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**From:** Chris B. [emcb69@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:16 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii SUPERFERRY,

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Monday, October 29, 2007

TIME: 1:30 p.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Chris Buell, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am a resident of the state of Illinois, and will be a possible tourist that has interest in traveling to the state of Hawaii to enjoy, and learn about the culture, of the state of Hawaii, and all it has to offer.

Being a traveler to your great state, I would hope, and would only expect, that as myself being a citizen of the United States, and also a retired member of the armed forces of the UNITED STATES, that I would have the freedom to choose to travel by any mode of transportation available from Island to Island unrestricted. I am offended that anyone would hinder my freedom of movement around this great country by any mode of public transportation available such as the Hawaii Superferry.

I learned about the "Hawaii super ferry" many months ago, and was very impressed, and excited at the lengths this company has taken to assure, and reassure the state and country, and its citizens of the safety measures it has taken in the construction of this vessel. Not to mention the care in which the well being of the environment through this vessels unique, and advanced systems will be respected, and assured.

This vessel, as far as I have been able to research, is one of the most environmentally safe, and friendly modes of transportation afloat in the world, if not one of the safest, and most versatile vessels as well.

I do not understand why there has been such adversity over such a positive move to improve the well being, freedom of movement, and safety of individuals, while also improving the environmental impact over any other previous system currently in use.

Other systems, and companies have had no hindrances, or question as to its operations in these waters, and islands even though all other systems have a very clear and negative impact on the air, water, and environment, compared to that of the new, advanced, and updated improvements a environmentally friendly vessel like the Hawaii Super ferry will have.

I and many others like me have fought, and given of my body and our lives, through our service to our country to uphold our freedom of movement throughout this country, as well as all are freedoms upheld by our constitution.

Due to the fact that no other mode of transportation has ever had this much controversy as to it's operations in and around the state of Hawaii, I cannot help but think that this issue has less to do about the environment, and has more to do with special interest groups, and there private agendas.

I only see a positive change in allowing this ferry system to operate in the state of Hawaii. I see only great things ahead for the improvement of quality of life for all, that extends way beyond your borders!

The freedom of movement, increase of jobs and agricultural exchange, and this being another mode of transportation for our citizens freedom of movement is a great thing.

In closing I would hope that the citizens and the governmental body will make the right decision to allow the Hawaii super ferry to operate unhindered, and to improve the rights, freedoms, and lives of it's citizens.

Most sincerely,  
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**From:** Sonya Moore [mauitocal@mac.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:15 AM  
**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Sonya I Moore* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*We have lived in Maui for the past 9 years. And I always thought of the Islands as being one State. This ferry will bring us together and see the needs of our neighbors. There are so many great benefits. Lets act like ONE STATE and not like individual Islands.*

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**From:** Rose Tankersley [cotarose@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:15 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** ferry

I have not used the ferry yet but as a frequent visitor to Hawaii , I was looking for a convenient way to visit the different islands. I hope you keep the ferries. Sincerely, Rose Tankersley

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**From:** Duncan [duncanr001@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:16 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Supper Ferry 1:30 pm Auditorium meeting at the State Capitol

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Robert Wayne Duncan and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*I know that a couple of same construction ferries have operated out of Bar Harbor and Portland Maine to Nova Scotia for a few years which went through similar environmental reviews. I also believe that the ferry should not be required to have additional requirements to prevent the spread of soil, bugs, etc. that the existing inter island shipping firms such as Young Brothers are presently not responsible for. I also believe that the ferry should be allowed to operate as originally planed until something is found wrong. If something is found, it should be taken care of at that time.*

*Robert W. Duncan*

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**From:** TRACY LINDO [TLINDO@queens.org]  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

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

*I feel the people of Hawaii deserve an alternative means of transportation to other islands. This would allow us to purchase vehicles from other islands and be able to transport them at a lesser charge than having it shipped. It also provides a scenic and enjoyable voyage to other islands. I feel the local people would use this as an opportunity to visit other islands more often than the more expensive means of airfare. We would also be able to take our own vehicles saving us money on renting cars allowing us to travel more frequently. Please allow the ferry to operate!*

