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From:Napoleon, Annarene - Honolulu, HI - Contractor [annarene.napoleon@usps.gov]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:51 AMTo:testimonySubject:Support the Superferry

Aloha,

I am a resident of Oahu with family on Maui. I sincerely support the Superferry in Hawaii waters. We are as a state behind the times of transportation as this form of travel is overdue. Let the voices of Hawaii's majority ring.

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Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:36 AM

To: testimony

Cc: elsa@mauichamber.com

Subject: Superferry support...

SENATE COMMITTEES: JUDICIARY AND LABOR, TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, AND ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

HEARING DATE: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24

TIME AND LOCATION: 10:30 A.M. AUDITORIUM, STATE CAPITOL

HONORABLE SENATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS;

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE HAWAII SUPERFERRY...THE REASONS HAVE BEEN STATED OVER AND OVER BY THE VAST MAJORITY OF HAWAII'S BUSINESS COMMUNITY ALONG WITH ITS RESIDENT POPULACE. PLEASE DON'T LET THE VOCAL MINORITY WIN ON THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE. AT THE VERY LEAST <u>SUPPORT A BALANCED BILL</u> THAT WILL ALLOW THE HAWAII SUPERFERRY TO OPERATE DURING THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS. PLEASE, THIS IS DEFINITELY WHAT IS NEEDED TO PRESERVE HAWAII'S BUSINESS IMAGE.

MOST SINCERELY,

STEVEN KNIGHT

PRESIDENT/CEO

EXPEDITIONS

MAUI-LANA'I FERRY

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From:p b [bachan3124@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:44 AMTo:testimonySubject:superferry

please keep the superferry!! if you get rid of the superferry, why keep the cruise ships?? is it only because the cruise ships bring in more money from the tourists?? if you get rid of one....then both should be gone!! the liners are worse!! pb

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Tuesday, October 23, 2007

The Superferry should be allowed to run interisland. It is simply another ship making trips between the islands. The people on Kauai/Maui are not complaining about the cargo ships that regularly visit their ports to bring goods from Oahu and the mainlands like food, lumber, other supplies. The environmental impact is no different from the cruise ships and the other vessels that enter these same waters.

The Superferry would be no different from these other ships that enter their ports. Except, that it would bring more tourist dollars to the local economies. And, it would allow other Hawaii residents the option to bring their own vehicles and supplies (camping equipment/surfboards/etc) without having to worry about the lack of damage control claimed by the airlines or excessive fees.

We live on islands. Shouldn't we be able to access them by water? It is not only an attractive way to travel for locals, but also for tourists visiting our islands. Criminals are not going to pay the fees to travel outer island – that is an absurd excuse.

The state should really start making plans before they import new projects (ie: purchasing and dispersing trash receptacles for recycling prior to any program, no environmental impact statement prior to the launch of the Superferry). It is now the obligation of the state to see to it that their latest venture is a positive dividend to the people of Hawaii.

Sincerely with Aloha,

Katherine Tongg

From: Sent: 'To: Subject: rebecca miller [rebemail3@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:51 AM testimony SUPERFERRY

THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS Senator J. Kalani English, Chair Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

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NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING DATE: Sunday, October 21, 2007 TIME: 2:00 p.m. PLACE: King Kaumualii Elementary School Cafeteria 4381 Hanamaulu Road Lihue, HI

Hello Legislators,

I am submitting written testimony to say that I feel strongly that the Superferry should never sail in Hawaiian waters. Even with an EIS done by the DOT, the same people who allowed the superferry to waive environmental law in the first place, it can not sail.

It would be a violation of the desires of the vast majority in the people.

Remember if you have forgotten that you are public servants, the people who elected you are in charge.

Your job is to represent the citizens of Hawaii not one corporation or even the U.S. Military. A large unified citizenry is very powerful as I'm sure you are well aware. One can no longer ignore that unified vioce as our Govenor has aparently chosen to do. This situationcan only be healed by listening and acting on behalf of your constituents.

Thank you, Rebecca Miller P.O. Box 1501 Hanalei,HI 96714

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From: John Leano [johnleano@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:48 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Say Yes to Super Ferry

I think the Super Ferry would be great for the consumers who travel to neighbor Islands. It will help keep the cost of plane fares competitive as well as the cost of car rentals.

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From:WALT HASKINS [haskins2@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:46 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Please let us have the Superferrie

Please let us have the Superferrie and not permit the minority regressive groups in this state control everyone else.

Walter D. Haskins

From: Sent: To: Subject: Yee, Olivia S Ms NGHI [olivia.yee@us.army.mil] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:50 AM testimony For Superferry (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED Caveats: NONE

I'm writing in support of the Superferry. I see it as an opportunity to unite our islands and for us to see and appreciate each island for what it is.

