKE we'd be stranded here. Let's catch up with life. Allow us to make our own minds up and allow us to visit our families with our cars on other islands.

sincerely,

Lawrence R. Dolan  
Kalaheo Hawaii 96741  
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**From:** fritz [fritzrichter@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:59 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** I hope we don't lose this valuable asset!!

I hope we don't lose this alternative form of travel and commerce.

What if the populace had also resisted electricity.

The people opposed to the Superferry could be considered Luddites.

Alfred D Richter  
5180 LIKINI ST  
HONOLULU, HI 96818

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**testimony**

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No

**From:** Albert Shiotsuka [ashiotsuka@konatrans.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:06 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

The superferry should not be allowed to sail while the environmental Impact Statement is being completed. Government should not circumvent the judicial process.

Yes

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**From:** Kathryn Brumme [kathryn@brumme.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:58 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** superferry testimony

Hello,

*I am a property owner on Maui and am writing to express my support for the Superferry. It is a much needed transportation resource for the Islands. It should be allowed to operate while the environmental impact study is conducted, in the interest of fairness, and in the interest of the citizens of Hawaii. There is overwhelming support among the populace for the ferry, please don't allow the minority who are agitating against the ferry to carry the day against the majority of the public.*

Sincerely,

Kathryn Brumme

testimony

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Yes

**From:** Judy Kocis [jkocis@smpent.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:15 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** SUPERFERRY

To Whom It May Concern

I am a staunch supporter of the Superferry being in hawaii and being an alternate method of traveling to the outer Islands.

*I also want to see the Superferry operating as soon as possible.*

The environmental study can be done (in which the results won't be known for 2 years) in concurrence with the Superferry running.

I am in the majority in believing in the Superferry - and in a democracy the majority wins.

Thank you

Judy Kocis

jkocis@smpent.com

*Yes*

**testimony**

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**From:** Alec Jutsum [janda@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:10 AM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** SUPER FERRY

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

MY WIFE AND I ARE VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF OF THE SUPER FERRY.  
PLEASE DO ALL POSSIBLE TO FACILITATE THIS. ALEC JUTSUM

Yes

**testimony**

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**From:** Gary Shiraki [GShiraki@bisihi.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:14 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

I strongly believe that the State should allow the Superferry temporary permit to operate while an environmental study is being done. I believe this for the following reasons.

-There are already a number of carriers and liners operating...how much of an environmental impact can there be with the addition of the superferry. Is there anything now that is definitely identified as being harmful...if not then why not grant a temporary permit.

-This temporary permit will in essence allow us to get a glimpse at an alternative means of interisland transportation of both goods and people. Unlike all other states the only real viable means of transportation currently available to us is the airlines.

-In the event of a statewide emergency this new mode of interisland transportation may be a blessing.

It seems that the bulk of the protests seems to be coming from the neighbor islands and more importantly from minority special interest( esp environmentalists) groups. If the majority seems to favor granting a temporary permit then why not do it. Isn't this a government that generally looks to accede to the wishes of the majority rather than the vocal minority. We have already invested close 40,000,000 un this project....do we let it go because the superferry might be environmentally adverse....and moreso how adverse will it be in the relatively short span of the "permit period." I think we need to exhibit more foresight here and realize that the possible long term beneficial effects of the superferry far outweigh the "short term" negative effects there might be in a temporary permit period.

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*Yes*

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**From:** MONICA BURGIN [burgincootey@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:06 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** SUPERFERRY  
**Importance:** High

ALOHA! WE WANT THE SUPERFERRY, WE WANT CHOICES/OPTIONS. THE AIRLINES OVERCHARGE/CONTROL WHEN WE CAN SEE OUR FAMILY ON OTHER ISLANDS AND HOW OFTEN. IT IS JUST NOT FAIR. WE HAVE BEEN AT THE MERCY OF AIRLINES LONG ENOUGH.....WE WANT THE SUPERFERRY. MAHALO!

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Yes

**testimony**

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**From:** Rodmann Yomes [kamaluvb@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:43 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super Ferry

I'm not affiliated in any way meaning related to any employee of the Super Ferry. My vote is "Yes" let it sail in our islands. It would be great for our State's Economy. It will create job's for our State as well. It will be an experience for the Local People of Hawaii to travel. Let the people decide wether they want to ride a plane or take a ship across the islands. Not everyone likes to fly. I have members of my Ohana who will not step on an airplane. They will a boat or ship.

The study for an enviromental impact should have been done prior to allowing Super Ferry to come to Hawaii. Not after they built 80% of the docks for it. I think we the State of Hawaii should wake up people and give this Super Ferry a try before we decide to knock it down without even trying.