*Thank you!*

*Tracy Lindo*

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Lori-anne Cash* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*The Superferry provides needed transportation alternatives within the Islands. It not only benefits the residents directly by affording them this alternative but it also benefits them from the economic aspects of Tourists being able to utilize them as well. In addition, and of perhaps a significantly undervalued perspective, if another Iniki strikes one of the islands, the Superferry would be invaluable in providing assistance and options.*

*Frankly I cannot think of any REASONABLE objections to the Superferry. There will always be fanatics whose perspective MUST be jaded by the mere fact that fanaticism blurs perspective!!!! If the Superferry is a negative aspect of our waterways, then so too are Cruise ships, fishing vessels, motorized tourist boats, etc etc etc etc.*

*REASON needs to prevail here; not political pressure. What is REALLY best for Hawaii?????? When did Majority Rule totally cease to have any real value -- other than in the current White House??????????????????*

*Lori-anne Cash*  
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*Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:*

*My name is Carol A. Thomas and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry and I firmly believe that we should allow them to begin operations immediately.*

*The Superferry gives me an alternative to visit my friends and relatives on the neighbor islands. Last May we flew to Maui and waited 2-1/2 hours at the Alamo Rental in Kahului for our rental car. We missed my niece's wedding rehearsal entirely but thankfully made it in time for the dinner. This would not have happened if we drove our own car aboard the Superferry.*

*The Superferry is just another ship in our waters and it is insane to treat it as a "special entity." If this be the case, there should be restrictions in place for all new vessels, barges, etc. that are added to the fleet at Matson, Young Brothers, etc.*

*To state that invasive species will come with the ferry on our automobiles is plain hysteria. How did the coqui frog get here or the wasp that has destroyed our wiliwili and the new one eating away at our plumeria?*

*I am a native Hawaiian and most of the opponents I see on TV are the invasive species who now claim Hawaii as their home. It is a sad day when neighbor island supporters are afraid to come forward at the hearings because of retaliation.*

*Carol A. Thomas  
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**From:** TFox2345@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:17 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** SUPERFERRY

Dear Chairs Souki & Oshiro,

My name is Thomas L fox and I live on Maui.

I strongly support the Superferry as a back up to air travel and as a means of linking all of the Islands.

Please support the bill.

Thank You,

Thomas Fox

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**From:** Nakasone's [nakasonej002@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:17 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** WE SUPPORT HAWAII SUPER FERRY

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

My name is Karen Nakasone and I strongly support Hawaii Super Ferry. We need another means of transportation to visit our neighbor islands, and what better alternative than going by ferry. We go to Washington state twice a year, and take the ferry all the time, loaded with grandkid and kids and a car. Seems like the ferries and environment are fine in Washington. It would make travelling so much easier for the disabled, seniors and families with little kids. This would be a great way to enjoy the beautiful waters and scenery of the islands. Give us a choice.

Sincerely,

Karen Nakasone and James Nakasone

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**From:** Michelle Okamura [Michelle@mauidivers.com]  
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**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** FERRY

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My name is MICHELLE OKAMURA and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am in support of the Hawaii Superferry because we would not be able to afford going to the outer island as a whole family because it would be too expensive for air transportation, rental car, etc.. We would also travel to the other islands that we normally wouldn't think of going to since we would be able to take our vehicles. With the Superferry, we can all travel together. Also, my son is in sports and with the ferry, it'll be cheaper to travel to the outer islands. I am 100% in support for the Superferry.

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**From:** AValdez5@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:18 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Support of Superferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I am writing in support of the Hawaii Super ferry. I was just there in DEC 2006 and July 2007. I wanted to book an intrerisland trip with the super ferry but found out it was not going to be open on time. I had a family of six with me and wanted them to experience the beauty Hawaii has to offer from eye level. I would love to go back again in DEC 2007 or FEB 2008 and enjoy the spectacular views of Hawaii from this amazing boat.

Thanks,

Adrian Valdez

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**From:** EkeNuiFarm@aol.com  
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**Subject:** Supporter of Superferry

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*Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:*

*My name is Marla Jean Hunter and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.*

*Fair competition is valuable. Options are important. This state needs to have sound, reliable, alternative innerisland transportation for emergencies, for alternate travel for visitors and kamaaina, for development of small businesses, and to encourage higher educational options for all residents. Special interest groups should not be the ones to stop what the masses want, need, and request to have.*

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**From:** Jennifer Amarin [jamarin@dssystem.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:17 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony

The people of Hawaii needs other alternate transportation choices to and from the islands of Hawaii. I stand for the Super Ferry and hope to have the opportunity to ride the Super Ferry soon.

