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From: Danielle Mizuta [kohola@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 12:59 PM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: in support of the superferry

I believe with the proper accommodations, like brushing vehicle tires and shoes, and checking random vehicles for illegal items, the superferry can be a great asset to Hawaii and its people. Larger shipping companies who used to have a monopoly on this are not supposed to be strong arming you because they will lose business. I wish you all would make a decision and stop faltering, think of the greater good. You will NOT be able to please everyone, it is not reality. You will, however be able to prove to us skeptics that **you** who 'represent' **us**, can come together and make a decision, then if you want to make yourselves look even better, support whatever decision you've made and move on. I'm sure there are other issues at hand in need of your time besides just the superferry. As educated people, I urge you to use your brains and not your verbal brawn to get what you want, and make a decision for the state of Hawaii and us residents.

-Danielle M

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From: Hugh-Lela Gentry [gentrypro@earthlink.net]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 12:59 PM
To: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: SUPPORT FOR THE SUPERFERRY

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance
DATE: Monday, October 29, 2007
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SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Hugh Gentry and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the superferry because it allows for goods to be easily transported between the islands. It will be great for all businesses to have the choice of delivering certain goods that same day. I am a photographer & cameraman and I would love the opportunity to travel between the islands and bring my services to other people. It would be absolutely convenient to load my car with all my camera equipment and be able to do business on other islands. I won't have to worry about extra shipping or cargo charges that sometimes can be steep. I'm a small business owner and I always hope that the State of Hawaii finds ways to support the small businesses here!!

Hugh Gentry

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From: keiko nishiguchi [keikon@lava.net]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:00 PM
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Subject: Strongly Supporting Hawaii Superferry Operation during EIS!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Keiko Nishiguchi* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Hawaii Superferry must continue operation while the environmental assessment is being conducted.

My personal reason is that the interisland ferry service has been always my dream to enjoy our retired life in Hawaii and as U.S.Citizens we have a guaranteed right under our Constitution to visit our neighboring islands, whether it be Kauai, Maui or Hawaii, to equally enjoy their/our pretty landscapes whenever we want to visit by the Superferry which has really been a great achievement and a great asset to all our wonderful Hawaii citizens.

Let's not lose this Superferry to elsewhere, by allowing it to operate with no further delay, even during the environmental assessment is being conducted.

Please don't let Hawaii Superferry leave Hawaii at any cost and help Hawaii Superferry to stay in service with us all civilized Hawaiians, forever! Under God and our Constitution, no Kauai nor Maui people can discriminate us and prohibit us from visiting their islands, from Oahu.

Sincerely yours,

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From: David Every [every@visitormagazines.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:51 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: SuperFerry

To our Hawaii State Legislators,

Our company stands firmly behind the right of the Hawaii SuperFerry to operate during any environmental study as they have demonstrated good faith throughout the approval process and deserve the benefit of the doubt moving forward. Furthermore, other interisland modes of transportation have not been subjected to the same requirements. In the end, SuperFerry is a good idea to help diversify the way that Hawaii's families can get from island to island to visit or work. SuperFerry has been, from the beginning, above board in showing how they were going to help protect the whales and the environment. According to numerous media polls, the great majority of Hawaii's residents support allowing the SuperFerry to operate. I expect our Legislators to do the right thing and I will vote accordingly in our next election.

Mahalo nui loa,

David V. Every, Publisher

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is matthew cosco I am strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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From: Ralph Dobson [dobsonr001@hawaii.rr.com]
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Subject: Testimony in favor of the Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Ralph W Dobson* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry meets a need that has long been neglected in Hawaii: the ability to move easily from one island to another. Disabled people will be able to visit the other islands without the hassle when traveling by air. Schoolchildren will be able take a school bus with all the sports equipment they need to play against other schools in many sports. There are many other good reasons for the Superferry.

I believe the Superferry has procedures in place that will answer the many issues that their critics have raised.

Please pass this bill so we can put this horrible time behind us and move forward.

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From: HANAMAULU LIHUE [lihuemvm@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 12:43 PM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Support for Superferry

I Marlo Merano of 3920 Lawehana St. Lihue (Hanamaulu, Kauai) Hi 96766 support the superferry 100%. Please approve now.
Thank you.

Sincerely.

MARLO MERANO

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From: Ohana Kaneakua [kaneakuat001@hawaii.rr.com]
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Subject: Support for Super Ferry

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Dear chairs Souki and Oshiro:

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

Our family is originally from the island of Kaua'i, and still maintain a family residence there. We must travel to Kaua'i 4 to 5 times a year to do general repairs and upkeep on the property, and the time spent there is about two to three weeks. The ferry would afford us a more convenient and affordable means to travel between Oahu and Kaua'i.

sincerely,
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From: Ann Suan [ann_imal2003@yahoo.com]
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Angela Suan and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry will benefit not only the local people who reside amongst the Hawaii Islands Thank you-

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From: Bernie Tangalin [bnapua2@yahoo.com]
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Subject: Support of Superferry

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

Bernie Tangalin

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Clinton Ho and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I know it will benefit everyone in Hawaii. I cannot believe a handful of idiots can cause such a disruption in services for the super ferry. Sooner or later they will use it.

Clinton Ho

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Darryl Lee* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

For a Long time a Ferry system was needed here in these islands. The Time has come , do we take this opportunity and support the

Ferry or do we just lose it to the few noisy guys. I say Support it. We need it.

Darryl Lee

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Subject: Support Supperferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Donna Preitauer*, I speak for my entire family, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Pls. do what it take to get this done.