Our Governor she's only human and makes mistakes too. However since she started this right to go sort of speak, than she should finish it up by allowing this Super Ferry to sail.

Aloha,  
Rodmann Yomes  
15-1390 16th Ave  
Keaau, HI 96749  
[kamaluvb@yahoo.com](mailto:kamaluvb@yahoo.com)

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Yes

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**From:** Jessica Pascua [jpascua@TGHAWAII.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:09 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** supper ferry

I fully support the supper ferry. I have 5 children and it is impossible to visit family on the other islands without paying an arm and a leg. This way, we don't have to pay outrageous airfares or rent a car.

Jessica Pascua

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**From:** Don Perry [DonP@leisinc.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:04 AM  
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Remember, it is easier to maintain the status quo, But courage, is what is needed here! Do the right thing! And allow this venture to proceed. We need the TAX money !!!

Thank You

Mr. Don M. Perry  
Kaneohe, Hawaii

10/23/2007

**testimony**

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Yes

**From:** Thelma Myers [tmyers@domussystems.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:59 AM

**To:** testimony

I support the Superferry and believe the sooner service is started, the better it will be for the people of the State of Hawai'i. Delaying its start will hurt the public financially and should not be allowed.

The ferry will be good for commerce, commerce benefits the economy and a better economy benefits everyone.

I plan to use it for business purposes and for personal projects since it will allow me to easily move large items, such as furniture, between O'ahu and Maui where I live and do business. The current system of barges is awkward, slow and inconvenient, effectively limiting my choices and opportunities as a consumer.

Thelma A. Myers  
Maui Resident

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*Yes*

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**From:** Kathy Vogt [vogtb001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:07 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

To Whom It May Concern:

The superferry will mostly service the residents of Hawaii and small businesses. We are all at the mercy of the airlines and the longshoremen in traveling between islands for personal or business reasons and in transporting items in a small move or small business venture. The superferry gives us an opportunity to level the playing field. Do people really care about the environment or is it the money they may lose when they can no longer keep the residents of the island under the thumb of the unions?

10/23/2007

Yes

**testimony**

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**From:** Berna Kopa [bkopa@hingyca.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:17 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

My reasons for supporting the Superferry:

Another option for travel between the islands  
I am able to provide my own transportation once I arrive  
Millions of dollars have already been spent on a mode of transportation necessary to Hawaii  
We need a way of transporting goods that we can't take on airplanes  
I believe it will help keep the cost of travel at a rate more people can afford

Please don't let people from another state decide what our state needs. Most of the people who are not supporting the superferry are not locals. They are transplants from the mainland and all of a sudden they who have transplanted want to make decisions for the people of Hawaii.

**testimony**

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**From:** Keith Mueller [keithm@interislandhomebuilders.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:08 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super Ferry

Aloha,

*I just want to take the time to say thank you for the special session, and to let you know how important this is to Hawaii and its future. I without a doubt support the production and use of the Super Ferry in all it's capacity. The use of the Super Ferry means Jobs, another means of travel to and from outer islands, another means of emergency assistance with outer islands in case of an emergency (i.e. Tsunami, Hurricane etc.) it's not a matter of if a disaster will hit, it's a matter of when.*

The Super Ferry opens up a whole range of choices and affordable travel for us that have the pleasure of calling Hawaii home. I live on the Island of Maui and have a large family, (wife, and 4 children). What the Super Ferry will allow my family to do is, go to other islands so they can see their relatives more, do other activities that are not found in Maui. Listen it is real expensive to take a family of 6 put them on an airplane, rent a vehicle, and so forth.

*Please I urge you to really see the great impact this will have for the Aina of Hawaii. Not to take away from the importance of the environmental concerns or the animal rights etc, but basically let's face the facts, the Super Ferry*

*Is not going to impact the environment any more than any of the other hundreds of ships that hit the islands; and as for the concerns of the whales, dully noted but when push comes to shove what's more important? Life and liberty for those who pay taxes and live on the islands or for those of whom GOD gave us dominion over? Hey we love the whales, but they don't pay the bills, or pay taxes.*

Sincerely,

Keith Mueller  
(808) 385-2845

10/23/2007

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Yes

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**From:** Kreg cook [aquakcook@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:06 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** super ferry...

As an electrical contractor, the outer islands make projects on other islands more assessable and economically possible. I have clients that would be glad to here that we can now serve them on other islands.  
then there is the family visits from the mainland that make their visit more exciting with the ferry ride to other islands.

aloha,

Kreg & Letty Cook



Yes

**testimony**

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**From:** Alysa Costa [tackc1@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:02 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

I like many people, am in favor of the superferry. I think it is a great mode of transportation not only for the local people on vacation but also for companies with work trucks/vehicles. This provides great opportunity for services to be provided that normally may not be (i.e. can not take work tools and such on a plane).

