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Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:32 AM
To: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Superferry testimony

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance
DATE: Monday, October 29, 2007
TIME: 1:30 p.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Eric Mitchell* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I'm an active farmer/processor/shipper on Oahu, Maui, and Hawaii. I am also former Farm Bureau State Chairman of the Vegetable Crop Committee.

I see positive activities resulting from using the Superferry as a means of transportation. I ship on both Aloha and Young Bros but with limited success. Today's concerns for food-safety has forced me to take control of the cold-chain that my product demands. The Superferry is the **only** means that will allow me to take my refrigerated truck from island to island and protect the product's cold-chain.

Thank you for your support on this issue.

Eric Mitchell

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is RICK VIESCAS and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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From: Roberto [hawaii88@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:31 AM
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Subject: The Majority of Maui Residents Support The Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Robert Cheng and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

I travel to Maui once a week for personal matters, and every Maui resident that I've spoken to also supports the Superferry. I have found that the majority of the Maui population desires to have the valuable ferry service to/from Oahu. The resistance to having the ferry is only represented by a small minority of people. Namely, the special interests groups, such as the Sierra Club, Maui Tomorrow, and the Kahului Harbor Coalition.

I reside on Oahu, but leave one vehicle in Maui. Because of this curiosity, many Maui residents have brought up the Superferry topic and commented on their support. This is not merely my opinion or perception, but a reality based on a multitude of comments by Maui residents and business owners.

The Superferry to/from Oahu/Maui is a desperately needed service, and I urge the House Committees to consider the greater good of the people.

Sincerely,
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From: Terri Eismann [eismann@hawaii.edu]
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Terri Eismann and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Terri Eismann
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From: Gary Post [garygnu5291@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:31 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Super Ferry I support it.

I live on the Big Island and I fully support the Super Ferry.

This will provide a much needed service for all island residents to travel between islands without having to fly. There are a number of individuals who are uncomfortable flying.

I once experienced a trip on a "super ferry" from England to Holland. I was more than just a means of transportation, it was fun and relaxing.

Please vote to support Hawaii's Super Ferry.

Gary Post R (S)
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From: Dawn Akana [kuriharc@byuh.edu]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:25 AM
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Subject: Support Super Ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Dawn K. Akana* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I feel the restriction that is being impose on the Super Ferry would then need to be impose on ALL transporting vehicle (airplane, cargo ships, cruise ships, fishing vessels) which then become unrealistic. The Super ferry gives us the people of Hawaii another avenue of transporting and emergency access. Support the people who put you in office – by our voice and not the power of a small but loud minority or big company operators for political gains.

Sincerely,

Dawn K. Akana

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

The Superferry will provide accessible, cost effective transportation between islands and will be particularly useful for transaction of business and access for handicapped or disabled persons. Based on the guidelines already in effect for the Superferry, systems are already in place for appropriate and safe operation at sea. An EIS for the harbor improvements should have no bearing on vessel operations. An oversight task force would be appropriate to fairly monitor that the ferry complies with the operating guidelines already in effect.

Please allow the SuperFerry to operate - it will be a benefit to all of the residents, visitors and businesses in Hawaii.

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From: Cathy Owen [cathy@nanopointimaging.com]
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To: hswrittenonlysbttestimony
Subject: SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION -- Testimony in Favor of Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I, Cathy Owen, would like to express my support for permitting the Hawaii Superferry to conduct business while the environment impact statement is being prepared. It is my understanding that the Superferry met all of the conditions required by the State of Hawaii in order to successfully conduct their business. I am all for protecting Hawaii's environment but I believe the Hawaii Superferry has been singled out for the neighbor island hostility towards overdevelopment. Having alternative transportation modes between the islands is important to meet the needs and desires of all of the citizens of the State. I am extremely disappointed that the population of Kauai and Maui are so unwelcoming to the residents of Oahu unless we fly in on an environmentally-unfriendly airplane and rent one of their fuel-guzzling rental cars. I support the operation of the Hawaii Superferry for interisland transportation and interisland commerce for all State residents.

