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**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 7:57 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** superferry

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007

TIME: 9:00 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Wendy Pollitt* and I think I support the Hawaii Superferry, at least at this moment I do. After the EIS I will reevaluate, based on what that report says..

*Actually, I don't have anything factual or data-based to say on this matter. I think anything that helps bring the people of this state closer, creates more of a sense of unity among the residents of the different islands, permits that we travel back and forth and learn more about each other and the other islands, cannot be a bad thing. Such a transportation service might even help disperse the weight of the state's population away from O'ahu.*

*I do see the possible/probable threat to businesses, including the airlines (already in trouble) car dealerships, and others, and I think some thought should be given to how to mitigate the losses they will face and how those losses might affect the work force.*

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**From:** Anthony Ching [anthonyc.pactitle@hawaiiantel.net]  
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I urge you to support the enactment of this proposed legislation.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Robert Chock and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry. The Hawaii Superferry will give residents an alternate mode of transportation. It also provides much needed jobs and will strengthen our economy. Please let the world know that Hawaii's citizens are well educated and progressive and it is only the minority who are backwards in their thinking.

Sincerely,  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Lori K. DeLima* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*I feel it's important for the people of Hawaii to have options and this is what Hawaii Superferry gives us. Granted, there are some issues to be concerned about, but I believe that if it helps people then it is worth fighting for.*

*Sincerely,*

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

Our names are Linda K Barcheski and Randall G Barcheski and we strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

We want an alternate choice for traveling between the islands for farmers, sports teams, shoppers, horse show enthusiast and a multitude of other reasons. We were finally within reach of having this when a few squeaky wheels ruined this for the masses. Legislators lately seem to forget that the majority of our citizens would never come out to supply public testimony as you request. They feel just as strongly as those in the minority (against the ferry) that show up and shout down anyone that disagrees with them. You should know the people of Hawaii better than that. Your majority voters are more respectful and would never participate in such a forum.

Linda K Barcheski and Randall G Barcheski

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**From:** Siersma, Richard CIV NCTAMSPAC N3E [richard.siersma@navy.mil]  
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**To:** House Record  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Richard Siersma and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry will allow my wife and I to go other islands with our motorcycle for vacations. Without the Superferry we would have to make arrangements to ship the motorcycle on a barge which is a more complicated process, however, it will not require inspection to prevent the transfer of invasive species. I don't see that the operation of the Superferry would create any more of a hazard to marine animals than other currently operating marine vehicles. This would also provide another avenue for emergency assistance to the other islands after a disaster.

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**From:** Jody Kiambao [jkiambao@isi-hawaii.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 7:57 AM  
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**Subject:** I vote the Superferry be allowed to "OPERATE"

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Jody Kiambao* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Since I will not be able to submit in-person comments I am taking the opportunity to voice my support of the superferry through this email. It's a shame to not allow the Superferry to run...if running this Superferry was a concern...the Superferry should not have been allowed to get to the point of operation prior to the environmental survey. Not to mention the liability on the government...should a default become a reality....

The majority of us ask for transportation options to be expanded...yet...some of us protest the attempts to make a difference without providing possible solutions.

What's ironic is that my parents had planned a trip on the Superferry but it never happened...they got down to check in for their trip only to discover it was cancelled because of safety concerns due to protesters...that was really sad...you see...this was their last planned trip prior to my Dad starting radiation treatment to fight his cancer...who knows when they'll be able to have another opportunity to go on a trip together...

I realize the concern for the safety to the environment but I don't see how it is any more harmful than the activities already allowed. It's my understanding that the operators are sensitive to the whales and other animals in the ocean and they would have people keeping an eye out in an attempt to avoid them. I also understand that the superferry can immediately change direction should a need occur. Having said that I say give it a chance...

I trust the government will be able to come up with a solution of compromise that will result in allowing the Superferry to run.

Again – I vote the Superferry be allowed to "OPERATE".

One last thought...I don't understand why the protesters getting in the way and causing a racket weren't arrested and charges filed against them. We had to send cost guards and police officers to maintain safety and keep things under control...who pays for that...the tax payers...there should be some kind of consequence.