Kauai needs to share what is coming for the BEST MOVE of/for
Entire Hawaii State .

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From: Gbraylin@aol.com
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 12:52 PM
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Subject: hawaii superferry

I am totally for the Superferry. Because it will be another great way to travel from island to island. Go Superferry!!

Sincerely,
Gordon Lindsey

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From: Robb McCaffree [robb.mccaffree@fox.com]
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Subject: In support of the Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Robert J. McCaffree and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

As a former resident who visits the islands often, I am surprised that an inter-island ferry was not instituted a long time ago. Seeing that numerous, large cruise ships are allowed to ply the same waters for the benefit of tourists, why shouldn't kamainas be allowed all the benefits that the ferry would bring? I strongly feel that the Hawaii Superferry has erroneously become the focal point of some locals who see it as representative of change. But the Superferry will change nothing about the islands themselves...it will simply offer a pleasant alternative to those who already travel between them.

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From: Rick Shema [rick@weatherguy.com]
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To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Hawaii Superferry Hearing-Monday-Oct 29, 2007

Rick Shema

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before the

SENATE COMMITTEES:

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

Monday, October 29, 2007

State Capitol, Auditorium

1:30 PM

In consideration of

SB 1 and SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION AND HAWAII SUPERFERRY

Thank you for reading my testimony. I am the President of Weatherguy.com, a Hawaii-based business serving marine interests with meteorological and oceanographic services in Hawaii and worldwide. **I strongly support a Senate Bill 1 to allow the Hawaii Superferry service to operate while an environmental impact statement (EIS) is being conducted and urge your Committees to vote for its passage.**

We are at a critical juncture in our State's economic development. My company, and others, could grow in technical employment positions if the Hawaii Superferry were allowed to operate.

Nobody wants to see our environment harmed in any way, so I understand the opposing view to a certain extent. However, there is no hard data to support the opposing views claim that irreparable damage to the environment will occur or has occurred. Since the State has made an initial investment and the ship is ready to sail, it makes sense to let the ferry operate while the EA/EIS is being conducted. Environmental data collection supported by real time observations can be done while the ferry is operating. Then an educated determination for long term use can be made based on actual information and not perceptions. The real risks can be identified and weighed against potential benefits and an intelligent decision can be made.

Don't kill the service based on misperceptions and unsubstantiated fears. Give the Superferry a fighting chance to prove its value to Hawaii.

I urge you to pass this bill for economic development of Hawaii's future.

Thank you for listening.

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YES

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From: George Buck [george.buck@raymondjames.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 12:29 PM
To: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: aloha

aloha, just wanted to send this email in support of superferry. please dont allow a vocal minority an upperhand. the people of hawaii support the superferry in operation while an eis study is done. its just common sense to have another method of transportation around the islands other than flying. thanks george buck

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From: Kristy Funkley [kriskat_fun@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 12:31 PM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Kristy Funkley and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry would be an asset to the entire state of Hawaii for several reasons, of which I have listed some below:

- 1) It will provide an additional mode of transportation (especially for those who don't like to or can not fly so easily.*
- 2) Schools and produce can be transported easily without the need for airplanes and barges.*
- 3) Canoe clubs can transport their gear and rigs with ease.*
- 4) Residents and can travel to the outer islands with ease, as they will be able to take their own vehicles, as not to burden family and friends and congestion at the airport(s).*

I am sure there are many more logical reasons the state can use the ferry service, but the above four (4) are the ones that came to mind while composing this message.

*Mahalo,
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Establishes a temporary Hawaii Inter-island Ferry Oversight Task Force. (SD1) Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Sue Oasay and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry and ask that you do also. Hawaii needs another means of transportation between the islands. The Hawaii Super Ferry will fill this need. I would use it to vacations on other islands, thus keeping my hard earned dollars in Hawaii.

Thank you,

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Charles Burch* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The benefits of the SuperFerry, easier access to each island from its neighboring islands, the ability to transport your own vehicle and cargo, a cheaper alternative to other forms of travel, are great for the sustained growth of Hawaii. With the number of other vessels out there it seems incredible to hold out this one when it has so much to offer the Hawaii people. My belief is that permitting the Hawaii SuperFerry to sail will increase commerce, quality of services on all islands and overall business growth in Hawaii. Denying us the SuperFerry will be one more piece of evidence showing our lack of progress that is driving our young people to other places and causing the "Brain Drain".

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From: Mike Fisher [cel-pe@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:02 PM
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Subject: I Support the Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Mike Fisher, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am a geotechnical engineer with Construction Engineering Labs, Inc. in Pearl City. Allowing the Superferry to operate while the EIS is being conducted would be greatly beneficial to our company. We have a portable drill rig that we use to perform soil test borings and soil sampling for soils investigations. This equipment is stored in a small Wells Cargo trailer that is towed behind one of our company vehicles.

As the Superferry was slated to initially start its interisland service, we had scheduled a job on Maui. We intended on using the Superferry to transport our drilling equipment and the trailer, along with my company vehicle. The cost for the interisland shipping, etc. was included in our lump sum bid for the project. Between the time we were awarded our contract and the start of our soils investigation, the Superferry service was halted. As such, we had to ship our equipment on Young Bros. and rent a vehicle for me to tow the trailer while on Maui. After we were done with the job, we had to ship the trailer back to Honolulu on Young Bros. again. Since this contract was a lump sum amount, we lost \$920 as we incurred extra expenses that would have not existed had the Superferry been operating as they had planned.