I do not understand why the superferry can not stay in service while an EIS is being done. Ships, boats and barges go in and out of those harbors EVERYDAY. What is one more going to do????

We finally have something beneficial for the people of Hawaii.....PLEASE do not let us lose it!!!!

Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

Alysa Costa

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**From:** H.K. Pang [pangus01@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:01 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Mauian testimony of the Superferry

Originally I favored having the Superferry, which would offer choices of means of traveling for the people of Hawaii. However in the short span of time that the Superferry have been a part of our lives, it has been disruptive with a sheer arrogance. All one has to do is sit on Puunene Avenue in Kahului jostling with the traffic to get in the left lane that will do a left into Kaahumanu Avenue and note that the right lane sits vacant dedicated to the Superferry. This alone is a broad statement of corporate arrogance and State Administration dictatorial attitude and a slap on the face of the Maui people as to say "we will do as we wish and you will bear with us". Puunene and Kaahumanu Avenue is the busiest location during peak traffic and yet we are denied a much need lane that sits idle to a user who has yet pay into our tax coffer. If they have no regards for us at this level what assurance do we have that they will even heed our concerns for our Eco and Social systems of Maui?

WE DO NOT NEED A NEIGHBOR LIKE THE SUPERFERRY, unless they can demonstrate some consideration for us here.

SORRY SUPERFERRY, if you can prove that you will be a good neighbor than fix that damn road that;s screwing our traffic up on Puunene Avenue.

Helen Robello

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**testimony**

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**From:** alohaleilani@hawaii.rr.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:09 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support for the Superferry

**Dear Senate Committee,**

**I am writing in support of the Hawaii Superferry while an environmental impact statement is being conducted because I strongly believe the Superferry will do no more damage to the whales and sea life than the cruise ships do now and they are operating without environmental impact statements, as well as, ALL the other commercial fishing boats, commercial sailing boats and all water tourist activities.**

**I believe the Hawaii Superferry was singled out and predjudism was obvious from a handful of people who would like growth to stagnate in Hawaii.**

**Please feel free to use my testimony for the meeting below.**

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

**Respectfully,**

**Leilani Logan, 45-492 Oha Place, Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744 (808) 772-0679**

testimony

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Yes

**From:** Dabeachnut@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:14 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** In favor of superferry

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sincerely,

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**From:** Gary [gary@garybland.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:59 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super ferry

In favor of the Super Ferry, I will travel between the islands with my car and it makes life a whole lot better than shipping with Young Brothers.

I know that many of my other friends want this to happen also. The same reason, we as islanders can get around and do more business on other islands.

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**From:** TALINCN@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:14 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** HAWAII SUPERFERRY

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

I am in support of the Hawaii Superferry being allowed to operate while an EIS is conducted. I think it's a great opportunity to have another option available for inter-island travel, and to be able to bring my car along with me, should I choose to.

Traffic on Maui is an on-going issue and has been an issue before the Superferry decided to operate in the islands. Growing up on Maui, I have seen so many changes, and frankly, there are so many other factors that bring traffic to the island. Why pinpoint it to one thing?

I do agree that people should not go to other islands and just take from the natural resources of the island. For instance, those guys who took rock from Maui? NOT GOOD! But how do we avoid that? Make some rules! Establish restrictions on what can and cannot be brought inter-island and the amount that we take in our vehicles. Don't they inspect vehicles before it gets driven on-board?

Let the Hawaii Superferry operate!

Tisha Lincoln  
Wailuku, Maui

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**From:** Kevin P. Kanaley [kanaleyk001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:59 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

Aloha,

I live on Oahu and I travel to the outer islands for business and pleasure.

1. The Superferry will not change traffic by more than a very small amount because anyone traveling inter-island has to rent a vehicle anyway.
2. Vehicles traveling on barges aren't checked for invasive species when they are loaded.
3. The Superferry should be allowed to travel at any speed available to any other vessel, for instance container ships travel at about 25 knots and if they could go faster I'm sure we would be very happy with that kind of progress.
4. If whales are a concern the Superferry could potentially be fitted with a transducer that could transmit an underwater signal that would alert the whales.

I listen to the news daily on HPR so I may not be getting the whole story because I haven't been more involved but it seems ridiculous that a boat that could move our state transportation system into the 21<sup>st</sup> century is cause for such controversy. The entire rest of the world has been using high speed ferry's for decades.