Mahalo for your support.

Jody Kiambao

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Angel Kauanoë Kaio* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*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. This could also be another way of access to send Help, if there should be an earthquake, or the airport is shut down, because of Terroism, Thee Hawaii Super Ferry, could be a very helpful tool too assist in such emergencies. Think about it, what this boat can be utilize for as a source emergencies. I'm Looking towards the future, think about it.*

*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,*

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Tammy Higashi and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I feel we need alternate forms of transportation and the Hawaii Superferry can provide that. Being able to go to the neighbor islands to visit family and to drive your own car on is a big plus. Furthermore, having the Superferry here in case there is another disaster would be another means of getting goods to Kauai instead of waiting for the barge. Competition with other forms of transportation is good for Hawaii, IT KEEPS THE COSTS DOWN!!

*Tammy Higashi*

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**From:** harry wong [harry\_canuck@yahoo.com]  
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**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Let Superferry Sail

I support Superferry. All forms of transportation, in fact all kinds of human intervention, will disturb nature. I believe the benefits of Superferry will outweigh the negatives.

I believe many people who showed up at the hearings were organized by the radical fringe who were looking for another stage to rattle their swords. They do not represent the majority of people in Hawaii who welcome another transportation option.

I believe airfares will rise substantially and capacity will diminish when the current airline war is over. We will all lament the lost Superferry opportunity if we drive them away. No other state relies more on diverse transportation modes than Hawaii. Please protect our future.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Ronnie Grover* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry service in the islands..

*Most of the harbors of the State are in bad shape and certainly need to be improved, many are crumbling. The alternative method of interisland traffic will greatly benefit the people and commerce of the State of Hawaii. It will provide a means of travel in times of disaster when air travel may be limited. Superferry will give the people a choice and help keep the high cost of shipping under control within the State ie: Young Bros just increased the price up to 15%.*

*I believe this modern high tec vessel to be environmentally suitable perhaps more so then older ships, barges and cruise lines which have very limited manuervabilitiy and also have propellars which are a hazard to marine life if encountered.*

*Humpback whales are in danger every day whether in Alaskan waters or Hawaiian. The whales can surface in front of a cruise ship, small fishing boat, the barge any vessel unexpectedly just as quickly as the superferry. To single the ferry out as being a threat to whales is understandable but man overall is really the threat.*

*I do not hear of Matson or Young Brothers inspecting containers, or vehicles getting washed down or ever open a box that someone has shipped to see if they packed rocks or what. Our homeland security is what we should be focusing on and the superferry could be a real asset to the safety and well being of our residents.*

*It is unrealistic to think that only the ferry will be shipping endangered or invasive species between the islands.*

*Ronnie Grover*

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**From:** kainuio@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 7:59 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** I Support The Superferry! (I cannot be there in person to testify)

I have to work and cannot appear at the State Capitol to testify but I wish to show my support for the Superferry. I was born and raised on the island of Oahu. I am part Hawaiian, Spanish, Portuguese, Cherokee. My Mom & Dad are from Kauai. We all support the Superferry. My family and I really would like to go to Kauai on the ferry to visit family and friends. Please allow it to run while the EIS is being completed. I would also like to ask though that whale routes be taken into consideration so these wonderful creatures are not injured.

The way the Superferry issue has divided our islands is disgusting. No matter how passionate we are on an issue, it is no excuse for the rude behavior of our "neighbor island" constituents. It is very hard for me to explain to my 12 year old son how fellow islanders can be so rude and angry. Its an embarrassment.

I think the ferry idea should have been brought to the voters years ago. The state government should have spent the time and money to educate the entire state on the pros and cons of the ferry. I think educating the state would have been and is still the key.

With the proper environmental clearance and education the Superferry would have smoother sailing.

Mahalo for your time. Good luck and hang in there. Thank you also for gathering together and listening to ALL of us, the people of Hawaii.

Mahalo Nui Loa,  
Alison Lyman  
Pearl City, Hawaii  
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Dear Legislators,

### **EIS FIRST--NO SPECIAL SUPERFERRY LAW!**

**SEEK DEFERMENT** on payments of Superferry's Federal loan, so there's time to do an EIS without Superferry going bankrupt.