Here is a breakdown of the extra costs we incurred because of the shutdown of the Superferry:

Cost to ship trailer, truck, and myself on Superferry from Oahu to Maui=\$290
Cost to ship trailer, truck, and myself on Superferry from Maui to Oahu=\$290
*Total cost for interisland Superferry round trip for trailer, truck, and myself=\$580

*Cost to ship trailer on Young Bros. from Oahu to Maui=\$490
Airfare for me from HNL to OGG=\$40
Cost of rental truck on Maui for 4 days=\$400
Cost to ship trailer on Young Bros. from Maui to Oahu=\$490
Airfare for me from OGG to HNL=\$40
Parking at HNL=\$40
*Total cost for having to ship this way=\$1,500

*As you can see, being forced to go with YB, etc. directly cost us almost \$1,000. We are a small business, and every penny counts, so when we have to take a \$1,000 hit that we can't bill the client, that really hurts. In addition to the increased cash costs, we had indirect costs such as having to deliver and pick up the trailer at YB on both islands, along with delays and having to reschedule several jobs because the Superferry would have provided same-day service, but with YB, we had 3 down days each way, which pushed several jobs on Oahu back and could have cost us those jobs.

Mahalo Nui,
Mike

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Daniel Lee and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the Superferry because it gives people an alternative way to travel besides the airlines. Not only does it provide an alternative but it provides the ability to bring your vehicle with you. This could be as small as a bicycle or a moped, or as large as a truck and trailer. The Superferry also provides a different experience of travel, one that allows closer interaction with the outdoors.

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From: TQuinlan [tq@interpac.net]
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To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Cc: TQuinlan
Subject: I support the superferry

Importance: High

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Thomas A. Quinlan* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I do support safety and environmental restrictions in the interim period until the EIS is completed.

I believe that it is really important to have an alternative to aviation for getting to the islands. It is healthy and affordable competition.

In my opinion the superferry will improve the quality of life for the people of Hawaii.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Robert Pila III and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I strongly feel that the Superferry will provide a much needed option to the State's inter-island transportation needs

Robert Pila III

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From: Doug Blanton [honludoug@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:00 PM
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Subject: RE: Super Ferry

From: honludoug@hotmail.com> To: hsewrittenonlytestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov> Subject: Super Ferry> Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2007 11:03:08 -1000>>> 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>> 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 Douglas Blanton and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.>> As an economist, businessman and citizen of our great State of Hawaii I firmly believe that the common good for all concerned is best served by business, government and the community providing the widest array of goods and services, opportunities and transportation modes possible. Government's role should be to facilitate these objectives while monitoring and regulating any negative side effects such as environmental and cultural concerns that may arise. Surely an enlightened State Government, with the aid of scientists and environmental professionals should be able to come up with solutions to any real environmental issues. Does one boat in a large ocean pose any more problems than dozens of jet airplanes flying to the same place? This whole business begs the question of whether the issue is really about the environment at all. Perhaps I am environmentally naive but this seems more like someones attempt to stifle competition rather than to save us all from the terrible consequences of a boat pulling into a harbor--sounds pretty ominous. Are they dumping sewage, running over fish and coral, polluting the air? If so, aren't there alternate docking locations? Is this docking location to be used solely for the SuperFerry? If not, are all the other vessels going to be given the same scrutiny?

Please support this measure and approve the operation of the SuperFerry conditioned upon adherence to any guidelines, rules, and regulations, as supported by professional and scientific study and analysis, that are adopted by the Hawaii inter-island Ferry Oversight Task Force.

Thank you for your considered and reasoned approach to sorting out this problem.

Douglas Blanton>
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From: Robert.Saragosa@marsh.com
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:05 PM
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Subject: Testimony for Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Robert Saragosa and I am a staunch supporter of the Hawaii Superferry. I am not affiliated with the company in any way and have no special interest, but I recognize the need for ferry service in Hawaii.

This isn't about saving one company. It's about saving a much needed and wanted mode of transportation. I say the service is wanted because of what I read in polls and by what I hear from friends and colleagues. The support is overwhelming. You, our state leaders, cannot roll over and let this service die because of a loud and vocal minority.

The invasive species, harming whales, cultural impact arguments are nothing but a big smokescreen. These minority groups don't want the Superferry at all, no matter what they do. They don't want the ferry to run during an environmental study because they know the ferry will go out of business if it sits idle. You need to see these arguments for what they really are.

Now is the time to stand strong and not point any fingers. Fix the law and put this sad episode behind us. And please do place so many stipulations on the ferry's service that it can't operate efficiently and profitably. So far, it has been a huge embarrassment for the state, but you have the power to remedy this. Please do it. A lot of us are watching and will remember the actions you choose to take. I hope you do the right thing.

Sincerely,

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Please support the Superferry

God Bless,

Ken and Rena Mac Moyle

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Adriana Tesh* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Hawaii deserves and needs more than just air travel to commute between the islands.

Adriana N. Tesh
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From: Karen M. Senn [ksenn@neeley-anderson.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:04 PM
To: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: I support the Superferry!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Karen Senn and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I have been an Oahu resident for 18 years and I am fully aware of the issues surrounding the Superferry. I certainly do not want our environment to be harmed in any way, nor do I want our neighbor island friends to be upset. Still, I believe that the Superferry is desired by the vast majority of the population of Hawaii and that the potential for environmental harm is minimal and can be addressed while allowing the Superferry to operate. I do not believe the Superferry will have any negative consequences on our State, any more than all of the other commercial and private vessels that travel between the islands. However, this can certainly be studied and determined by experts over the course of the next many months, while the Superferry cautiously operates.