As the CEO of a local high tech company, I have personally experienced the difficulty in raising financing from investors outside of the State of Hawaii. In my recent trips to California and Washington to raise venture capital, I heard comments about the dispute "over the ferry" and the perceived lack of commitment to building a viable technology sector. The controversy over the Hawaii Superferry has negatively impacted my mainland fundraising efforts over the past few months. Even the most Hawaii-friendly venture capitalists are looking at our deals and suggesting we relocate the companies back to the mainland. I implore the House Representatives to weigh the impact to our economy and the future of our technology sector if the Hawaii Superferry is forced to move its operations to a more business-friendly location.

Sincerely,

Cathy Owen

Cathy Owen

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From: Aloha [elizaloha@yahoo.com]
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To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Elizabeth Ramirez* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I would like to see ways of transportation progress for the future. With one major company controlling shipping via boat inter-island, I feel that it is unfair to Hawaii residents. Not to mention, it would be great to be able to travel with items like spear guns for a weekend dive trip on a neighbor island in my own vehicle. Please let Hawaii SuperFerry live!

Aloha,

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From: Don Albrecht [hawaiiwoodturner@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 9:59 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Patricia Albrecht and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. 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. The news is out that Hawaii is losing it's "Aloha". The Superferry will give Hawaiians options on travel between the islands at a reasonable price. Please hear the voice of those who support the Superferry.

Mahalo,
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Dana Ritchie Fujikake and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry service is desirable progress.

As a Hawaii resident of over 50 years, I would like to have the options offered by the Hawaii Superferry service. My mother, a Hawaii resident of 86 years, traveled island-to-island by barge in the old days...she too, would like the options offered by the Superferry. As she is no longer ambulatory, this mode of transportation would be best suited for her needs.

EI surveys/evaluations must be ongoing for all transport in Hawaiian waters.

Aloha,

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Subject: SuperFerry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Jesse Espiritu and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

My parents are both physically handicapped. Traveling by plane is very uncomfortable and costly. A service such as the SuperFerry is needed to accommodate our physically challenged community.

Jesse Espiritu

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From: Steven Thompson [sthompson@construction-r-us.net]
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Subject: SB 1, SD 1 - SUPERFERRY!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Steven C. Thompson* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the Superferry so I can travel among other islands more easily! I do not intend to rape and pilage Maui, Kauai, or the big island. Some of the conditions that are subject to being imposed on the Superferry need to be overseen by an impartial committee. Please let the Superferry sail. We do not want to lose this great resource for the people of Hawaii. LET THE SUPERFERRY SAIL! Thank you!

Steven Thompson
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From: Sally Armstrong [sallyarmstrong@mac.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:38 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Support

I **support** the Hawaii Super Ferry. It will be good for business and for local travel. I feel the Super Ferry will take every effort to protect the whales and the environment.

Sally Armstrong
Kauai

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From: Marsha Stern [sternjm@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:40 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Superferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. It offers an alternate form of transportation and will allow more travel between our islands, particularly for those with family on those islands.

My read between the lines is that the local airlines and the rental car companies are behind some of the resistance by outer islanders and by some legislatures. It's called "protecting local businesses against those mainlander intruders". Aren't you and your cohorts at all ashamed of the way you pander to local interests?

Then there's the potential for a massive lawsuit by the Superferry owners against the State of Hawaii. And who will ultimately pay for this??? Why, we the people, of course. I, for one, would then want to participate in a class-action lawsuit against our government for creating this fiasco. I'm sure there are attorneys in this town who would consider such a case. There are always attorneys who will consider any case.

Sincerely yours,

Marsha Stern

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From: Pat Sensano [psensano@gmail.com]
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Patricio M. Sensano Jr. and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support what the super ferry is planning for the citizens, communities, organizations and businesses of Hawaii and feel that the majority of Hawaii's people are saying the same. One reason is that it gives me and my family another option besides the airline companies to travel inter-island, with the convenience to bring our own vehicles. Our primary use of the Ferry would be to visit our families or attend outer island events that we wouldn't normally attend. I would also assume that it would tremendously benefit organizations around the state. For example high schools, colleges, church groups, businesses and other organizations.

I fully understand what the opposition of the super ferry are saying and agree that an EIS is needed, but in the meantime we cannot let this opportunity pass us by without giving the super ferry a chance.

Sincerely,

Patricio M. Sensano Jr.