Olivia

OPTIMISM DEFINED: A cheerful frame of mind that enables a tea kettle to sing through in hot water up to its nose.

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED Caveats: NONE

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From: Nae'ole 'Ohana [naeolehui@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:50 AM

To: testimony

October 23, 2007

re: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment hearing set for Wed. October 24,2007 at 10:30 A.M. at the Auditorium, State Capitol.

Aloha,

I am sending this e-mail to you to have my voice heard in support of the Superferry. I feel that this issue is tearing our State apart and that the people who oppose the Superferry are doing so as an attempt to "privatize their island" on the claim that they are residents. I hope our leaders step up and prevent this type of so call civil uprising because they should not have all of this control. I feel that the majority supports the Superferry and the majority should rule.

Mahalo, Tiffany Naeole Waianae

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yes

From: Connie Eder [ceder@hemic.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:50 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Super Ferry

Please allow the Super Ferry to operate.

We must not allow small special interest groups to run our state. The message they send to the world is "Hawali is not open for business."

Operation of the Super Ferry is legal. Does it differ from Matson, Young Brothers or any other barge or large shipping line?

Our state tax dollars are promised to the Super Ferry even if it doesn't operate. How can we think it's OK to squander this money as our cost of living rises, widening the economic gap between our people?

Mahalo for listening!

Connie Faria Eder

Support for the Hawaii Super Ferry Service

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	From:	Samuel, Charles CONT (PMRF ITT) [charles.samuel@navy.mil]
	Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:47 AM
	To:	testimony
	Subject:	Support for the Hawaii Super Ferry Service

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

I live on the Kauai and would welcome the service that the Hawaii Super Ferry will provide. It is a perfect fit for business, recreation, keeping families in touch and in event of a natural disaster it can provide evacuation and resupply to the beleaguered area. It also offers competition for freight forwarders and licensed contractors as the pool of available service providers grows. It will also help small businesses grow and prosper. I believe the very vocal minority has painted a picture of an environmental Armageddon if the HSF is allowed to operate. The airlines, cruise ships, cargo carriers and freight forwarders are not being held to the same scrutiny as the HSF-this is an unfair and biased business environment. I see tour ships run in the island waters at speeds greater than 20 knots with impunity but no environmentalist scream foul. The vocal minority has pleaded protect the environment and the whales as a "righteous" argument and shield for their cause. The real reason opponents do not want the HSF is they don't want Oahu or other island residents using Kauai resources in their part of the island. I have heard it time and time again-keep them off our beaches, streams, trails, fishing spots, surf breaks, and our roads. These are the same people who don't want gated communities. In my opinion the EIS findings will have the same weight as a fortune teller gazing into a crystal ball - In the end it will be pure speculation. Let the HSF run for a specified time then reevaluate and institute measures that will address tangible problems if found to have a negative impact on the environment, social and economic situations for the ports the HSF services.

Charles Samuel 245-1974 3432 Unahe St. Lihue Hawaii 96766

From: Harold H. Ohata [ohatah001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:50 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry

This is in favor of the Superferry to operate until such time as the environmental report id completed.

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From:Penny Kelli [pennykelii@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:50 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

It is imperative that the Superferry be allowed to begin working its proposed routes. The Superferry gives the people of Hawai'i, (an island state) another choice for travel in between our islands. Currrently we are virtually captive on our own islands because of the high air fares....now with go! out of the system, Hawaiian and Aloha can raise their fares as high as they want to.

Please, please, allow the Superferry to <u>stay afloat</u> by letting them begin running! If Maui and Kaua'i do not want the Superferry, bring it to Hawai'i Island!!

Most sincerely, Penny and Keawe Vredenburg Waimea, Hawai'i Island 10/23/07 8:50am



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From:Colin S. [c9413@aol.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:50 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry Support

C. Johansen PO Box 1809 Kihei, HI 96753

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Kent Ellwin [wke@hawaii.rr.com]

Dear Senators;

From:

I wish to register on my unequivocal support of the SuperFerry to this group. It is a far more essential enterprise to the residents of this state than to any tourism related issue. The ability to visit a neighbor island with your own vehicle for vacation, rest and recreation is a very important capability of myself, and I'm sure, many others. While I recognize that there are some environmental issues, I feel they have been greatly exaggerated considering we have had ocean based transportation for delivery of goods inter-island for a great long while. These transportation companies have not been subject to environmental claims of harming their environment with foreign species or the possibilities they may injure marine life. We have also had inter-island ocean cruising companies operating in Hawaii's waters for some time and surely they would have a similar impact on ocean and harbor environments as would the Ferry and yet they still operate.