***Jennifer Amarin***

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**From:** Samuel, Charles CONT (PMRF ITT) [charles.samuel@navy.mil]  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Charles Samuel Jr. and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I live on the Kauai and would welcome the service that the Hawaii Super Ferry will provide. It is a perfect fit for business, recreation, keeping families in touch and in event of a natural disaster, can provide evacuation and re-supply to the beleaguered area. It also offers competition for freight forwarders and licensed contractors as the pool of available service providers grows to keep prices and businesses competitive. It will also help small businesses grow and prosper. I believe the very vocal minority has painted a picture of an "Environmental Armageddon" if the HSF is allowed to operate. The airlines, cruise ships, cargo carriers and freight forwarders are not being held to the same scrutiny as the HSF- this is an unfair and biased business environment. I see tour ships run in the island waters at speeds greater than 20 knots with impunity but no environmentalist scream foul.

The vocal minority has pleaded protect the environment and the whales as a "righteous" argument and shield for their cause. The real reason opponents do not want the HSF is they don't want Oahu or other island residents using Kauai resources in their part of the island. I have heard it time and time again-keep them off our beaches, streams, trails, fishing spots, surf breaks, and our roads. These are the same people who don't want gated communities. In my opinion the EIS findings will have the same weight as a fortune teller gazing into a crystal ball - In the end it will be pure speculation. Let the HSF run for a specified time then reevaluate and institute measures that will address tangible problems if found to have a negative impact on the environment, social and economic situations for the ports the HSF services.

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**From:** Danielle M G Jones [dmgjones@hawaii.edu]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:18 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** I support Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Danielle M. G. Jones, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

This is to lend my strong support to Hawaii Superferry whose inter-island sailing I believe will boost commerce in Hawaii. Thus, the sooner it resumes working, the earlier we will feel its positive impact on our economy.

Danielle M. G. Jones (DBA Sunshine Jones) RR 2 Box 4526 Pahoia, HI 96778-9756  
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**From:** Liz Quartero [lizq@nogins.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:08 AM  
**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Support of the Super Ferry

I strongly support the Super Ferry.

Thank you, Elizabeth

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**From:** V. Franco [vicki.franco@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:11 AM  
**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Testimony in Favor of the Hawaii Superferry Sailing Now

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Victoria Franco* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*I was born and raised in Hawaii and have been waiting for an opportunity to use sea travel between islands for a long time. Ferry service means being able to drive on board and drive off at your destination. I would love to be able to take my children and grandchildren to visit our ohana on Maui and Kauai. As we get up in age we find the airlines are intrusive and restricting. The ferry would allow us to move about the passenger deck so as not to let our arthritis ridden legs get stiff from having to sit the entire journey.*

*I do not want to spread invasive species between islands and would support the HDOA position agents at the piers to observe the loading of the vessel with cars and people. I would also agree with NOAA sailing onboard the Alakai when it is whale season and they travel through the sanctuary. Thank you for taking the time to investigate this issue and resolve this situation in a timely fashion.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Victoria Franco*

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**From:** Kera Chipps [kera501@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:13 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Support of the Superferry

Dear Sirs,

I have lived on Kauai for one year. Coming from Washington State where ferrys run many routes daily, the ferrys help with the traffic problems, leisure rides to other islands, and reduces pollution. I have never heard of a ferry running into a whale! I really hope the Super Ferry does get a chance to run here in Hawaii.

Thank you for your time.

Kera Chipps  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Marian Boyko*, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I honestly feel that this would be a great asset to the islands, to both residents and tourists. How nice it would be to bring your car, rental or otherwise, with you from island to island. And what a great alternative to flying!! I just can't imagine how the ferry could pose a problem with the environment any more so than the current water traffic, such as Cruise ships, fishing boats, and tour boats. It would be a terrible mistake not to let the Superferry operate, in my opinion. Please, please pass this wonderful service through!

Thanks for your time.