Thank You  
Kevin Kanaley

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*Yes*

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**From:** Dana Bell [Dbell@maunalani.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:13 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** In support of the Superferry

To The Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment Senate Committees,

I am sending this email to you to express my support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. I understand the public's concern in the effects on the environment and I am all about protecting the ocean and our wildlife, but I don't see how the Superferry would do anymore harm than what the interisland cruise ships or Matson and Young Brothers Barges would create.

Being born on Oahu and raised on the Big Island, I would like to have the opportunity to experience the interisland ferry service. I have family on the outer islands and travel interisland about 6 times a year. I feel the option to fly or take the Superferry would boost our economy and help keep it affordable for kamaainas to travel.

Mahalo for your time,

Dana K. Bell

Oct 23, 2007

8:07am



~~NO~~**testimony**

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**From:** Mavis\_Medeiros/HANA/HIDOE@notes.k12.hi.us  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:10 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

Aloha all:

I thought I should write so there is no mistaken the fact that more people oppose than support the Superferry, contrary to popular belief. Most, if not all, of my family oppose it. I wondered at first if we were just paranoid about losing our resources and then on the first day of operation, our fears were confirmed by those people taking rocks from our beautiful island. Maui is the most popular island in the world for a reason. Our natural scenery, ambiance and the people and their aloha. Why would you try to jeopardize that? People in Hana still depend on collecting food from the ocean, aina, fishing and hunting to subsidize their income and feed their ohana. The Hana road still has not been fixed, the pali on the way to Hana still has not seen much improvement via wire net meshing. The last time funds were in for that, it's like the State went to the first pali they could find and threw the netting over it. I have never seen a landslide in that area. It looked as though the State or the Contractor was trying to save money on their employees by not having them drive too far. We had to put up with street lights in that area for months. Please stop the Superferry!!!

Aloha,

Mavis Medeiros

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**From:** Fernandez, Denise [Denise\_Fernandez@csaa.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:45 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** HAWAII SUPERFERRY

I am a travel agent in Las Vegas, and when the Hawaii Superferry was announced we knew that would open up a whole new way of getting people around the islands. The airlines are the only means of moving people between the islands and this limits the number of people we are able to book to certain destinations during peak seasons. The people we have spoken were very concerned when the SuperFerry stopped running. The airlines have luggage/weight restrictions and the superferry will allow them to move their car, so they can get around the island. We hope that you can figure out a way to make this work for everyone including the fish.

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*Yes* →

**From:** Bob Liljestrand [bobldesign@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:13 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii SuperFerry...

To Whom it May Concern:

It is extremely important to the great majority of the people of Hawaii that an arrangement be made that allows the ferry to operate and be financially successful while any environmental assessments are being completed.

First, the ferry is the first transportation system in Hawaii that will really help those of us that actually live here. Up to now, we have been victims of the tourism transportation relationship. When tourism is up air fare and rent a car rates go up and local people can't travel. This system will really help local people.

Secondly, imagine a disaster like an earthquake or hurricane that damages runways on other islands preventing their use. The super ferry will allow emergency equipment and personnel to be in those areas of need in a few hours, far faster than they could be with Young Brothers or the military. This ability would be absolutely crucial to the people of Kauai, Maui, or Hawaii.

Finally, it is important to the reputation of the State of Hawaii. Remember that initially the ferry was supported by the executive, judiciary, and legislative branches, before a very vocal and very small minority manipulated the courts to create the mess that we have today.

Please support the Superferry.

Sincerely,

Bob Liljestrand

Yes

**testimony**

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**From:** Quynh Pham [qpham@atlasinsurance.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:12 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

Hi,

My name is Quynh Pham and I support the Hawaii Superferry operation in Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. My reason is really simple; I would like to be able to have a choice when it comes to traveling.

Quynh T. Pham  
Email: qpham@atlasinsurance.com

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**From:** Jay Higashi [poipup@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:59 AM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** Support for the Supper Ferry

Our family supports the Supper Ferry. It would provide an alternative means of transportation to the neighbor islands. The Super Ferry would play a crucial role in transporting equipment and supplies to the other islands if there was a natural disaster. Presently, there are barges, cruise ships and other sea vehicles that come and go through our harbors without all this commotion. If the Super Ferry is not allowed to operate, we feel it would send a bad message out to businesses – that Hawaii is not a business friendly place. This is an image that Hawaii has been working to dispel for sometime. With all the media coverage it has received, more of the public will have the impression that Hawaii is a hard place to start a business.

I actually felt ashamed that my husband's family who lives in Chicago had seen the Kauai protesters on TV. The protesters were totally out of line.