### **IMPEACH & INVESTIGATE**

Impeach Governor Lingle, and investigate government officials at all levels for--

- having the Coast Guard and police to back up Superferry when it sailed into Kaua'i just after the court decision that it needed an EA, which is required before a project starts
- spending years preparing a Superferry launch with no EA, despite citizen opposition and pending court cases
- allowing the "Mahalo" cruises to launch, again with no EA

**FRYING PAN TO FIRE?** This bill will only bring protests, legal challenges, and profiteering--taking advantage of a dangerous precedent and of mistakes from hasty decision-making.

### **ADEQUATE PROTECTION?**

Others besides ferries can use harbor improvements. How many new cruise ships--and others-- will sail through this giant loophole?

Do the Governor, Legislature, and oversight task force have the resources to do as good a job as an EA or EIS?

Are there any consequences for environmental damage done before the EIS is completed??

Do mitigation measures start as soon as we discover they're needed? Or only after the EIS is finalized?

What's the completion date for an EIS? Could studies, and impacts, drag on for years?

Why is the fox in the henhouse? A Superferry executive is a voting member of the oversight task force.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Cory Harden, Hilo

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Tracy A. Randall* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*I am a strong supporter of the Superferry, I believe that this will help the families that can't afford other means of transportation to another island, we have family members located on Maui and Hawaii, and we simply cannot afford to travel there due to the rising costs of airfares, car rentals and lodging. Being able to take our own vehicle to another island will cut these cost quite a bit.*

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**From:** Tyrus Young [youngt013@hawaii.rr.com]  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Tyrus C. Young, of Honolulu, HI, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Not allowing the SuperFerry to operate at this point is not logical. Based on the above statement regarding HB 1, the environmental impact statement is related to the improvements of the commercial harbor. By extension of the current situation, shouldn't the harbor improvements be removed until the EIS is completed? The cost of such an action would be prohibitive and probably counterproductive. But doesn't the same reasoning apply to the SuperFerry itself? Many wish to blame the Lingle administration for pushing the SuperFerry program through with inadequate review, but haven't all branches of government been involved? While the governor may have pushed and lobbied for it, the legislative branch allowed it to proceed, and the judiciary originally (Judge Cardoza's original ruling) allowed it to go forward. Vast amounts of money have been expended, people have been hired (many leaving other employment opportunities) and the public's appetite has been whetted.

Further, the implication of not allowing the SuperFerry to operate at this point is essentially saying that it cannot pass an environmental study. All indications are that the SuperFerry has implemented many features to alleviate environmental concerns wherever possible. The need for the study is a technicality. The ONLY reason to suspend SuperFerry operations would be if it were proven to be of such harm to the environment, that a year of operations would cause irretrievable damage. Given the number of military transports, barges and cruise ships that navigate these waters, it is difficult to envision that the effect of one particular vehicle could rise to such a level. It is unreasonable to assume that a commercial venture can sit twiddling its thumbs for eight months to a year until some analyst decides that the impact of their operation will not affect the environment. At that point, the latent period is merely a waste of money to that venture, a loss of significant tax revenues for the harbor and state and a public black eye for those who stood in its way.

I urge you to give the SuperFerry approval to operate during the period that the study is being conducted. Your vote is not whether the SuperFerry will be began operations today or a year from now, but more likely, whether the SuperFerry will be available to Hawaii residents at all, at any time. Please

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show Aloha to the majority of Hawaii residents who support this valuable addition to our transportation choices.

Sincerely,

Tyrus C. Young

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**From:** Ahakuelo-Kam, Allyson [a.akam@heco.com]  
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**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Super Ferry

Stop the nonsense already and let the Super Ferry run. Did Matson with its barges and all the cruise ships get hassled like the Super Ferry? Just because a small minority is so vocal, how can the majority on the islands who want the Super Ferry be denied? What nerve that Kauai is worried about drugs going over to their island from Oahu when it appears that after the last drug bust it may be that Kauai is a major drug source. Oh, I know why Maui and Kauai allow the barges...it's carrying their toilet paper.