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From: WilkBooks [wilkins@hawaii.rr.com]
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To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Super Ferry

The majority of the people in Hawaii want to see the Super Ferry in operation as soon as possible. Please don't listen to the loud mouth minority represented by the Sierra Club. How much money has Hawaii Airlines given them? Lets do right for the people of Hawaii not the whales. It is highly doubtful that any whales will be killed anyways. What would Washington State and Alaska do without their ferries. I'm sure they never had to go through an environment evaluation study.

Richard Pultz, 305 Poopoo Place, Kailua, HI 96734

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From: Malia [nalukauai@tmail.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:05 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Re: support superferry

Dear Chair Souki and Oshiro

Aloha, my name is Angenette M Molina

I am writing this letter to all of you to listen to my testimony.

I want to have a superferry business to keep on running. The reason it should be fair because look at the other business such as Pride of Aloha, Independence, etc travels islands to islands. I want superferry because I want my car or pet to travel to Oahu, Maui, Kauai, and Big Island for enjoyment and fun things to do. I strongly support superferry because at first they were successful. Please keep it running and be fair.

Mahalo,

Angenette M Molina

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Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:01 AM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Joan Wood Fleming and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I think it is appalling that our State government, which is supposed to represent the wishes of the majority of Hawaii's residents, would let a vocal and belligerent minority of not-in-my-backyard types sink a service that will benefit all of us. We need choices of transportation between islands, and we should not single out one carrier for restrictions the others are not required to have.

Joan Wood Fleming

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From: Cwvannatta@aol.com
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:41 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Support of Superferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

I, Cynde Vannatta, support the Hawaii Superferry.

I believe the benefits of the Superferry to locals and visitors far out weigh any possible environmental impacts. If environmental impact is the concern, the cruise ships and container ships should also be required to complete Environmental Impact Statements.

This whole debacle is an embarrassment to the people of Hawaii and our government and needs to be corrected immediately.

Thank you,

Cynde Vannatta
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Deborah Buehler and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am one of many Big Island residents that want to see the Superferry move forward and provide a much needed service that will improve the lives of all residents both economically and socially. Economically, this will give all businesses and consumers access to a broader market, expand available goods and lower costs. The Superferry will also bring about affordable inter-island travel and strengthen tourism from residents and abroad. Socially, all of Hawaii stands to gain from lower cost of living and expanding their leisure. The Superferry will help with the quality of life here in Hawaii. Please allow the Superferry to operate while the EIS is being conducted. Losing the Superferry will be a lost opportunity to do something good for the state.

Sincerely,

Deborah Buehler

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From: Bob Sabatini [mailto:bob@choicefencehawaii.com]
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To: 'HouseRecord@Capitol.hawaii.gov'
Subject: Superferry

To House of Representatives

I Robert Sabatini, as a business man and resident of the State of Hawaii, not the state of Oahu, firmly support the addition of the superferry to our infrastructure. We are supposedly all residents of one state, albeit segregated by water, free to come and go without hinderence. The only concern I can agree with is some type of procedure to mitigate any damage to the marine animals. I request on this 24th day of October, 2007 to be acknowledged in support of the superferry. I will not be attending the hearing.

Aloha, Robert Sabatini

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From: kchang45@comcast.net
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:35 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: SB 1, SD 1 Relating to Transportation

To the Chairpersons:

I am writing to you today to support the Hawaii Superferry as a viable business in Hawaii. Although I am not currently a resident of Hawaii, all of my family resides on 1 or more of the Hawaiian Islands. I believe that the Hawaii Superferry provides a different type of service (versus air transportation) to the islands. Local residents and tourists can enjoy the quality service on-board and the open ocean as well as have the opportunity to take their automobiles with them. My family is in support of the Hawaii Superferry and would all choose to travel via the Superferry. The Hawaii Superferry has already provided a valid statement of its assessment of the environmental impact and has ensured that it will serve to protect the marine environment within the state.

For the reasons above, I support the operation of the Hawaii Superferry.

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From: mkualoa@aol.com
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:41 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Suoerferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Michael Malsie and I strongly support the Superferry. We need alternative inter-island transportation.

Thank You

Michael Malsie
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Stephanie Souza and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the Superferry. It will be good for all the islands, and bring increased economic growth.

The people that now have an issue with Superferry, shouldn't have a say now. For years and years we knew it was coming. Why didn't people speak up then.

Also there are so many other ships (cruise, military, recreation, etc). It makes you wonder if it is a ploy by some entity (airlines) that are trying to stir up the opposition because it wouldn't benefit their particular business.