The Higashi Family  
Pearl City, Hawaii

10/23/2007

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*Yes*

**From:** Lovey Clarion [jeffandlovey637@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:46 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Save the Superferry!!!

I think the Superferry is a great idea and many us of can benefit from it if we just give it a try . I'm originally from Maui in fact most of my family is still there. I could see myself visiting my family on a weekly basis and I would love to be able to stop at all the mom and pop stores and restaurants that I miss so much. I hope the Superferry stays...so please support the superferry!!!

Thank you

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**From:** eliza mitchell [elizalinnea@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:46 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry Testimony

Aloha, My name is Elizabeth Mitchell, I reside at 67-185 Kuhi St, Waialua Hi. I am writing to the Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment Departments. In regard to the hearing scheduled for Wednesday October 24th.

I want to show my strong support for the Superferry. I think that is a great way for locals to be able to take their own belongings interisland, including their car and animals. Personally, if I go interisland to have the ability to bring my dog is a real benefit for me. I know that this is possible by plane as well, but in that case a rental car is necessary. It would be almost impossible to travel around the island with my dog and a bag of luggage. But with the Superferry, having my own car and the dog can be in the car while on the trip is a huge bonus and gives me the ability to travel and explore the other islands on a much easier scale. Thank you for listening and Aloha. ~Elizabeth Mitchell~

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**From:** BMILLIES [milliesm001@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 2:59 AM

**To:** testimony

**Subject:** SuperFerry

We hope you will let The Superferry run while the impact statement is being done.  
Myron & Irene Millies

10/23/2007



NO

**testimony**

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**From:** Lori Vandermeer [vedhead13@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:46 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Maui Testimony - Oct. 22 3:00pm

This is testimony given at Maui  
Oct. 22 3:00pm

**from:**  
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**Wailuku HI 96793**

**email:** [vedhead13@yahoo.com](mailto:vedhead13@yahoo.com)

Protecting and caring for our environment should be something as simple as breathing -

it's just simply something you gotta do to stay alive.

I attended the first day of court testimony here on Maui.

I realized I was becoming much more aware of the facts sitting in court.

It opened my eyes to what was really going on.

I oppose this bill and do not want to see it passed;

it will strip our islands of the protections that we have through state environmental review law, which was upheld in the Supreme Court and 2nd Circuit Court rulings.

I think it is irresponsible to pass a special bill allowing the superferry to operate during the time it takes to prepare an EA or EIS.

In my opinion -- it must be illegal if the law has to be changed to allow them to operate.

We are a community surrounded by ocean -- and part of our lifestyle that makes living here even more special.

Which makes even more sense of why we need to take care of our ocean.

It seems that this company has gone out of it's way to stifle the proper environmental reports.

And Im confused --- why isn't the state alligning itself with the preservation of our islands?

You have to ask yourself -- "why this tolerance for deception"

We kind of think "oh this is how it works"

But at some point it has to stop and we are responsible.

This is our chance to let the Nation see how modern environmentalism is about doing business well and proper.

It is not a case of our own environment slowly eroding.

It is aggressively pulled towards colapse and sacraficed for the profit of very few.

I oppose this bill and do not want to see it passed.

peace, love & aloha

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**From:** Jon Whittington [jon@whittingtonhawaii.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:53 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Save the Superferry...and without the politics

Legislature,

Please do many businesses and all Hawaii residents the honor of allowing the Superferry to run immediately and do so without political posturing. As an island State, we need travel and shipping options and Superferry provides a satisfactory alternative. Further, our inability to enact change and growth sends a terrible message to business and businesspeople looking to seek new opportunities in Hawaii.

Finally, the arguments of the vocal minority appear to be invalid as the same risks apply to existing transportation options as well as the new Young Brothers barges that continue to come in to our State.

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3048 Diamond Head Road  
Honolulu, HI 96815

**testimony**

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Yes

**From:** jmsmith@sonic.net  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:53 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry Proposals

Dear Legislators,

We are residents of Hawaii Kai, and also world travelers, and have been shocked at the reasons which have been trotted out in an attempt to stop the Superferry.

The arguments that opponents only seek to delay, not stop, are specious, because the overhead expenses of keeping the Superferry and its crew idle, or underemployed, are so heavy that the company either goes bankrupt or sells the ferry to other island nations who are eagerly waiting for more high-speed ships like this.

The environmental arguments about protecting the whales have us shaking our heads incredulously. They want to protect migrating whales, they say.

Where do the whales migrate to? Alaska. So last June we were in Alaska riding the state-operated high-speed ferry through whale waters, zipping along at 40 mph, and no-one was shouting "slow down". Instead, the Park Service naturalist on board was inviting passengers to spot the whales and dolphins. We did, we saw a whale.