I want to have added choice with regard to my personal and professional inter-island travel. I do not want to see the Superferry leave Hawaii. I think that it would be tragic if this were to happen. The Superferry will serve our community and is good for our economy. It offers a service that is *needed* and *desired* by most of us. Please don't let the Superferry fail, at least not without further information!

I will not be testifying in person, but I wanted to voice my opinion.

Aloha,

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From: Jim Kerver [jim@coffeeshack.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:46 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Superferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Jim Kerver and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I have two companies on the Big Island. The Coffee Shack Restaurant in Captain Cook, and also Kerver Construction Co. The Superferry will allow me the option of taking my truck to Oahu for shopping, which will improve my ability to provide good services to Hawaii.

Mahalo,

Jim Kerver
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To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Cc: 1 elmer hw
Subject: I Support Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I totally support the Hawaii SuperFerry, I cant believe that there are people living in Hawaii that cant see the tremendous benefit to traveling between the islands on the Hawaii SuperFerry, some people need to wake-up and smell the Roses !!

mahalo, Elmer Bertsch

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From: Andy Raymond [andy@revealer.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:16 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Please Get the Supeferry Running

Aloha

<>My name is Andrew Tomasi Raymond and I am a Hawaii voter who strongly supports Hawaii Superferry.

My Tax Money got the superferry started.

In Seattle Washington whales and ferry service have been operating for years without anyone being injured.

I will do my best to see that anyone who does not support of the superferry does "not" get re-elected.

Mahalo

</>Andrew T Raymond

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Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:03 PM
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Cc: Charlie Chai; Lori C
Subject: Support for Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Norman Chai and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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

The Superferry should be allowed to sail without restrictions just like The Pride of Aloha and Young Brothers Barges.

Please pass the law to let the Superferry sail!

Mahalo,

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From: Mark Koppel [koppelm@mac.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:02 PM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Superferry

To the Legislature:

I will be brief. The Superferry can only help Hawaii. The environmental impact will all be taken care of.

Mahalo.

Mark A Koppel
Umauma

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From: LeiHi1@aol.com
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:03 PM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

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

Need new businesses We need businesses like the Hawaii Superferry to provide jobs for people who would like to continue to live in Hawaii. I was born in Hawaii and was surprised to find that in my travels this summer there were more displaced Hawaiians living everywhere I stopped in Alaska. We know Nevada and California are second "Hawaiian Islands". I am now retired. I was lucky to be able to live in Hawaii until Real Estate taxes forced me to sell our family property at Puako on the Big Island. Many aren't able to get jobs and homes in their own islands.

The environment. It is good to have some control for any environmental harm that could be introduced to the outer islands. This was not done on Oahu and so many non-indigenous animals and insects have been seen on Oahu. But why only this Ferry? Do the Young Brother, Matson/Horizon barges and Cruise Ships have this same restriction? Personal boats and cars? Why just anything to do with this ferry? Whales and wildlife? Ask Washington state and Alaska if their ferries hurt the wildlife and whales.

Competition in Air travel and Auto rentals. It is difficult to rent a car on the Big Island at times. The airlines have cut back on flights and raised prices. I needed to go to Honolulu on the first flight many times but the flights were frequently full. You must then go the night before to be there on time. The ferry will add to options for local people to travel to the other islands at competitive prices as competition is good for everyone. Families can pack their cars up and go visiting and shopping on the other islands. Those who have elderly family members can have more comfortable travel with their own equipment and wheelchairs.

Ferries are part of the road systems in Washington state and Alaska. Anyone who has traveled on other ferries will tell you how it brings the islands and people closer without harming the areas it serves and leaves a very small footprint but much needed services and supplies. The options to tourist and locals would be a wonderful expansion of ways to travel our Hawaiian Islands.

Remember 9/11? We need alternative transportation. Remember the airlines were totally grounded and we were all stranded. We must think about the changing world situation and that terrorism is here to stay. Living on islands present different logistical problems when all does not go well in "paradise". Don't cut off another option that would be very important, if needed, to all residents.

There is more but I will end now. I encourage you to support this ferry that will bring more positives than negatives to our islands. I thank you for your consideration.

Mahalo nui.

Muriel Akana

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Subject: Fully Support Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *John Buttner* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I fully support allowing the Hawaii Superferry to begin operation while the very important environmental impact study is carried on. I support temporary conditions for the Hawaii Superferry to operate while the study is done.

The transportation to be provided by the Hawaii Superferry is needed in the Hawaiian islands.

Please support the Hawaii Superferry to resume operations.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Phyllis Tsutsui* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

From the little I gleaned from the news media, the owners of the Superferry were allowed to proceed with their plans. If they were given government approval, through no finagling on their part, the government and its officials should be held accountable, however unintentional their actions or lack of action was, not the owners of the Superferry.

Phyllis Tsutsui

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From: grafix advertising agency [grafadv@hawaiiantel.net]
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Marcia Prose and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

As a resident of the Big Island for over 24 years, I feel that the services of the Superferry would greatly enhance transportation options to the "neighbor islands". With only airlines to service this transportation need, we are at the mercy of essentially a monopoly. Please do not fold under the pressure of a MINORITY of people against the Ferry. Please hear the voices of the MAJORITY who support this alternate form of inter-island transportation.

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From: Hugh-Lela Gentry [gentrypro@earthlink.net]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 12:45 PM
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Subject: SUPPORT for Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Lela Gentry and I **strongly support** Hawaii Superferry.