The Superferry should be allowed to do business, just like other ships/boats that use the waters.

There definately should be some regulations in place to protect our environment, but it should be a blanket regulations for all water craft not just one singled out Ferry.

Mahalo,

Stephanie Souza

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From: art musso [artmusso@hotmail.com]
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aloha sirs

me and my wife are both in favor of the super ferry operating, before durring and after an enviromental statement is done. i could not make it 2 testify in peson as im at work .

thank you

art and yumiko musso

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To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: HAWAII SUPERFERRY

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Charlene Arita and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Last Saturday, I attended a movie August Rush at the HIFF and after the movie the audience was bused to the Superferry for a closing of the HIFF celebration. Was very impressed with the hospitality of the crew, the spaciousness/beauty of the vessel, and of course the pupus/drinks provided.

I feel the Superferry as an alternate mode of transportation to the outer islands would be most beneficial for the people of Hawaii and tourists. Please continue to press on and work hard to make the Superferry a part of living in Hawaii.

Sincerely,

CHARLENE ARITA

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222-6171

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Irene Viernes and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I suffer from panic attacks and cannot fly on airplanes because I had an episode on a flight 18 years ago. Imagine, I used to fly every year to different continents, meeting new people and experiencing new cultures.

My Doctor has me on medication and it has controlled the attacks however, I am still terrified to get on a plane. I did fly to Kauai about 2 years ago but, I was heavily medicated and can't really remember the trip. Other than that, I have not left the island of Oahu which is so sad.

If the Superferry were in operation, I would travel to the neighbor islands and have a real vacation. Maybe someday, the Superferry would make trips to the Mainland, then I could go to Las Vegas (wishful thinking).

It would be a great loss if the Superferry were not allowed to operate in Hawaii. I believe the negativity is against the people of Oahu and their cars and not an environmental issue at all. I truly believe that if King Kamehameha or Queen Lilioukalani were alive today and were passengers aboard the Superferry, the people on Kauai and Maui would not stop them from disembarking from the ferry. They would welcome them with open arms and gracious hospitality. That is why something has to be done to make things better for all of the people and not cave in to those few people who are opposing the Superferry.

Do the right thing. Thank you for listening.

Sincerely,

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Myra Kaneko* and **I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.**

Hawaii's economy needs whatever it can get to increase it's revenue for the state. Why not give THE MAJORITY of island residence as well as it's visitors the option to support our economy. It's too bad that the few rule the majority. What an even bigger tax impact for the citizens should the Superferry not be able to operate.

Myra Kaneko

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Carolyn C.P. Alameida and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry will allow local people the opportunity to travel between islands with ease. I am excited to be able to board the ship, with my car, and travel around the outer islands. It is a beautiful ship and the environmental needs, in my opinion, have been met.

Carolyn C.P. Alameida
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From: Leinweber, Sue at PROP_MAUI [sleinweber@abprop.com]
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To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Testimony

I wish to make my voice heard in favor of the superferry. I am among those silent majority of working people here on Maui who are not heard over the clamor of those special interest environmentalists who have been very vocal. There is a need for an alternative transportation to and from the outer islands that the superferry will provide.

Please do not think that the majority of outer island people are radical "nuts" that you hear about. Most of us are thoughtful, hard working people who support thoughtful expansion of transportation. The reasons used for stopping the superferry are not even worthy of comment. A thinking person can not even entertain the ridiculous claims.

Please do the right thing for the majority of Hawaiians and let the superferry run.

Thank you,

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Gregory Siok* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

My wife and I have been looking forward to the SuperFerry service for a long time. We love to travel between the islands and to take our children to the special places that each island offers – the canyons on Kauai, the volcano on the Big Island and to the Grand Wailea on Maui, the kids love their pool. It would be very convenient to travel with our own vehicle on some of our future ventures. We also see that people who relocate from one island to another could move their households with much greater ease with ferry service. We would love to have more locally grown produce available to residents of different islands. Tourists who come to Hawaii would have another alternative for island-hopping and ferry service would be especially nice for people, like my sister, who are afraid to fly on planes.

As a business person, I am concerned about the SuperFerry being blocked from starting service after being assured by the state that all was in order as the company progressed toward the start of their service. I am concerned about how this was handled, in general, but at this point we need to execute damage control by allowing the ferry to begin service while the environmental assessment is being done. You cannot give a business the green light and after they invest tons of money into the project, then turn around and tell them to hold off for months and months because at the ninth hour some entity intervened and asked for an environmental review.