Should the Super Ferry leave our Islands, when the next hurricane or natural disaster happens on the outer Islands I hope they realize how they screwed themselves up.

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**From:** Faith Freitas [faith@tradepublishing.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:10 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Support SuperFerry

Aloha-

I support the SuperFerry – we need an alternative route between the neighbor islands. We're no different from other mainland states – which have transportation between cities. I would rather have the SuperFerry over a new H-4! Good for business – good for the people of Hawaii. Aloha-faith

## House Record

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**From:** Barbara Campbell [barbarac122@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:00 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Support of Hawaii Superferry

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007

TIME: 9:00 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Barbara A. Campbell* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the Superferry because it will give my family and all hawaii residents the opportunity to choose different modes of transportation to visit the outer islands. We as Hawaii residents should have the opportunity to voice our opinions and do not see that the Super Ferry will do any harm to the environment that the other barges and large vacation ships don't already do. I give my vote to support the Superferry.

I do not support and am appauled and embarressed by the outer island residents who oppose the Super Ferry by blocking the harbors and entrance ways. They are embarressing the Hawaii State and show their ignorance to the world.

*Barbara A. Campbell*  
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Kailua, HI 96734  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Anthony W.O. Ching* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I DO NOT PLAN TO TESTIFY IN PERSON.

Hawaii, the Legislature and its Courts, have a history of protecting the "public need" and have ignored laws which existed in the United States for hundreds of years.(i.e. Water rights, lease to fee conversions, shoreline setback lines, etc.) Notwithstanding concerns relating to the impact on the environment, the Hawaii Superferry benefits the State and its citizens in too many ways to ignore.

There is a definite "public need" for the Hawaii Superferry. I also believe that the Hawaii Inter-island Ferry Oversight Task Force will address the concerns of the environmentalists and others sufficiently until the EIS is completed.

I urge you to support the enactment of this proposed legislation.

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**From:** Jim Beaumont [printproz@hawaii.rr.com]  
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**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Yes on the Ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Jim Beaumont* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*Don't let these hippies from the mainland act like they run these islands.*

**MAJORITY RULES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

*James Beaumont*

*205 Kalihi Street*

*Honolulu, HI. 96819*

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**From:** Anthony Ching [anthonyc.pactitle@hawaiiantel.net]  
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**From:** Jack Stevenson [ulua3@hotmail.com]  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is John Stevenson and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. Teh Superferry will provide an additional means to travel between our island, great for families, friends and business use.

*John Stevenson  
82 Halaulani Place  
Hilo Hawaii 96720*



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**From:** Bob Reed [reedosan@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:02 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Superferry

To: House Chief Clerks Office

From: Robert L. Reed, 44-533 Kaneohe Bay Dr. Kaneohe HI

Subject: Testimony for the Record -- Superferry

I strongly support the Super Ferry and its immediate use in this State! Why? Because it will provide equal access to the public treasures of the whole State of Hawaii to all its citizens, not the few who live nearby. Don't we all have an equal right to the treasures?

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**From:** Spencer and Paddy McDonald [psmckean@mac.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:00 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Testimony Requiring an Environmental Impact Statement

There is some confusion created by the process followed so far.

The Senate announced hearings on a bill and held hearings in the outer islands before the Special Session was even called. (That in itself is interesting.)

Now that the Governor has called the special session, both the House and Senate will take up the Superferry bill.

The Senate will hold a hearing today (Wednesday) at 10:30 to take comments on the bill in the Auditorium.

The House will hold a hearing tomorrow (Thursday) at 9:00 am to take comments on the bill in the Auditorium.

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**Relating to HB 1 Relating to Transportation  
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**FROM: Spencer L. McDonald**

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SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF 2007  
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**Rep. Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair**

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

**Rep. Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair**

**Rep. Marilyn B. Lee, Vice Chair**

**MY POSITION: Please honor the Court's decision to require an Environmental Review of the HDOT Harbor project BEFORE allowing the Superferry to operate. If you pass this bill, please include the 29 conditions proposed by the Maui delegation (based on the court testimony during the recent trial.)**

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Galen Kitamura.

I support the Super Ferry.

It gives the people of Hawaii more mobility and choices.