Sincerely,

Marian Boyko

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**From:** Elena [rustystar98@gmail.com]  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Ariel and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*I support the Hawaii Superferry because of all the possibilities it opens. Inter-island travel with the ability to bring along vehicles is a huge step for Hawaii. We have been waiting for this opportunity for a long time. I believe that the Superferry really is quite safe to the whales and other marine life. Yes, the possibility exists that it may injure a whale or other animal, but what barge or cruise ship hasn't. The Superferry has done a lot to ensure the safest way to build the boat and spent a lot of money on it and putting it into service. We should not disregard this opportunity so quickly and selfishly. There are thousands of people who are IN favor of the Superferry.*

*The Hawaii Superferry also allows many job opportunities for many businesses and people, and could be come a successful tourist attraction. The possibilities are endless.*

*Please, please do not make the Superferry leave.*

*Ariel*

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**From:** ALLYSON.STEBBINS [ALLYSON.STEBBINS@pruhawaii.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:10 AM  
**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
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I strongly support Hawaii Superferry operation prior to completion of EIS upon meeting certain minimum conditions.

My husband and I prefer to have a travel alternative to the neighbor islands. Please vote to allow the Superferry to operate during the EIS.

Mahalo nui loa,

Allyson Stebbins

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**From:** Kawehi Lee [kawehi@moss-engineering.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:06 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
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My name is Kawehilani Lee and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I believe that Hawaii need another way to get back and forth to the different islands and the Superferry is the answer. The Superferry will allow us to take our cars and enjoy the other islands. I hope you take this into consideration and allow the Superferry to run here in Hawaii.

Sincerely,

Kawehilani Lee

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**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:12 AM  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is CHRISTINE Y. SAKAMOTO and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

As we are limited in transportation options due to our location, I believe it is in the best interest of our State to have alternate transportation available, especially in times of emergency. I strongly feel that it will benefit our economy in many ways.

I believe that the Hawaii Superferry will be of great service to our islands for both visitors and residents alike.

*Christine Y. Sakamoto*  
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**From:** Joe Mastrantonio [joemas@hawaii.rr.com]  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is JOSEPH J. MASTRANTONIO and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I see it as being extremely important to the further economic development of our State. It will expand jobs and commerce between our Islands so that all of our citizens have more and thereby better choices in purchasing goods and services from each other. It's similar to building bridges to allow the free exchange of goods between citizens. Very basic yet very critical to our people.

Thank you  
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**From:** Chad Buck [chadbuck@hawaii.rr.com]  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Chad R. Buck and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I feel the Superferry will be great for the state of Hawaii as well as support all of our islands in case of a natural disaster.

I strongly believe that the majority of Hawaii residents support the Superferry (even though we are not as loud as the few that oppose it).

Thank you for your time and interest in making sure that the decision you come to is the best decision for all citizens of our great state.

Chad Buck

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Priscilla May* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I believe that this will be a new phase for Hawaii's people for more jobs and opportunity to enhance Hawaii's environment.

*Priscilla May*

*Dept of Health Children Mental Health - 3627 Kilauea Ave Room 101 - Honolulu 96816 - 808  
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**From:** Joanna Peter [Jpeter@camhmis.health.state.hi.us]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:13 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Support for the Hawaii Superferry

My name is Joanna Peter, a citizen and Native Hawaiian of our great state of Hawaii for my entire life. I am saddened to hear that we have been placed in such an awkward position to the extent that a special session of the Legislature has been convened.

As a lifelong resident of Oahu, I am in support of the Hawaii Superferry and the options that it provides to all our citizens, especially those that do not wish to travel by air. I am looking forward to traveling on the Superferry to take my family to the outer islands. What a wonderful experience it would be for my children to see the islands, view the glistening coastlines, see the approaching majestic mountains, etc.

While there has been opposition for what some say are environmental reasons, the greatest impact on our resources has been the massive influx of new residents to our islands (i.e., people, animals, etc.) which no one seems to be able to slow down per our United States constitution. Thus, I highly recommend that you place your support behind this mode of transportation as an option to people, businesses, etc. especially as welcome support in times of disasters which we occasionally face as an island state.

Mahalo Nui Loa,

Joanna Peter

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**Subject:** I strongly support the ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Lawrence Dolan. I strongly approve of and support the Hawaii Superferry and it's service to our islands. I will not be able to be present for the hearing. I live on Kauai and do not have enough time to fly to Oahu.

sincerely,

Lawrence R. Dolan

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**Subject:** Support of Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Mary L. Ridlon and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I have been a travel agent in Oklahoma selling Hawaii for 29 years. The interest in the Superferry from clients wishing and planning to visit Hawaii is intense. The Superferry should be given a chance to impact tourism in a positive way and to show that it will operate responsibly.