We are where we are, let's make the best of this situation and get the ferry up and running as quickly as possible.

Greg & Cindy Siok
Kailua, HI

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

Our names are LARRY E. LAMBERTH and ADDIE L. LAMBERTH and WE strongly support Hawaii Superferry and any legislation necessary for the service to be implemented as soon as possible.

We have no affiliations with organizations or companies associated with the Superferry project.

After living in Hawaii for almost 30 years, we believe that Inter-Island travel is suffering and very expensive. As such, this service would provide cost effective, reliable transportation for the RESIDENTS of HAWAII to go between the Islands and make it easier and less expensive to have transportation during their family and business visits.

We also believe there would be no negative environmental impact and could increase employment on the outer islands. After all, Cruise Ships and other maritime vessels visit the outer Island harbors regularly.

Although we moved last year, we still believe the Superferry to be in the best interest of the people of Hawaii.

Thank you for your consideration.

Larry E. Lamberth and Addie L. Lamberth
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From: Dave Cadiz [dave@cis.bz]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:23 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Strongly Support of Super ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *David Cadiz* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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From: Bruce [ubergeektoo@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:46 AM
To: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Cc: 'Hawaii Superferry'
Subject: Testimony on SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Bruce Baxter and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

All political conflict is about money. Let's get past whose ox is being gored and focus on what would benefit the people of the State of Hawaii.

- The Superferry will provide expanded markets for small farmers, craftspeople and retailers by enabling less-expensive interisland distribution. The traditional shipping providers may choose to participate in this revolution, but they'll need to diversify their shipping options (and prices).
- Hawaii's climate and favorable tax treatment of agriculture has long favored agribusiness - big sugar and big pineapple. The Superferry will encourage local small farmers to expand their markets to include neighbor islands. The result will be greater choice and fresher produce for Hawaii's population. And since the inter-island 'shipping cartel' may not be involved, the small grower will be able to keep a larger share of his products' retail price.
- Despite fears of the car rental industry, an analysis of rental fees v. personal car usage shows that unless an other-island stay exceeds 4 days, air travel and car rentals remain the cheaper and more convenient alternative.
- The Visitor Industry will be able to offer new products and services that take advantage of the Superferry, providing new attractions for both east- and west-bound visitors.

On a personal level, I plan on taking advantage of the Superferry to make week+ long visits to Maui and Kauai, and to the Big Island once that route becomes available.

I'm sure that there are others like myself - tradespeople who will be able to take their tools and materials, craftspeople who will be able to take their products to larger markets, entertainers who will be able to take their stage equipment inter-island, and others who are restricted currently by the expense and delay of shipping material inter-island.

Say yes to the small entrepreneur. Allow our other-island brethren opportunities to extend and expand their businesses.

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From: Kimo [kimo@3dguys.com]
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To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Testimony Hawaii Superferry

About the Superferry issue.

The Superferry is here, 99% of the work has been accomplished and now there is a decision point? It is a boat not a nuke plant so let it survive please. I have spent 8 years in the ship building industry, there are no major environmental issues created by the Superferry that I can see based on my time building and repairing vessels of this sort.

Hawaii will have a black eye permanently from this issue if the lawmakers handle this wrong from this point on. It is as if someone set you guys up to pass a test and I wouldn't want to be "You" after the Superferry fails. The radicals will sink back into the trees and beaches because they are not mainstream Hawaii.

I am a "High Tech" businessman who has been in front of the Hawaii Investors group a couple of times to bring High Tech industry to Hawaii, I will paying very close attention to how this turns out and I will likely not encourage the investors either way (Superferry stays or goes) now that I have seen this lack of control with our government.

Hawaii is 20 years back in time and desperately need to get up to speed with our ways. Radicals should not be steering Hawaii.

Hawaii Superferry was the largest step I have seen in Hawaii in the 8 years I have lived on Maui and radicals are going to push our politicians around? That is a mistake by them but a larger mistake by you if you don't get reasonable allow the Superferry, it is part of the infrastructure in lieu of Highway on the mainland.