It creates competition between transportation companies which should benefit the consumer.

A bigger threat to Hawaii is the brown tree snake from Guam. Are we spending as much time and money making sure that "invasive specie" does not operate in Hawaii?

Thank you for listening.

Galen Kitamura

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**From:** Richard Ferguson [fergrich@hawaii.rr.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:03 AM

**To:** House Record

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Richard Ferguson and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Administration, the Legislature and a Court all allowed/encouraged the Superferry development to proceed. Then 17 months after the Court decision the State Supreme Court made its decision. Thank you Supreme Court! You in the Legislature are every bit as capable as judges to make this decision and you already did! The Legislature and the court was right the first time. The Supreme Court was wrong.

Making every little project subject to an EIS, just puts more power into the few professional naysayers who have never sought to be "for" anything.

As a 57 year Hawaii resident, I am excited the people are about to experience a whole new dimension of travel that will enrich our lives. A few professional naysayers use technicalities in the law to stop and harass projects of every kind. They don't represent the people, you do.

Mahalo,

Richard B. Ferguson  
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**From:** kjshiv@hawaii.rr.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:03 AM  
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I am strongly in favor of beginning Superferry service immediately. It will be a benefit for ALL residents of the islands. In addition to providing an alternative method of transportation for residents to visit their neighbor islands, it will permit local business people to expand their services to the other islands. For example, a landscaper on Kauai will be able to bring his/her equipment over to Oahu on the Superferry and complete a landscaping job on Oahu. Also, it will provide jobs for hundreds of Superferry employees. It is unfair to place more operating restrictions on the Superferry than on the other large cruise and freight ships that travel between the islands daily. Please give the Superferry a chance.

Mahalo.

Kelly Shivery  
Kapolei  
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**From:** Barbara Price [cbmts@asanltr.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 7:25 AM  
**To:** House Record  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Barbara Price and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry gives us an alternative in transportation between the islands. Air travel between the islands is the only real public mode of transportation now and becomes prohibitively expensive to those who want to bring their families together or to those who commute for part of their jobs. The recent increases in shipping costs and the promise of higher air fares only reinforce this.

Ferry services are used worldwide and many in areas where whales are present (Alaska, Canada and Seattle, to name a few.) Science has learned a lot about whales and other animals that could be affected by sea travel. Environmental impact assessments are not new sciences and can be accomplished quickly. Most of the concerns are already known and plans have been made to mitigate those. Only government red tape can make the process time-consuming. We are not breaking new ground.

In my view, I do not see how Princess Cruise lines can have one of their largest cruise ships visit the islands, at the same ports as the Superferry, without being challenged as the Superferry was. These cruise ships also increase traffic and congestion in these smaller ports. A cruise ship with over 5000 people (passengers and crew) causes significant congestion with taxis, buses, shuttle buses, car rentals and even foot traffic to small harbors such as Nawiliwili and Kahului.

Concerns over transferring disease, pests and animals between the islands pale when compared to the huge imports from China (spiders in granite) and other countries that come in on our regular freight (e.g., fire ants). Inspections and cleaning vehicles will aid in mitigating these possible transfers. Perhaps we should have demanded that granite and rocks coming in (and ship holds) be washed with pressure hoses before admitting them.

I will not be available to appear in person on Oct 25, but I do want my voice and opinions heard.

**Dr. Barbara B. Price**

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**From:** Melissa McFerrin [melissa.mcferrin@hawaiisuperferry.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:01 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Testimony for the Record: HB 1, Hearing on October 25, 9:00am

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Ruth Kuuleialoha (Kauhane) Garza and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

As a resident of Kaua'i for 25+ years, I would like to apologize for the actions of the people at Nawiliwili. This is not the island way of speaking up your opinion. I was a passenger on the Superferry along with my husband and was appalled at the ugliness and profanity directed to island people on the ferry. Auwe, make shame for us here. The disrespect shown to the Coast Guard and Governor at the Lihue meeting robs our island of any aloha to the public view.