Mary L. Ridlon, 6836 S. 30th W. Ave., Tulsa, OK 74132-1733, (918)446-2693

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**From:** CHARLES ST. LOUIS [cstlouis@queens.org]  
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**Subject:** superferry

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**Subject:** Super Ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My Name is John Francis Gallipeau a life long resident and voter in Hawaii. I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I know that many have protested this vessel being able to operate in Hawaii while and EIS is being performed. My advise to them is do not ride it. Stay home. I have watched all of the public hearings and I was amazed of some of the things some people have said. One woman in Kauai saying they will put their lives on line to stop the ferry from entering their, repeat, THEIR land. I have lived on Kauai and have family there and I thought all the islands were a part of Hawaii. I have listened to locals with European names saying they have lived (family) on Maui for two thousand years. wow.... I need to go back to school as I was under the opinion there were no one here then. And I have listened to those in Kona. My land. Their land. Not one said our land. And since my birth I thought this land was our land.

Hawaii needs this ferry. We need it for many reasons and not like some have said, it is for the Military. Sure, maybe the Military will put some vehicles on it. So what. They will pay just like anyone else. But if not for the money the Military brings to this state I am sure we would be bankrupt. We would not be able to have the things we have as we have no employment to speak of. Tourism yes but industry, well that leaves a lot to be desired.

We need this ferry to provide another means of transportation. And if you are going to require the vehicles being put on the ferry to be washed then you should also require Young Brothers to do the same. After all, it is the same dirt going from one place to the other.

We the majority of the residents in this State want this ferry to operate. Why should HEI using environmentalists groups try and prevent this from happening. They all say the ferry will kill the whales. Well the ferry has made a couple trips, did they kill any whales? And how can those protestors know the future? How do they know the ferry will kill the whales? Yes, they have a right to protest but they should know their facts first. I have a small fishing boat. I have made many trips from Hilo to Maui and to Oahu and also to Kauai. I have never run over a whale. Seen many but we both have stayed out of each others way.

I pray that you will pass this bill and allow the ferry to operate.

Thank you.

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**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Super Ferry Testimony

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Dana Jordan and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

This is an invaluable service to both the tourism and the residents of the Hawaiian Islands. The Hawaii Superferry would greatly benefit the state of Hawaii. Clients and residents alike will benefit from this due to the fact that they won't have to fly from island to island. I urge you to reconsider keeping the Hawaii Super ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is F. Kevin Aucello and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Hawaii Superferry will provide a great benefit to Hawaii residents and small business owners by providing economical inter-island transport.

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**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Don Albrecht and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. The Superferry will give Hawaiians options on travel between the islands at a reasonable price. As a whole, our state will lose millions in revenue if the ferry is not allowed to run. Tourism is going to suffer if not already from the media attention in other states and countries. We now have a chance to travel between the islands other than flying at a much lower fare than on a cruise ship.

Mahalo,  
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**Subject:** (no subject)

IM IN FAVOR OF THE SUPERFERRY VERY MUCH. THERE IS NO BETTER WAY TO SEE THE ISLANDS IF YOU HAVE A FEAR OF FLYING. KIM VOTROUBEK 5130 WOODLAND CT. DAVENPORT,IA. 52807 563-344-4898  
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**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** appreciating OAHU (yay Superferry!)

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *JANE EARLE-DABROWSKI* and I very strongly support Hawaii Superferry. There needs to be viable maritime communication between the islands for the residents of the whole state. Despite the Kauai and Maui vocal minority against this mode of transportation, I sincerely think that many many people from those islands would like to travel to Oahu and see and experience, in their own family car, what **WE** have to offer to **THEM: the Bishop Museum, the Honolulu Academy of Arts, the events at the Blaisdell center concert hall and arena, the Mission House museums, the Contemporary Gallery, First Night, the games at the stadium and Stan Sheriff, the Hawaiian Adventures waterpark, the Waikele shopping malls, the beautified torch-lit Kalakaua Avenue etc etc plus.....** all the natural beauty that our island has!!! The ferry will enable THEM to better appreciate US, a fact that is sorely needed to be mentioned at this time.  
Mahalo

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**From:** Hlbear808@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:13 AM  
**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** SUPERFERRY TESTIMONY

TO ALL HOUSE AND SENATE MEMBERS,

IT IS NOW TIME TO STOP PLAYING POLITICS AND START DOING YOUR JOB REPRESENTING THE WANT AND NEED OF THE PEOPLE.