The Alaska state high-speed ferry operates on the same schedule year-round. If the captain feels there is a potential problem with marine life, he or she will sensibly slow down. They don't have Sierra Club monitors telling the captain how fast he or she may go.

Please do the right thing for Hawaii and let this ship operate without any conditions or restrictions, and rely on the crews' common sense. That's what Alaska does at the other end of the whales' migrating path.

John and Megan Smith, 250 Kawaihae St, 9-D Honolulu 96825, tel. 808-396-4027, email jmsmith@sonic.net

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**From:** don spada [noserider@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:00 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super ferry

I am a tax payer of this state. I want the Super Ferry to operate full time as do all other shipping and transportation company's.

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## testimony

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**From:** kehau [kehau.upnaway@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:13 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** In favor of the Alakai...

Members of the Senate Committees,

It is sad that the years prior to the Superferry, there seemed to be little or NO opposition to it's operation. Thus, the reason the State allowed it's existence to begin with. But because of a select group if individuals, this beautiful vessel sits at the dock. Besides selfishness, it's all about being un educated in the intent and background of the ferry. A majority of these opposed individuals have not even resided in Hawaii for a good numbers of years. Some of the complaints include:

- **TAKING THE HOMELESS PEOPLE FROM PORT TO PORT - FALSE!** The same credentials such as an I.D. and reservations are required to utilize the ferry. The customers are mainly established and local.
- **Endangered Species Island to Island - FALSE!** Young Brothers has operated transporting thousands of vehicles annually without any problems and without having to vacuum and/or wash the vehicles that they carry. The same required documents are needed for the Superferry, such as Vehicle registration and insurance. These cars aren't abandoned vehicles picked up on the side of the road to be left on another Island after use.
- **It is great for the merchants selling "Goods and Wears".** This is a perfect opportunity for individuals to sell their items on another island and return home the same day if they wish..allowing them to maintain THEIR SECOND JOB, which many of them have in order to supplement incomes in order to survive and provide for their families.
- At any given time, u can go the Honolulu Harbor and see how small the Superferry is in comparison to the **enormous Cruise ships** on both ends of the Harbor as well as the barges we use daily. Are these vessels washed and inspected like environmental groups are now requiring Superferry to do??? **Besides the Speed of the vessel...nothing should be wrong with the use of the Superferry.**

**I truly believe that the Investors and Management of the Hawaii Superferry are very caring and have the vast majority of Island residents and visitors at heart with this endeavor. These individuals have captured the true spirit of Aloha by the way they continue to care about our people , even in the midst of inappropriate adversity.**

**Please allow the Superferry to operate. It deserves a chance.**

Kehau G.  
 Lifetime resident of Honolulu, Hawaii

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**From:** Billspbs@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:00 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

Aloha, I read all fifty pages of the bill and I wish you would vote in favor of it. I also think for public safety it would be nice if the Hawaii Superferry had one or more of these monitors on it for fighting fires. It has a range of 430 feet at the 14,000 GPM level. <http://www.williamsfire.com/products/ctlgpages/BIGFOOT.pdf>

Sincerely, William Cardwell  
Hilo property owner

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*Yes*

**From:** Wendie Rhody [surf.song@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:13 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super Ferry

I would like it known that there are many of us that would like the Super Ferry to run but because of the "Very Loud Opponents" we are not heard.

I don't like to fly and would use the ferry as often as I could. I used to ride on Sea Flite and enjoyed it immensely. There are many who are unable to fly due to medical problems, phobias etc. and we all deserve to be able to travel.

It would be possible to go and shop for larger items on Oahu, furniture etc, and be able to transport it home in our truck. I could go to the swap meet in Aiea and sell the crafts I make. The ferry would benefit many of the small farmers, artisans and small businesses on Maui.

Thank you for your time,  
Wendie Rhody



**testimony**

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Yes

**From:** susan russell [slsrabbit2@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:06 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Ferry Service

As a frequent visitor to your islands, and as a handicapped person, I am looking forward to the ferry service as being not only safer than flying but more convenient for handicapped people!

Please allow the ferries to run!

Susan Russell  
slsrabbit2@yahoo.com

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Yes

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**From:** Jeff Barton [Jeff.Barton@pcehawaii.com]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:01 AM

**To:** testimony

Good Morning and welcome to another beautiful day!! I would start by stating I support the ferry. I believe the voice of the majority should prevail. I don't believe the ferry

Will create or contribute to damaging the "environment" any more than a Young Brothers barge or that tourist who flies over and rents a car from Budget. The airlines and car rental companies may disagree. To those who would resist the operation of the superferry and yet break the law themselves by their illegal methods of protest and harassment I would say their hypocrisy de-values any substance of their complaints.