I strongly support the superferry because I feel that it is time for the State of Hawaii to expand on their transportation needs and choices. It's obvious that the superferry will create another option for traveling between the outer islands. I feel that it will do more than the obvious. Most important, the superferry will create jobs for the people of Hawaii. Wouldn't we want to continue to have a low unemployment rate? Secondly, it will create greater means of getting goods back and forth between islands. Third, if I am given the option to take my car over to another island and vacation for a few days or possibly a couple of weeks, I would take this opportunity in a flash. Why not allow the people of Hawaii another way to support vacationing in your own state and spend your money here rather than Disneyland or Las Vegas for a change. I'm not knocking Disneyland or Las Vegas, but if families had options, I feel that the State of Hawaii can only benefit from those families who choose to vacation in paradise!

A very strong supporter,
Lela Gentry

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From: David Gross [dygross@cox.net]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:32 AM
To: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

RE: SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

We support the Superferry for the Hawaiian Islands for the following reasons:

1. It will provide an alternative to flying which is the only current option as a way to get between islands.
2. It will allow local businesses to move produce and other vital services (like home contactors) between islands in a more economical way.
3. It will allow residents a more convenient way to travel inter-island with their own vehicles – visiting family and also, making one able to shop on Oahu and thereby have access to more services/businesses than on the other islands.
4. It will allow tourists an opportunity to explore the islands, providing a richer cultural experience and more economic activity for local businesses.
5. In the event of an emergency, local governments would have access to a much needed resource to more easily move disaster equipment, supplies and personnel.
6. The environmental concerns are understandable, however, one trip per day to each island is a small amount of boat traffic, compared to all the power boats, sailboats and passenger liners that are constantly plying the Hawaiian waters and yet no Environmental Report is required for any of that traffic. Whales are important no question, but again, that a trip 3 times a day between islands can impact them that much more than all the other boats in the water seems a bit thin for a plausible argument.
7. During peak hours, off loading of cars and trucks will probably congest the roads more – proper traffic management is required to ensure locals will not be inconvenienced in their daily commutes. (Why is the Maui ferry off loading in Lahaina rather than Maalaea Bay – a better drop-off point for access in Maui?)

In Washington and other states in our country, ferries have been plying the waters for many, many years with very little negative impact on their communities and a much more positive benefit to local residents, businesses and tourists. Please consider all the positive impacts of having the Superferry

run – we think that they far outweigh the concerns of a small and vocal minority. I think a voter referendum would be useful if the Legislature is unable to resolve this – let the voters decide!

We will NOT be submitting in-person comments.

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From: Paul Kennedy [papapaul34@mac.com]
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Paul S. Kennedy* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

It would be a valuable alternative for residents and tourists alike -- and a real boost to many small businesses. Don't let Hawaii lose this opportunity!

Paul S. Kennedy

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From: Laura Fowler [laurafowler@hawaiiantel.net]
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Subject: support for the Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Laura Fowler and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I would like to testify support for the Superferry to operate while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. The Superferry will help my photography/art business, as I will be able to transport my goods to sell on Maui. It will also help my family to travel during the upcoming holidays.

Thank you,
Laura Fowler
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From: Helena [helena_hawaii@yahoo.com]
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Subject: *REVISED* Superferry Testimony

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Helena Orris* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the Superferry because it's another way to travel outer-island, without having to bother with airports and airport security, check-ins and lines, it seems to be more economical for traveling families staying over two-days because of rental car costs. I also believe that it contributes to the environment, I read an article about global warming and jet propulsion changing the air temperatures and causing glaciers to melt quicker. I'd just really like to see this work, for Hawaii's sake. It'll help the economies on other islands as well, and be easier for people such as myself to be able to afford a family vacation not having to worry about additional rental car costs. I am looking forward to seeing this work.

I don't plan to make an in-person statement/comment. Please take this as my official stand on this issue.

Aloha,

*Helena Orris
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Margaret L. Brezel* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

With proper safeguards, which you are working on, it will unite the islands in a way that the planes have not, by allowing whole families and sports teams to travel inter-island.

Thank you for preserving this important additional means of communication in the state.

Aloha,

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From: Barcheski [rhawaii@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:15 PM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Support For the Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

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

This is a long time in coming. We and everyone we know supports this. Make it happen NOW.

Randall G. Barcheski & Linda K. Barcheski

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From: Cheri Villberg [designworks@juno.com]
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Subject: Superferry Testimony

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

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

I sit at my office and look at the Superferry everyday and also see Matson and Young Brothers right behind them in my view. Why are two different standards being set? The same rules that apply to the shipping companies should be for the Superferry.

Those on the Outer Islands fight progress from Oahu. This Superferry is for them more than it is for Oahu. It's not about tourists using the Superferry. The time and additional cost the Superferry costs it's cheaper and faster to continue flying as they do now. The Superferry benefits the outer Island communities much more. Outer Islands have complained for years that construction has been too high, with the Superferry contractors could now load up their trucks and vans and bid outer Island jobs giving homeowners a way to have their jobs bid more competitively.

The trips to Oahu for Christmas shopping as many from Outer Islanders do every year would be much easier to drive their car on board, go shopping and load up the vehicle. No more renting of cars and paying for extra baggage charges not to mention the hassle factor alone would greatly reduce Holiday stress. The baby seats could stay in their safe seat all buckeled up on those trips to visit relatives.

The Superferry is for Hawaii's people....wake up before it's gone!!!!!!