THE POLLS SHOW THAT 85% OF THE PEOPLE IN HAWAII WANT THE SUPERFERRY. DOES THAT NOT TELL YOU SOMETHING.

THINGS LIKE THIS SHOULD NOT BE HAPPENING AT THE LAST MINUTE. WE LOOK LIKE A BUNCH OF AMATEURS TO THE REST OF THE COUNTRY. THIS SHOULD HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED A LONG TIME AGO. THERE SHOULD BE A DEADLINE ON THESE TYPES OF PROTEST AND NOT LET THEM WAIT TO THE LAST MINUTE AFTER A LOT OF TIME AND MONEY HAS ALREADY BEEN SPENT.

YOU'RE LETTING THE SMALL MINORITY CAUSE A LARGE PROBLEM IN AN ELECTION YEAR TO BOOT. FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND A LOT OF THESE PEOPLE IN THIS MINORITY ARE NOT FROM HAWAII.

NOW IS THE TIME TO REPRESENT THE PEOPLE OF HAWAII AND NOT BE A POLITICIAN

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**From:** Nae'ole 'Ohana [naeolehui@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:13 AM  
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**Subject:** I support the Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Tiffany Naeole and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I feel that the Superferry will help all Hawaii residents. The long term effects will be positive in that our economy will grow and produce much needed jobs on the outer islands by providing an alternative to costly shipping of supplies and goods.

Mahalo,

Tiffany Naeole

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**From:** Aloha Charlie [alohacharlie@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:11 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** We need the superferry

My name is Charlie Hazelton and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The ferry personally could have helped me in my recent move from Oahu to the Big Island (if it was running here already). To get here, I had to turn in my vehicle 4 days prior to my departure. Which left me with no vehicle during a very difficult period. I had no ride back from the harbor and no ride to the airport (4 days later). When I arrived on the big Island I had no vehicle So I got a taxi to a rental agency. Had that car for 2 days. Then had to hassle with returning the car and getting to the harbor. If there had been ferry service, I could have kept my car until the day I left, had my car when I arrived and I could have packed pillows and an air mattress, since my cargo container didn't arrive until 5 days after I arrived on the Big Island. Why should we be forced to jump through so many hoops when there is an easy solution. We need this ferry.

I moved to Hawaii 2 years ago and I am already disappointed with the inaccessibility of this state. Hawaii is not 8 different states, it is one state and I should be able to travel across it and explore it with more ease. The Superferry will give me that opportunity. Hawaii is full of tourists but it also has millions of American voters that should have the same rights and advantages as other Americans living in other states. Imagine if the people living on Staten Island in New York had there bridges and the ferry taken away. They would be stuck on that island, isolated from the rest of the state with flight being their only way off. Or imagine if you live in Southern California and you want to explore Northern California but you are told you have to fly there because the roads can not be traveled, lets say for environmental reasons. The people in those states and all states have had roads and bridges built at taxpayers expense to connect them to the rest of their state. If the state is not going to build bridges in Hawaii then we should be given an alternative. The government should have provided the state of Hawaii with bridges or a ferry many years ago. With that said, as a minimum, the government should be behind this company which is providing us the opportunities that was the governments obligation.

I am sure environmental issued could have been raised with the building of every bridge in America and yet the bridges were built. The Superferry is Hawaii's bridge. We need a bridge so please don't take it away. Helping the superferry isn't helping one company, it is helping millions of Americans.

Sincerely,

Charlie Hazelton

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Rachel Simon* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

We need positive alternatives here in our Island State. It is time to move forward, time for change, and time for positive options for travel inter-island. The Superferry is good for Hawaii. Good for business and good for it's people.

Save the Superferry!

Rachel Simon

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Milton Parks, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Hawaii Superferry is something we need in this state to help sustain our everyday life and not have to rely on just barge companies and airlines to move us and our goods from one island to another. I believe that we supporters are the majority in this matter and our representatives should be listening closely to what we are saying.