Ron & Rhonda Barranco

Maui

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From: John Montemayor [montemayorjohn@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:47 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Testimony in Support of Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is John Montemayor, born and raised on the Island of Kauai and I very strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

I feel that the people of Hawaii deserve an alternative method of transportation to commute inter-island, and now is probably the only time our lifetime that we, the local people of Hawaii will have an opportunity to receive such a viable service for all walks of life and even to aid our Hawaii business in the same degree to ship goods throughout Hawaii's four major islands.

I am also, if I may disclose, an employee on Kauai that is currently on furlough leave with the Hawaii Superferry. I am very concerned about Hawaii's environment, whales, invasive species and drug problems. My co-workers and I realize that the Hawaii Superferry company is also very concerned about these same subjects and we as employees will most definitely support our employer and feel very strongly that the Hawaii Superferry's commitment to serving our islands in a very environmentally friendly manner far exceeds other modes of water transportation already in existence.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit my testimony.

Sincerely,

John Montemayor
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To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Stacey Forges* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

It is absurd to watch this outlandish Superferry issue on the media. Furthermore it brings a total embarrassment to Hawaii politics and the local public that are in much need of this transportation system. I personally cannot accept that this new transportation system will shut down over some eccentric belief that a group holds. The Hawaii residents were looking forward in utilizing this new transportation system. Do what is right, do what is fair. We are heading into a future that will experience new technology, which should be an encouragement and not a demoralizing issue. Persons who object the Superferry are selfish and are doing it for personal and financial gain. Somebody re-think the EIS, make it effective and get rid of all the unnecessary obstacles. Secondly, when the protest first started, it was handled with pathetic decisions. How can a group of persons stop or delay something like this; I believe someone should make that clear to the rest of the Hawaii community.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I absolutely support a ferry system here in Hawaii. In my opinion it would help our commerce greatly. It would be to everyone's benefit to have an alternative to flying only between Islands. Ferry systems are successfully working all over the world, why should this state not enjoy the benefit. To me this looks like a win/win situation. I have experienced the ferry system in Washington and Alaska, and they have quite a bit more large animal species living in their ocean than here, we don't here about those large boats and ships running over the marine life. How many people were stuck on other Islands on 9-11-01?

I am a small buisness owner here since 1991, and have lived on 4 of the Islands, and have had work on Molokai. Lets get in the 21st century! Sincerely,

Niels P. Nielsen, 99 Kealohilani St. Kahului, Hi. 893-0275

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From: Marlayna Gomes [MGomes@TowneMaui.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:49 AM
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Subject: HAWAII SUPERFERRY!!!!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Marlayna Gomes* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I am a 31 year old Maui girl. Born and raised here. I have a household of 4 people which consists of myself, my husband and two children, ages 11 and 7.

My testimony is that the opponents of the Hawaii Superferry are being too resistant to change and are being unfair. If given a chance, I think at the end of the day, we can all realize the Hawaii Superferry will mostly benefit our people and our economy. I cannot speak for the other islands, but here on Maui, we already have the following vessels in operation on a weekly, daily and sometimes hourly time-frame:

- 1. Various cruise ships**
- 2. Barges (Matson/Young Brothers)**
- 3. Numerous whale-watch tours**
- 4. Numerous other ocean tours (Molokini, etc.)**
- 5. "Booze Cruises"**
- 6. The Molokai and Lanai Ferries**

Consider the above list and the individual advantages/benefits each one brings to

the residents of Hawaii (not tourists). Now think of the Hawaii Superferry and all the benefits IT can offer the people of Hawaii. They have so much more to offer us than all the rest!

You don't ever hear about the possible negative impact(s) to the environment caused by the above list of activities. None of them have ever been put under a microscope to the extent the Hawaii Superferry has.

What's more, so much tax dollars have already been put towards the massive improvements to the Kahului Harbor and surrounding infrastructure.

If nothing else, we at least owe the Hawaii Superferry a CHANCE! Whether they fail or succeed, it is unfair for us to impose all of these last minute demands upon them at the 11th hour. And we need to think logically: if we are serious about imposing these environmental impact statement and other demands on the Hawaii Superferry, then we should also impose it on EVERYONE listed above. Their impact is far greater to Maui's water(s) than the Hawaii Superferry ever will be. FAIR IS FAIR.