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Yes

**From:** Mary Huebner [konagoldenoldie@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:06 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Superferry Operation

As a travel agent who works with many disabled people, I am in strong support of the Super Ferry operating between the islands. For truly disabled people flying is a nightmare that requires an excessive amount of preplanning and considerable additional expense beyond ticket cost. Think of the people who need supportive oxygen who will be able to take their equipment with them on the Super Ferry. The people in electric wheel chairs, who have to go through battery removal from their chairs in order to fly would actually be able to travel on the Super Ferry without having to have an entourage to assist them. In addition to the disabled, there are many people living on one of the Hawaiian Islands who have never been off that island, mostly due to a fear of flying. Please give all these people a chance to expand their options by allowing the Super Ferry to operate, and soon. Thank you Mary Huebner Kailua Kona Hawaii 808 895-7686

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Yes

**From:** Orson Moon [orson@csm-co.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:01 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** In Support of Hawaii Superferry

Okay, I didn't want to say it but push has now come to shove. We are letting a vocal minority of invasive species tell us how they want to keep their piece of paradise to themselves, to hell with everybody else that follows - too bad, too late. When are we, the silent majority, going to be heard! Well, now it's my turn and I hope you read this: WE WANT THE SUPERFERRY!  
Thanks for listening,  
Orson Moon

Yes

**testimony**

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**From:** Richard Berard [rberard@honolulubuilders.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:12 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Super Ferry Supporter

Dear All Parties,

It is about time that Hawaii wakes up and smells the coffee. We are a chain of Islands with higher rates of visitors and new residents each year and because of this our roads and highways are greatly impact with high volume of transportation. Over the years Government & State Officials have try to design different programs to reduce the transportation issues and have done better but it's not enough. The City & County and State was review this option of this type of ferry transportation many years ago know for themselves, but because someone has the resources to make it and reality an because it's not being run by the State everyone has there hand out or wishes to make this difficult for new business to come into our Islands.

The Super Ferry will have great impact for Construction Projects on other Islands being affordable for there vehicles and local people that may just want to visit families on other Islands as well without the hazel of Airport congestion and longer lines at Rental Car Companies. I am sure that there are rules & regulations that all shipping vessel must comply too, that the way it was before this is way it should be now. If there is and environmental study that needs to be conducted for the safety of the environment so be it but, make sure that all other shipping companies comply an being this process as well to ensure equal status.

Richard Berard  
Super Ferry Supporter

**testimony**

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*Yes*

**From:** Paul Maddox [zoom@kona.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:13 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** For the Superferry

**Senate Committees:** Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday, October 24

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

Aloha,

Like most local folks I have to work today (Tuesday) so I can't go to the Kona hearing about the Superferry.

But please count me and my family among those that would like to see her sailing while the EIS is underway. We especially want to see the Superferry servicing the Big Island in 2009!

Please also note that most real local people don't go out and make 'A' at these public hearings like so many new comers like to do. We have jobs.

Mahalo, Paul Maddox  
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Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

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**From:** Selders, Walter L Mr CIV USA NETCOM/9TH SC A [Walter.Selders@us.army.mil]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:12 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

I am a resident in Mililani and I support a special session of the Hawaii State Legislature to identify a solution that would enable the Hawaii Superferry to continue operation while the environmental assessment is being conducted.

Our family has waited for this alternate means of transportation to the neighbor islands to come to Hawaii. It will allow us another means of travel to the neighbor islands. It also allows neighbor island residents to come to Oahu to participate in sports and recreation events, shopping at the malls and family events.

I am also an automotive race enthusiast and the Superferry will provide Oahu's race car owners a realistic means of transport to the neighbor islands race tracks.

I am part of a silent majority and there has been too much negative publicity against the Superferry, I want you to know I am a full supporter of the Superferry and want to see this service operate in the State of Hawaii.

As I watch the news and listen to these protesters, I believe this ferry service will bring good financial gains especially to the Island of Kauai, where there are many business in major shopping centers have gone out of business. These people talk about more crime and more tourist at the beaches, their island is not crime free and whether the tourist come by cruise ships or airlines they will come and visit the beaches.

This alternative means of transportation allows people with special needs such as oxygen a more convenient way of travelling between the islands.

The people of Hawaii and I want interisland transportation choices. Hawaii Superferry is a transportation alternative that is wanted and needed by residents and businesses of Hawaii and will bring many benefits to our state.