Yes, there should be cautions and controls on what, when, where, and how the Hawaii Superferry operates, but within reason for both the environmental and safety issues. It is ridiculous to totally shut down the operation of the Hawaii Superferry during an EIS, considering what they already have in place to safeguard environment and safety during operations.

I pray that the correct and right decisions are made on this matter, and we move forward and let the Hawaii Superferry operate. And I thank all our representatives for their consideration and hard work on these matters.

Mahalo for your time and service to this great state.

Sincerely,  
Milton E. Parks  
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Karen M. Bird and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to provide to the residents of Hawaii the transportation to take trips to other islands in OUR state. The fact that Kauai and Maui are protesting residents visiting their island is absurd and certainly unfair. We live in this state and should be allowed to visit the other islands to see what they offer. As a mother of 2 small children, the Superferry provides us the means to travel interisland without having to carry car seats on a airplane, thus making our traveling much easier. Hawaii needs the Superferry!!!!

Karen M. Bird, 728 Murray Drive, Honolulu, Hawaii 96818

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *[Donald Kaiahua III]* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*[I feel that the Hawaii Super Ferry will be a great addition to Hawaii's tourism and economy. I believe that the HSF would'nt have started business without trying to learn of our life style and our natural beauty. This would also be a lot easier for us that have family and friends on other islands without having to get the finacial drama of hotel and car. Again I fully support what HSF is offering and I feel that they will be a great addition to our Hawaiian Islands.]*

*Mahalo and Have a great day,*

Donald Kaiahua

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**From:** Dana Jones [woolwahine@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:13 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Hawaii Super Ferry

Dear Powers that Be:

As a resident and business owner in Hawaii I strongly support the sailing of the Hawaii Super Ferry to be permitted during the time frame that an EIS is conducted.

I do feel that the Hawaii Super Ferry owners have made every effort to meet environmental concerns within our beautiful Islands. I also agree that in order for this service to be accepted by all parties that an EIS should be conducted, but not at the cost of losing such an important newcomer and service provider to Hawaii.

I belong to and volunteer for NOAA so the whales and all the creatures in our waters are not something I wish to see harmed. However, ferries are utilized all over the world. I have not heard of fatal collisions with marine animals being reported.

I also do not think that a fair and equal assessment towards the Super Ferry is being conducted. Young Brothers is currently getting ready to launch 4 - 340' container ships into our waters. Approximately the same size as the Super Ferry and with much more damaging prop systems, etc.

Where are the peoples' concerns when something like this happens without any kind of EIS or EIA being conducted?

Please consider that about 90% of the people of Hawaii want to see this service go into effect. I'm beginning to think the other 10% are the ones that care more about their personal agendas than for the good of the Islands as a whole. The threat to break the law and cause harm to people traveling on the ferry is of great concern, but should not be the reason for rejecting or utilizing such a much needed service.

Mahalo for all the extra time and efforts you are putting into protecting our environment and rights as citizens of Hawaii. I pray for a positive outcome for all.

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**From:** Ecsails@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:13 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

I have lived in Hawaii for over 15 years, and one of the most inhibating reasons for travel inter-island is the cost and inconvenience to fly.

In all my travels all ocer the world the ferry is the mode of choice for Island cultures. It premotes more travel and commerce advantages than flying.

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**From:** Kyle [butchie121@hawaiiantel.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:14 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

**Importance:** High

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I Kyle Kamikawa is in total support of the Superferry as a alternate mode of transportation.

Kyle Kamikawa

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**From:** Kimo Rosen [jrsensei@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:13 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** let the ferry run....

Senator hooser should be ashamed in his actions. He is a former business man and knowsj ow hard it is to run a business in this state.

If the superferry nees an EISwe cannot require them and not other modes of transportation, inclusive of cruise ships, cargo vessels, airplanes automobiles and all moving vehicles.

To equire an EIS for the superferry we would need to require the same for all,and before long we would be back in the 19th century, then how would we be able to send emails to testify. Let the ferry run!