Please do not let a vocal minority of residents impede transportation progress in this state, progress that will benefit residents of Islands to be served by the SuperFerry. Please assure that the SuperFerry be permitted to operate as planned.

-William K. Ellwin Kaneohe, HI

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From: Robyn B Baglow Rs [robyn@alohabroadband.com]Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:50 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry PLEASE!

Aloha Legislators

Please, please do whatever it takes to get the superferry up and running.

I have travelled, and lived in many places in the world, and stayed in many many island paradises, and no other island group that I can think of, has to rely on everything arriving per a barge pulled by a tug - which of course makes the cost of everything we purchase astronomically over priced AND

For the sake of all peoples living in Hawaii, to make it easy and affordable to travel interisland to visit families and friends please do whatever it takes to get this superferry running. The minority is vocalizing these complaints and the majority MUST be heard.

Sincerely

Robyn B. Baglow

Robyn B. Baglow Rs The Land Office, Inc (800)622 2177 toll free (808)929 7541 Office (808)939 7105 HO (808)939 7557 Fax email: robyn@alohabroadband.com Call me from 6am to 10pm seven days a week! Really!

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From:Tina MSent:TuesdaTo:testimoSubject:In supp

Tina McGill [tinamcgill@earthlink.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:48 AM testimony In support of the Superferry

I am a Big Island resident since 1999 and I feel this state is in desperate need of this sort of interisland transportation. I think that a small group of radical individuals are speaking loudest and are drowning out the voice of the majority of residents who are in support to the Superferry. Is this not a democracy? The Superferry should not have been given license to run and then have it taken away. The Superferry should be allowed to run and all necessary security should be provided at the cost of the state in order to give them save passage. If an environmental study must be done it should be done quickly and not at the cost of the Superferry, they have lost enough money due to the state legislatures slow pace and incompetency.

Tina McGill PO Box 1156 Honokaa HI 96727

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From:Rosita Sipirok-Siregar [RSipirok-Siregar@ahldesign.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:49 AMTo:testimonySubject:I SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY......:)

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tiana becker [alohabecker@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:21 AM testimony Super Ferry Testimony

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To whom it may concern,

I am in support of the super ferry in the hawaiian islands as it enables locals to transport/travel between islands with the conveinence of having their own car as an option. It will only increase business between the islands and help the economy on the islands with many small businesses. It is not much different if not less harmful than the large cruise ships that float between islands. The only difference is that locals can benefit from it as well.

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Mahalo, Tiana Becker tianabecker@foxracing.com

From: Stacey-Ann Mukaisu [smukaisu@aloha.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:46 AM

To: testimony

To Whom It May Concern,

I was born on the island of Maui. I am now a resident of Oahu for the past 25 years. I believe that the superferry should be able to operate during the environmental testing.

Why do we allow Young Brothers and the larger cruise ships to come to Hawaii and service our people. I'm sure along the way these have killed whales, sharks, turtles & fishes. It just never surface for the public to hear about.

Hawaii is now growing larger and we need other ways to transport from island to island. We will benefit from the tourist. What is the difference between Matson & Young Brothers do they dust off all the vehicles and items that come in from the mainland for invasive species. Come on there is more creators on the mainland that we don't have in the islands and I don't see the people complaining about stuff like that.

As for drugs look at Kauai the largest in 2 months since the whole superferry started. The drugs will reach as long as there are ways to get to the island. They should not single out Oahu like that. I have never done drugs but these people that got busted they should be sent away for along time. They have probably ruined alot of childrens lives in Kauai. The people there should focus on that not the superferry. Please support the superferry.

Thank You, Stacey-Ann Mukaisu Makiki District

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From:bwake [bwake@gci.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:47 AMTo:testimonySubject:Ferry

Living in Alaska for 30 years, and visiting several islands in Hawaii over the years, it is obvious and critical that choices in mode of transportation are available. Our ferry system works great, and offers remote island residents an economical and consistent way to travel, as well as travelers, such as myself to see wonderful places and experience the different towns and cities.

We are scheduled to visit Maui and Kauai over the holidays and had looked forward to traveling via the Superferry. We sure hope it is available. Frankly, to me there is no reason such a system has not already been made available. We have lots of whales and other wildlife that seem to co-exist just fine!

Shirley Nelson Anchorage, Alaska

From: Tony Tolaney [tolaney@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:48 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry

to: Judiciary and labor committee

It is totally outrageous that the ferry came under an environmental scrutiny, where all the other planes, ships, etc. have never...... we need the interisland ferry for commerce and tourism...... at least let it proceed with restrictions till the EIS is complete.