As a private company serving the public, the hindering of this free enterprise to conduct business is shameful nationally and internationally. My hope is that you will support the right for this company to do business in this state. Their success is yet to be determined. If the public wants to use it then the "choice" should be protected. The issue is not the "product" but the process and I hope to see a future for the Superferry here on the islands.

I was born and raised on Hawaiian Homes (Papakolea) and my kupuna would be ashamed of this pilikia caused by the select few who wants to keep the island people isolated from each other. "Catch plane, rent car" is not the

choice for me. Island teams traveling together, not burdening family members with transportation needs, fresher products for local businesses are just a slice of what the Superferry can offer. Mahalo nui loa for your time and ears to hear my voice.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ruth K. Garza  
Lawai Valley, Kaua'i  
4559 Kui Lei St.  
phone# 332-9064

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**From:** Art Maglangit [res065ps@hawaiiantel.net]

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:04 AM

**To:** House Record

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Aaron Maglangit* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*Simply put, WE NEED another alternative for travel to the neighboring Island. Not only for vacations, but primarily for visiting relatives.*

**AARON S. MAGLANGIT**

**94-289 KAHOLO ST., MILILANI, HI. 96789**

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**From:** David Clarke [davidsurfer808@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:02 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry Testimonial

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is David H Clarke and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Hawaii Superferry offer Hawaii the opportunity to expand the tourism industry and create a new type of vacation experience for Hawaii visitors. By offering tourists the opportunity to Island Hop and take rental cars with them, decreasing the hassle and giving them the opportunity to see more of our state. It will also make it easier for locals to travel to and from Oahu for shopping, family visits, and business trips.

In addition to improving our inter island transportation the Hawaii Superferry also offers an additional way to get off an island in the event of an emergency. If something were to happen to our airport the residents will be stuck on the island, However the Hawaii Superferry could offer an additional way outlet from the islands.

While the Superferry does bring with it some concerns they are all controllable, and the benefits far out way them.

David H Clarke  
327 Naniloa Drive  
Wailuku, Hawaii, 96793  
(808) 283-3239

**House Record**

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**From:** Paddy&Spencer McDonald [psmckean@mac.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:04 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Testimony Requiring an Environmental Impact Statement

Name: Patricia Kean

Address: P.O. Box 682 Kilauea, HI 96754

My name is Paddy Kean and I am a resident of Kilauea, Kauai. I suppose we could all come up here and give our testimony in describing the continued saga of the known illegalities that the Lingle administration is trying to persuade us and, more importantly right now, you with. I think by now, we all are aware of the facts, and it's now just about the spin the media and the administration put on those facts. I would like to bring awareness to some other, not talked about facts.

Ms. Lingle has been entrusted to steward this nation's, if not the world's, most sacred and beautiful lands and oceans. She holds in her heart the power to protect or destroy this land. It is a choice she has made, but she cannot fully implement this choice without your approval.

I am asking you to remember why you chose to walk this path as a politician. Was it to ensure the continued pono values, ideas and ethics instilled in you as a young man or woman? Was it to ensure that you will speak up for what the people hold dear to their own hearts, and fight for what is righteous and true? Was it to protect and honor the Constitution of this great country? Was it to protect the resources of this truly magnificent land and ocean? If you answered yes to all of the above, we saw those qualities in you when we, the people, elected you. With you, I am preaching to the choir.

If, on the other hand, you couldn't answer yes to those questions, it is you whom I need to address. Perhaps there are other righteous reasons you sit in council, but I truly hope none is for the highest benefit of yourself. We, the people, are now asking our representatives to be accountable. We are witnessing the erosion of our system, and though it might be a system in a state of evolution, we will not stand for the deception any longer. We are the power that runs this country, and with all due respect, don't any of you forget that. We see the deception, the lies and profits, and we will hold those people responsible for such actions.

I am forever an optimist, and I invite those people that feel compelled to believe that there is

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lack in this world, and making important decisions based on that belief, to reconnect to their true paths. The facts in this decision are clear. The question is if you follow the laws that we have all come to agree upon through the years, or if you change those laws to suit Ms. Lingle and her corporate military complex. I implore you to make the pono choice.