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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,*

*Angel Kauanoë Kaio*

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**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:14 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Cc:** JANAOLDEN@aol.com; Holdenhawaii@aol.com  
**Subject:** In Support of the Super Ferry

Dear House;

I am adamantly in favor of the Super Ferry. Presently, we have no conveyance, (trans-water), of passengers who wish to visit the neighbor islands from Honolulu and vise/versa . This gives individuals the opportunity to travel by ferry rather than by air. This addresses the needs of the people who may be fearful of flying or physically / medically incapable of flying, or who may need to transport equipment and / or vehicles to the neighbor islands at a reasonable cost. Tugboats with barges in tow, and private pleasure vessels presently ply these waters with little or no adverse environmental impact. Why can't the Super Ferry operate in the same manner? Please vote in favor of the Super Ferry. **It is best for the people of Hawaii and its economy.** Thank you.

Aloha,

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**From:** Kathi Meechan [KathiM@halmskimchee.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:06 AM  
**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** FW: Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Kathi L. H. Meechan and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

This is an opportunity for the State of Hawaii to not only provide another means of transportation interisland, but an innovative and useful means of transportation for both personal and industrial use in Hawaii.

I know that personally, I would love to see this possible because I have a brother that lives in Kona, who refuses to fly interisland, for personal reasons, however loves the ocean and would be much more open to visiting Oahu and the other islands if the ferry is available. My husband also travels interisland for his business and it would be so helpful if he could take his vehicle rather than have to rent vehicles.

Please fight for the majority – as people that live and work in Hawaii, many of us are unable to go down to the legislature and picket or demonstrate as we have families that depend on us. We have bills and taxes to pay, however we depend on our representatives to do just that – represent us and do what is best for us and our economy. The environmental concerns for many, are just an issue for those who have little more to do – if they were working, effective members of our community, they would be more inclined to stand behind something that would help our economy and our people. We are all tiring of their verbal abuse. Let us see what happens environmentally, and if a problem arises, we will then have a viable concern to deal with.

Mahalo for all that you have done and hopefully will continue to do in the best interest of the State of Hawaii.

*Sincerely,*

*Kathi L. H. Meechan*

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**From:** Cathleen Smith [houseplantharmony@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:08 AM  
**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Pro Superferry and Environmentalism

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Cathleen Smith of Kaneohe, Oahu and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. The need for reliable transportation beyond air travel between the islands should be obvious. There must be a way to protect the environment and have the SuperFerry. This should not have to be an either or debate. No one wants to kill whales! Fix the environmental problems.

As for those that just want the islands to be left alone.....Captain Cook determined that many years ago. Isolation is not the answer. Preserve the culture! Celebrate the language. I have my Irish citizenship as well as US. I do know what it is like to be of an island nation that wishes to preserve culture. Yet- Ireland is also called the Celtic Tiger. You can have prosperity and culture. They are not mutually exclusive!

Don't give up on the SuperFerry or Hawaiian ways!

Cathleen Smith

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**From:** Diane Matsui [dmatsui@asbhawaii.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:04 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** RE: Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Diane Matsui and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*I strongly support the Superferry to build our economy, to help when disaster's hit and to be able to see family and friends more often.*

*Diane Matsui*

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**From:** Robert Westervelt [Robert.Westervelt@hawaiiantel.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:07 AM  
**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Cc:** Robert Westervelt  
**Subject:** Support for Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Robert Westervelt* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*The Hawaii Superferry will provide an alternative travel option over flying and will provide much need options for businesses that need to send materials and vehicles to support the neighbor islands. I am looking forward to being able to take a neighbor island vacation and use my own vehicle.*

*I do not believe that all the talk regarding increased drug trafficking and invasive species is really an issue (more of an excuse). We should allow the Hawaii Superferry to commence their operations while the EIS is completed with minimal restrictions.*

*Mahalo for you time in working through this issue.*

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**From:** Jerry Lynch [jerrylynch@mac.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:09 AM  
**To:** hsewrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Superferry

We need the superferry and will be counting on you to vote FOR it.

Aloha,  
Jerry

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**From:** Don Maxwell [donmaxwell@hawaii.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 29, 2007 10:12 AM  
**To:** hswrittenonlysbtestimony  
**Subject:** Save The SuperFerry

Please work out a solution for the SuperFerry to operate. Hawaii needs this transportation option, and it seems very clear that the overwhelming majority of Hawaii residents want to see the SuperFerry in operation.

Please don't let a vocal minority rule on this issue! Not only is the SuperFerry needed for local residents, Hawaii needs to show a willingness to be friendly to business---not send the message that we don't like business or progress.

Thank you,

Don Maxwell