Marlayna Gomes

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From: Cheri Ambard [cheri1@ambard.com]
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Cheri Ambard* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Please allow the Super Ferry to run during the EIS. We really need another mode of transportation between the islands. If things run smoothly then wonderful another way to travel. If things go poorly then we will have at least tried it out. This way we will know for sure what impact a ferry will have instead of just wondering what a benefit or detriment would have been!!!

Aloha,

Cheri Ambard

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *[Mizuki Ogawa]* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

[I am in full support of plans to launch the SuperFerry in the Hawaiian islands. It is in the best interest of all concerned, as this innovative mode of transportation allows for further development of local agricultural products which will ultimately satisfy one of Hawaii's constitutional mandates. Awaiting approval of legal statements regarding environmental impact and other assessments should not delay plans to launch the Ferry.]

*[Mizuki Ogawa
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From: Matthew Bossenmeyer [boss1@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:45 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Hawaii Superferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry. I have friends and relatives on the outer islands and have been looking forward to the opportunity to visit them and bring along my own car via the new ferry system. I also feel that the superferry would be a huge benefit to commerce on all islands as an alternative way to carry on their business throughout the state.

Please vote to allow the Hawaii Superferry to operate prior to the completion of the EIS. In my opinion, the vast majority of Hawaii residents support the Hawaii Superferry. Please do not be influenced by the very vocal minority of extremists who oppose the Hawaii Superferry. We do not condone their actions and they do not speak for the rest of us.

Kathleen L. Bossenmeyer
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From: evernw@aol.com
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:50 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Opposition to the Superferry

Dear Legislators,

I oppose creating a special exemption for the Superferry. The legislature should not be overriding the judicial branch and should not be providing special favors for profit minded companies.

However, If this bill passes, at a minimum the bill should include a requirement **to show proof that the vehicle was washed**. It should also require the ferry to travel at a slower speed when going through whale breeding waters.

A complete investigation should also be conducted as to why the EIS was not required of the Superferry.

This fiasco is not only about the Superferry. It is also about the absolute failure of our elected officials to limit development and urbanization with no well thought out plan on how it will impact our future. You allow special interests to prevail over the public good. You are not doing enough to protect our precious environment. We are disgusted with your failure and look forward to doing something about this and getting you out of office.

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From: reelcom1@earthlink.net
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:19 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: SuperFerry YES

Aloha,

Our family loves the aina and we have come to believe that the Hawaii SuperFerry would be good stewards of the land and ocean if given the chance.

Please allow the HSF to sail while the EIS/EA is being done! We have come to far and INVESTED to much to turn back now. Those that are against the ferry have been given more then enough opportunity. The majority want the HSF to sail and so do me. It will provide a valuable transportation alternative. It also pollutes less than the jets that constantly fly back and forth... wanna cut down on air and noise pollution cut down on the number of flights.

LET THE FERRY SAIL!

Mahalo nui loa,

The McAuliffe Family
Kaneohe, Hawaii

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From: Pamela Tsuru [pamt@UHPA.org]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:43 AM
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Subject: SB1, SD1 Relating to Transportation - Testimony for the Record

Importance: High

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Pamela Tsuru* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

While I can understand the concerns expressed by our neighbor island citizens with regard to the safety of our marine life, I question why they never protested when Young Brothers, Matson, and other boats or cruise ships visited their islands? The Hawaii Superferry not only brings employment and income to those islands, but it allows those who cannot travel by air by way of a different vehicle.

There are many people who cannot sit for long periods of time, or they are confined to a wheelchair, or may even be bedridden and may require medical treatment on Oahu to either see a physician or go to a hospital. This would allow these people to travel without having the high cost of special arrangements. It would also be less costly for those who are too obese to sit on the interisland carriers unless they pay for two or more seats.

Please weigh the benefits the Superferry will have for many. Wasn't it only a few years ago that there was an outcry about the construction of H-3? This is the best thing that could've been done. It takes people from the Windward side about 15 minutes to get to the airport, and people visit the Windward side from the Leeward side more often due to the H-3. It is difficult for those who do not want to see progress and to keep the country, country. I believe the Superferry should not alter their lifestyles.

Your consideration is appreciated.

Aloha,

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SB 1, SD 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. (SD1)

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Carolynn Milner* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. This will provide alternate transportation for the state. My family and I look forward to visiting each other with the added ease of using our own vehicles. I can give them smoke meat and they can give me mango pies!

Aloha,

Carolynn Milner

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