Cheri Villberg

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From: Candace Reinhardt [creinhardt@lanakilahawaii.org]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:13 PM
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Subject: testimony for Hawaii Superferry

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Honorable Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Candace Reinhardt and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

As a citizen who was born, raised and continues to live in our beautiful state, I would like the opportunity to travel on the Superferry between islands. Not only is this another great mode of transportation, but it gives us kama`ina a way to travel by sea without it taking a week to reach a neighbor island.

Also, having the option to take your personal vehicle on the Superferry to a neighbor island, makes it convenient and increases safety, as I would be driving my personal vehicle, rather than renting and driving a vehicle that I am unfamiliar with. For those families traveling with small infants or toddlers, this convenience is priceless.

Please consider authorizing Hawaii Superferry to operate between our neighbor islands.

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From: Jamie Lawrence [jamie@mauihelicopters.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:12 AM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Support for Hawaii's Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Jamie Lawrence* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. The majority of Hawaii's citizens support the Superferry. Like every other means of transportation, there are challenges. I believe that in this case, the many advantages far outweigh any negatives. I have relatives who are disabled. They were practically in tears over the thought that this means of visiting family on other islands was possibly going to be ended before it began. Every one of my many friends and family also support the Superferry. We must not allow this miracle of modern transportation vaporize before our eyes simply because of a few arrogant disrespectful protesters, and an attorney who is simply trying to make a name for himself. Please don't let us down! Give the Superferry a chance before it is too late!!

Thank you so very much for your time,

Jamie Lawrence

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From: Wanda Riggs [tuturiggs@msn.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:11 PM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Support the Super Ferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

My name is Wanda M. Riggs, Hawaii resident for over 47 years. I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. Several years ago I had to travel to Oahu for medical treatment. The surgery required gas placed in my left eye. I could not return to Maui for two weeks because I could not travel by air due to the gas in my eye. It cost me almost \$2,000 to stay there, away from family and friends when I really needed them. Had the ferry been in operation I could have returned home to Maui. One other note: Maui Tomorrow Foundation, Inc. is "not in good standing" according to your own Hawaii Government, Dept. of Commerce and Consumer Affairs. They have not complied with all legal requirements. So is this not the pot calling the kettle black. They do not have to be lawful. Perhaps we should check to see if these non-profit organizations brought possible legal action against the ferry to their full membership and if in fact it was voted on and made part of their corporate records? Thank you for consideration of my email. Sincerely, Wanda M. Riggs, P.O. Box 880955, Pukalani, Hawaii, 96788 Phone number 808-878-1940

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Janice Akau of Nanakuli*, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry for the following reasons.

- 1) *I would like to have an alternative means of transportation to travel between our islands.*
 - 2) *The Superferry has created many jobs for the people of our islands, many of which are now unemployed.*
 - 3) *The islands belong to State of Hawaii and should be accessible to everyone via whatever transportation means available, including the Superferry.*
 - 4) *This business venture should be allowed (freedom of enterprise).*
 - 5) *I do not think the environment will be impacted by the Superferry.*
- I have lived here all my life, and I think the Superferry is a good thing for our islands. Too bad if a few people on Kauai don't like it.*

Sincerely,

*Janice Akau
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Ryan Fowler and I support Hawaii Superferry operation. Please help the Superferry by allowing them to operate.

I would like Superferry operation to begin immediately, so that Hawaii will have a ferry system to bring family and friends together.

I was born and reared on Maui (Baldwin c/o '93), and I personally want the Superferry so that I can take my wife, two month old daughter, 110-lb dog, and car and visit my daughter's Tutu and Tutu Kane in Kihei, Maui this Thanksgiving and Christmas and throughout the year. I would also like to go to Maui, Kauai and the Big Island with our car stocked with my wife's nature photographs to sell at art fairs on the respective islands. I do not want the Superferry operation suspended longer, and do not want them to have no options but to leave Hawaii.

I do not intend to submit in-person comments. Thank you for your time.

Very Respectfully,
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From: Valerie Cook [vandbcook@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:17 PM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: support superferry

October 29, 2007 @ 1315

To whom it may concern:

My name is Valerie Cook and I live in Kailua, Oahu. I fully support the superferry. This ship sails in the same waters as other commercial ships such as Matson and our cruise ships. It gives the people of Hawaii as well as tourists a choice of inter-island transportation. I fully support to give the superferry AT LEAST A CHANCE. And I support my decision with hope and respect, not fear nor disrespect.

Valerie Cook
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From: ron spake [spakev001@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:17 PM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Hawaii Supper Ferry SB 1, SD 1 RELATNG TO TRANSPORTATION

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Ronnie Christopher and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Hawaii Superferry is no different from any other ship that operates in Hawaii state waters. As of now, there are ships that carry people from island to island and there are ships that transport cars and supplies.

The Hawaii Superferry combines these two services into one ship. Therefore you should support any bill allowing immediate operations regarding the Hawaii Superferry. Anything less than the immediate operation of the supperferry would be a disservice to the people of the state of Hawaii.

respectfully submitted,
ronnie c. spake

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From: Deborah Celestino [debcelestino@yahoo.com]
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Subject: Support Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Deborahlee Celestino* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry will provide jobs for the people in Hawaii allowing them to earn a decent living. The Superferry is an asset to our community in that businesses will flourish from the increase in revenue when people come here to visit and therefore create job opportunities for the people of Kauai. The Superferry will also provide another mode of transportation that allows the passenger to bring their vehicle with them if they choose too. I believe the Superferry will open doors for many businesses, government, medical & military to use as another mode of transportation as needed. The Superferry is giving us a traveling cruise (comfortable seats, tv, food, bring your vehicle, & other amenities) for a price that is affordable and enjoyable. The curiosity & excitement of the Superferry creates an urge that you just have to try it and experience the traveling over the ocean for yourself. I support the Superferry to operate while an EIS is in process.