## House Record

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**From:** Earl [kimoskoa@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:03 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Super Ferry

Alaska, Washington and other locations all have very successful ferry service and now is the time for the great state of Hawaii to join them with state of the art ferry service. I would personally use the service in two ways: to visit neighbor islands a couple times a year plus just to cruise, occasionally (one day round trip). As far as the environment goes, it would seem that the ferry would be no more dangerous to the environment than the cruise ships or Young Brothers, even though the ferry goes faster and more frequently. Regarding the whales, the ferry should be safer since it does not have a propeller which could cut a whale if it got too close. When considering legislation for the Super Ferry, I strongly believe that restrictions should not be imposed on the Super Ferry that are not also imposed on the cruise ships and inter-island barges.

Also, I think it is terrible that a small minority (around 20% according to most polls) can dictate policy to the majority. Why aren't the cruise ships or inter-island barges required to get an environmental assessment? It would not surprise me to learn that an air line (operating behind the scenes) stirred this up.

Earl Batteen  
98-1375 D Kaahumanu St.  
Aiea 96701

## House Record

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**From:** PERREIRA87@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:09 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** (no subject)

Hi I support the Super Ferry, and would like it to have it in Hawaii..

thank you,

Liz Perreira

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**From:** Buckingham, Charles at PROP\_MAUI [cbuckingham@abprop.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:02 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** superferry support  
**Importance:** High

My name is Charlie Buckingham, I have 3 small children, ages 1-5, I (my family) support the Superferry for many reasons.

The primary reason is economics! The cost of air travel, car rental, ect..make seeing family on Oahu & Kauai very difficult.

Please do it for the people of Hawaii!

Charles Buckingham

Haiku, Maui, Hawaii.



## House Record

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**From:** Toyama,Randall-FICOH [Randall.Toyama@ficoh.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 8:04 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** HB1 Relating to Transporation

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Randall Toyama and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

For an island state, I think it is ridiculous that we do not have a water transportation option. The Hawaii Superferry will be good for the people of Hawaii and for businesses, both large and small.

Sincerely,

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## House Record

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**From:** Steve Thomas [sdthomas49@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 24, 2007 7:49 AM  
**To:** House Record  
**Subject:** Hawaii Superferry

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007

TIME: 9:00 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

### HB 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

Requires the Department of Transportation to perform an environmental impact statement (EIS) for certain improvements made to commercial harbors. Permits operation of large capacity ferry vessel company prior to completion of EIS upon meeting certain minimum conditions. Establishes a temporary Hawaii Inter-island Ferry Oversight Task Force.

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Steve Thomas and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am writing you today to say I am very saddened by the conflict on the Hawaii Superferry.

I believe that the Superferry is a boon to the local economy, including tourism, interisland commerce and jobs. It is also a good way for people for illnesses that need to be treated on O'ahu to get to and from the outer islands without the discomfort of traveling by plane. The Superferry provides good paying, stable jobs. We all know how good jobs are difficult to come by these days. It will allow small businesses to reduce their cost and hopefully pass the reduction on to the consumer. It will enable local families from all islands to visit more often.

I believe that all the islands will benefit and that only a few individuals will be negatively effected and most of these people that are complaining the loudest do not contribute a great deal to the islands anyway because of their negative attitude about anything good that happens or could happen. They want to see things remain as they are and nothing stays the same no matter how much you would like it to. Only by directing the change for a positive outcome can the islands develop in a positive direction and not be drug down by bad influences such as crime and drugs.

I do not think that a few protestors should be able to decide what the majority of people who live and work in the islands believe is a good thing for all. A radical few should not determine what is best for the majority!!! What has the MAJORITY of people told you they want. From the poll numbers I have seen the answer is obvious.

I hope you will do all that is in your power to correct this injustice and help the islands move forward to one group instead of into the past where all the islands disliked one another and were only interested in their personal gain and not what is good for all. We need to come together as one island state not as individual islands only interested in their own personal gain.

It sounds like the environmental impact will be significantly less than the cruise ships and the barges. Hawaii does not need a black eye when it comes to being a good place to do business. The majority of people who live here want jobs and new businesses to come to Hawaii not more homeless people and drugs. Please do the right thing and allow the Superferry to operate.

Sincerely,

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