It is not about saving a company; many island business have also invested in this venture and see this as a quicker and faster way of transporting their goods to the neighbor islands and to Oahu.

Prompt action is needed to save this transportation option and protect Hawaii's business climate.

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Thank you for your support.

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Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE



**testimony**

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Yes

**From:** harleyjane@hawaiiantel.net  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:12 AM  
**To:** testimony

I hope you let the superferry run it a good thing for hawaii and the people here. It brings jobs and competition for travel. I hope this will be resolved soon so that we can see this super ferry run.

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*Yes*

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**From:** jim jenkins [jimpluselaine@hotmail.com]

**Sent:** Monday, October 22, 2007 9:03 PM

**To:** testimony

I believe the Ferry service should be kept for the Hawaiian Islands. The importance of all Hawaiians and Visitors to see all their native Islands and the great people that inhabit them. The ferry is a great way to bring your own vehicle and for just riding on the ferry to see the other Islands is great. Thank-you Jim and Elaine Jenkins  
Kamloops British Columbia Canada

Yes

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**From:** STEVEN YOUNG [sdyoung@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:56 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support for Ferry

I support the ferry and believe it is essential for Hawaii to have alternate forms of transportation between the islands. The current limitation of only flying is bad public policy and severely impacts many disabled people, businesses, tourist and local people. We should not let concerns of a few impact the majority who wish for the alternate transportation. If we allow the ferry to leave it will be a very bad for the state and its people.

A concerned citizen,

Steve Young

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**From:** Debi [rebiroo@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:01 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Support bill for Hawai'i interisland ferry service

I Debra Goldstein-Carlson give testimony in support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. The Washington State Ferry that travels between the San Juan islands is a great example of who well and convenient the ferry works. I think it may hurt the airlines and car rentals, however with the price wars going on, the airline fares are not sustainable and will eventually have to bankrupt an airline especially since Go! air has such big backers. Therefore for those of us who live on Hawai'i it can be convenient and actually place more people to work.

Mahalo for your consideration,  
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**From:** B & K Shaddy [fourshads@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:49 AM  
**To:** testimony  
**Subject:** Ferry Support

Please allow for interisland ferry service. This service will enhance the business and social exchanges that currently inhibit the islands. We need this service.

Thank you,  
Kristy and Bradley Shaddy  
Friends of the Islands

10/23/2007

Yes

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October 23, 2007

Testimony for Special Session of the Legislature

Subject: Hawaii Super Ferry

The Canary Islands like the Hawaii Islands consist of 7 islands in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean. These are volcanic islands like ours with similar population, flora and fauna. The main industries are tourism and agriculture. They are part of Spain.

Fred Olsen Line (A Norwegian Company) has been providing car/passenger ferry service between these islands since 1989 with a fleet of 5 fast ferries of the same design as our Super Ferry. Their largest ferry travels at 42 knots [6 knots faster than our ferry] and carries 1250 passengers and 400 autos. This fleet provides safe dependable scheduled service among the islands and is vital to the commerce of the local population together with the tourists and especially the agricultural community.

They have never hit a whale or harmed any marine life in their history and invasive species has never been a problem. The major invasive species issue comes from the cruise/cargo vessels and air planes arriving from foreign destinations.

I am amazed that our entire community does not embrace the super ferry as a welcome addition to our inter island travel. The PUC after extensive hearings awarded the super ferry permission to operate between the islands. The Department of Transportation did all the studies and invested over 40 million dollars in harbor upgrades to ensure there would be no harm to the environment and to avoid traffic problems.

The super ferry will take us out of the dark ages and into the 21<sup>st</sup> century and finally provide us with transportation service between the islands at least comparable to those in Europe, Asia, and even the third world countries in Africa and Latin America.

It is time for all the unfounded emotional arguments that are being used to inflame those ignorant of the true facts to be set aside and all parties need to come together to allow this huge improvement to our inter-island transportation system.

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**From:** haleopops@aol.com**Sent:** Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:03 AM**To:** testimony

To: Legislators

Re: Superferry

October 22, 2007

6:00 am

I am sending my support for the Superferry. Hawaii has been waiting a long time for this to come. The issues at hand do not have supporting values. The Superferry has been singled out by a handful of people. Large cruise ship bring people & invasive species from all over and nobody checks them. Yound Bros. ship vehicles and items that come from the mainland & other islands and they do not have strict guidelines to prevent tranporting of invasive species. Any invasive species that are already here have come to the islands via other methods of transportation. I know that the Superferry is willing to work with the state in regards to being safe and protecting the whales. We need to allow the Superferry to continue there operation while the State conducts the EIS.

Thank You

D. McClain

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