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From: Alysa.Costa@audatex.com
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 12:47 PM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Superferry

To whom it may concern,

I like many people, am in favor of the superferry. I think it is a great mode of transportation not only for the local people on vacation but also for companies with work trucks/vehicles. This provides great opportunity for services to be provided that normally may not be (i.e. can not take work tools and such on a plane).

I do not understand why the superferry can not stay in service while an EIS is being done. Ships, boats and barges travel those seas and go in and out of those harbors EVERYDAY.

We finally have something beneficial for the people of Hawaii.....PLEASE do not let us lose it!!!!

Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

Alysa Costa

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From: Mark "Doc" Goldman [mgoldman@ilhawaii.net]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 11:31 AM
To: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Mark Goldman, I am from Hilo, and own a small business: Communication Center of Hawaii. We do telephone work.

Often we are called upon to work on other islands. This involves use of tools, parts (e.g. wire, circuit boards, etc.), etc. Flying, renting a vehicle, and especially taking parts on today's flights is not easy.

With the Super Ferry, we could take our service van, with all that we may need, and do our service calls on other islands, much more efficiently.

Please support the Super Ferry, for the sake of small businesses.

Aloha,

Mark 'Doc' Goldman, Ph.D.

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To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Jerry Lee* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Please do not let just a handful of people who are ignorant and afraid of change affect the mass majority. The last time I checked, Hawaii is still ruled democratically and by the majority rule.

*Sincerely,
Jerry Lee*

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From: Al Beeman [albeeman@yahoo.com]
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Subject: Testimony in favor of SB1 SD1

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Dear Chairmen Souki and Oshiro:

From: Albert E. Beeman, Private Citizen
908 Kumukoa Street Hilo, HI 96720
Tel: 808-895-1813

Subject: Support for SuperFerry returning to full operation during EIS
Aloha Committee Members!!!

I strongly support Hawaii Superferry And SB1 SD1.
Unless action is taken immediately the SuperFerry will either go bankrupt or be forced to leave Hawaii.

I urge the Legislature to take action and prevent the loss of this great asset to

Hawaii through no fault of their own but listening to the advice they were getting from the State of Hawaii.

Now that the courts have spoken it is up to the legislature to save the SuperFerry while meeting the various courts concerns including an Environmental

Impact Study if that is really necessary.

The people of Hawaii have clearly spoken in the majority that they want the SuperFerry service. I urge you to please act decisively to ensure the our state finally has inter-island ferry service.

I further urge the Legislature to ensure that progress continues at the harbor

facilities on the Big Island to accommodate the new SuperFerry on time. We on the Big Island are waiting patiently for ferry service to Honolulu and hopefully to Maui.

Me Ka Mahalo, (Respectfully)

Albert E. Beeman
Hilo

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To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
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Subject: SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Neal A. Miller and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry is necessary for competitive intrer-island transportation prices.

~Neal A. Miller

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Subject: Support for Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Roger F. Elgram and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Superferry will be a "bridge" to help unify our state

Roger Elgram (R)ePro

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From: Caroline Azelski [caroline@azelski.net]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 11:10 AM
To: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Testimony for the record in support of Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Caroline Azelski and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I believe that if the Hawaii Superferry service is suspended while the environmental impact statement is being conducted, they may have to ultimately raise ticket prices to cover the loss in revenue. This will not benefit the residents of Hawaii.

Sincerely,
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From: harry nishiguchi [harrylb@oco.net]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 12:52 PM
To: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Supporting Hawaii Superferry Operation during EIS!

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Harry Nishiguchi* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Hawaii Superferry must continue operation while the environmental assessment is being conducted.

My personal reason is that the interisland ferry service has been always my dream to enjoy our retired life in Hawaii and as U.S.Citizens we have a guaranteed right under our Constitution to visit our neighboring islands, whether it be Kauai, Maui or Hawaii, to equally enjoy their/our pretty landscapes whenever we want to visit by the Superferry which has really been a great achievement and a great asset to all our wonderful Hawaii citizens.

Let's not lose this Superferry to elsewhere, by allowing it to operate with no further delay, even during the environmental assessment is being conducted.

Please don't let Hawaii Superferry leave Hawaii at any cost and help Hawaii Superferry to stay in service with us all civilized Hawaiians, forever! Under God and our Constitution, no Kauai nor Maui people can discriminate us and prohibit us from visiting their islands, from Oahu.

Sincerely yours,

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From: APaalani@aol.com
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:10 PM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: SuperFerry!

I support the superferry and it should be allowed to run until the EIS is completed. I am sure the study will have some areas that must be adhered to but it can be done in time and coordination.

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Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:11 PM
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Subject: Fw: Testimony in favor of SuperFerry

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From: Alohaaclay
To: SuperFerry Bill
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 12:56 PM
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From: Alohaaclay
To: SuperFerry Bill
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Alice Clay and I strongly support Hawaii SuperFerry.

Unfortunately, the Silent Majority has been quiet for too long.. and as part of the Silent Majority we assumed that a company like the Hawaii SuperFerry would be welcome with open arms and embraced by the Hawaii Community as a positive and important fixture in our islands. Yes, it brings competition to the airlines, to the car rental companies, to the barge companies and who know what others, but to the kamaaina's and the rest of the people of Hawaii it is a positive vendor that promotes competition. Too many years and for too long, Hawaii has been control by the dominate few. Hawaii needs this competition and Hawaii needs to welcome other companies to do business in the State of Hawaii. People outside of Hawaii view Hawaii as a state that does not welcome new business. PROVE THEM WRONG.. AND SUPPORT AND PASS THIS BILL AND ALLOW THE HAWAII SUPERFERRY TO OPERATE A BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF HAWAII.

Mahalo,
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From: dviehl [dviehl@earthlink.net]
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Caroline Brehm, and I oppose any and all legislation which allows Hawaii Superferry to operate without an EIS in place. If the legislature chooses to disregard environmental law for the primary benefit of a private company, I oppose any such legislation which does not provide for maximum speeds in whale sanctuary areas of no more than 13 knots.

I am fully aware and recognize that the benefit to many residents of Hawaii derived from the operation of the Superferry is not insignificant. However, I am also aware that the benefit is greatest to those residents of Oahu, one of which I am. I do not hear any voices in online forums like Hawaii Threads from neighbor islands who speak of the Superferry's benefits to them, nor do I hear many voices on the news or read them in the newspaper, nor do I hear many HSF supportive testimony on the neighbor islands. In the spirit of aloha, I wish to respect the majority opinions of my neighbors rather than focus solely upon the majority opinion of this, the most populous island and therefore the most represented.

Our situation here in Hawaii is far different from the mainland; the Superferry is not traveling between typical county lines. The environmental legislation in place reflects this unique and wonderful situation, protecting the environment of all counties, not disregarding one for the benefit of another. Somewhere, someone down the line decided that the Hawaii Superferry had primacy over carefully designed state law; at this point, it does not matter who is responsible, although it ought to be borne in mind in the future to prevent such carelessness. The groups who sued in our state's courts were attempting to ensure that no private company, regardless of its benefit to the most populous county in the state, was permitted to trample over state law and the rights of others; they were successful, and I am grateful that they were, regardless of the inconvenience it might cause me and my family. Fairness, impartiality, respect for the majority opinions of the neighbor islands, and indeed, the spirit of aloha and reverence for the 'aina are the principles for which this Oahu resident stands proudly.

I strongly urge you to vote "no" on this legislation as it stands.

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[BRIEFLY AND SIMPLY DESCRIBE WHY YOU SUPPORT HAWAII SUPERFERRY (TESTIMONY IS MOST EFFECTIVE WHEN KEPT TO ONE PAGE)]

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From: Carol Smith [clsmith@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:07 PM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: Testimony

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance
DATE: Thursday, October 25, 2007
TIME: 9:00 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

HB 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

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

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Carol Smith* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Carol Smith

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From: BJC [email4bjc@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:11 PM
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Subject: SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

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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My name is Betty J Cowart and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I would very much like to see the Hawaii Superferry running as it would enable my family to spend more time together.
It would also allow me to transport business supplies between islands much more efficiently and cost-effectively.
I am only one of many people in our neighborhood who have expressed these same sentiments.

I will not be able to attend in person.

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From: Shuguang Li [shuguang@hawaii.edu]
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2007 1:11 PM
To: hswrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject: SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Shuguang Li* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I delivered an e-mail to houserecord@capitol.hawaii.gov on October 24. Here I don't want to repeat the same points. I just want to emphasize some points. Hawaii Superferry has been treated unfairly for issues regarding invasive species and whale hurting, which were done or possible happened to other transportation companies. They are not required of what is asked for the Superferry. There should be no based to ask the Superferry to follow a different rule. Since the Hawaii Supreme court has ruled against the Superferry, which I hope the judges did it on professional point of view because if otherwise the judges who caused these trouble should be fired. Then that means there is something wrong with our present law, so it is the right thing for the legislature to amend the law to fix the problem.

I hope the legislature will do the right thing for Hawaii. Don't let small number of opponents to kill the Superferry just because they don't like it.

Shuguang Li

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From: Craig [cwatase@hawaii.rr.com]
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Subject: Yes to Super Ferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Craig Watase and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

1. The Superferry gives the residents of Hawaii an alternative method for transportation between islands. I'm sure if Go! Airlines were not around, and the airfares were still \$180 round trip, people would be much more welcoming of the Superferry. One day soon there will only be two airlines again. A third alternative to travel interisland is a must.
2. It gives us a way to transport cars and belongings between islands. All other methods require heavy expensive packing, expensive transportation, and a long wait.
3. In an emergency, like Iniki, it gives the residents a way to bring help and support to any ravaged island. Imagine how much better the residents of Kauai would have been served after Hurricane Iniki during the immediate aftermath, and the long term rebuilding if the super ferry were available. Building materials, labor, expertise, family support, the list is very long.
4. The allegations that it will add congestion are lame. The calculation to bring a car to another island only adds up if someone is staying over a week. In any case, they would have rented a car anyway. This will not increase the number of cars on the road; it will only affect the number rented from the car rental agencies.

Craig Y. Watase
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Barbie Parkin and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support the Hawai'i Superferry because it will allow families to visit with family and friends on the outer islands via a different mode of transportation as opposed to flying, as not many people may be comfortable with flying. It allows more jobs for our local people and I also believe that all this ruckus stirred up, should have been addressed PRIOR to the ferry even arriving to the islands.

Barbie Parkin
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