With kind regards, Anthony J. Tolaney

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From:Deanna Spooner [deannaspooner@earthlink.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:41 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

To Whom It May Concern:

As a long time owner and resident of the Big Island, I am in total support of the Super Ferry being allowed to operate during the environmental impact study. I will not rehash all of the objections with the common sense answers that have been discussed at length in our Big Island papers as I'm sure they have in each of the island's local newspapers. None of the objections that I have heard to date, of which there are many, do not rise to the level necessitating the Ferry wait for completion of the study in order to operate. If required to wait, Hawaii might as well say "Goodbye" to any prospect of ever having a ferry service in the islands. All of the concerns can be addressed to minimize any impact on our island communities. I believe the Super Ferry can only bring a benefit to all of the islands including alternatives to air travel, economical ways to transport smaller quantities of goods, as well as, infusions to the local economy.

I support the Super Ferry running now and long into the future.

Deanna L. Spooner

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From: Jun Lantaya [jp3mek@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:43 AM

To: testimony

Subject: support of hawaii superferry

I'm retired military for 10 yrs now and residence of hawaii but work here in california, but me and my family travel to hawaii 2 or 3 times a year and like to do island hopping meaning we'd like to visit other hawaiian island and on top of that i have some relatives residing in other island like big island, kauai and maui, you know i think hawaii supperferry are the best thing happen in the island right now and i'm one of the island residence that support the hawaii superferry.

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From:Sqmaui@cs.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:39 AM

To: testimony

Subject: RE: Support fot the Hawaii Superferry

Dear Legislators:

I writing to voice my support of the legislation to pass a bill to support the continued operation of the Hawaii Superferry while an Environmental Assessment is being done. I was at the hearing on Maui yesterday afternoon but was too afraid to speak in front of all those rude boisterous opponents.

My family and I have been so excited about the prospect of having an interisland ferry system to take advantage of this alternative means of transportation between the islands. We have no intention of going to the other island and "robbing their precious resources." We just want to be able to go over and enjoy the other parts of our State, which if I'm not mistaken belongs to all of us.

I have family and friends in different parts of the Mainland and their newspapers are making a mockery of our government of the way they handle business ventures coming here to try and set up a business. Is this what we want the rest of the world to perceive us as?

Please fix this situation and come up with a remedy to let the Hawaii Superferry remain in Hawaii and continue operating while the EA is being done.

Thank you for your consideration,

Susan E. Quinn Pukalani, Hawaii

From:
Sent:
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Subject:

annette kawaauhau [akawaauhau@hotmail.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:47 AM testimony Supperferry

Please let the Supperferry continue doing its business in our state of Hawaii. I feel the Suppererry CEOs and everyone else invovle will be sensitive to our islands and what is all around. From the ocean and the living in our oceans and our aina.

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From:Edward Slavish [slavishe001@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:49 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry support

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Gentlemen and ladies,

My wife and I want to be on record as being in support of this project. The Superferry will add to the economic well being of the State of Hawaii, and add a travel option to the people of this State as well as tourists. As near as I can tell The Superferry has acted in good faith and followed the requirements laid out by the Govmt. officials they were working with.

Their operational record during the Environment Assessment process will demonstrate their ability to follow the rules and show clearly any impact, good or bad to the State.

If they are not permitted to operate during this period I assume that as honorable public servants you will immediately stop other inter-island commercial ventures from operating under the same rules until they also produce the required environmental assessments.

There is no law written or unwritten that says an organization made up of so many attorneys can't make a mistake that another attorney can't pounce on. Please correct the law to allow this venture to proceed so you may get on with the peoples business.

Edward M. Slavish and Susan M. Slavish 47-079 Kamehameha Hwy. Kaneohe, Hawaii, 96744

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From: lolly davis [lollydavis@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:41 AM.

To: testimony

Subject: support for superferry

Sir:

I live on the Big Island and am writing in support of the Superferrry. The ferry will make it easier for me to visit family living on other islands. I believe that another mode of transportation is essential for local families.

Mahalo,

Charlotte Lolly N. Davis

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From:Karen Wolfe [bigislandtita@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:23 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry

Aloha!

I have lived on Kauai, Big Island, Oahu and now on Maui for 25 years. I have done my own research and have spoken to many local residents and visitors alike. Most of the people want the Super Ferry with conditions. If we have cruise ships that adhere to our Whale population then I am sure the ferry will respectfully do the same. The bottom line is that it will give the people of Hawaii options for inter-island travel and if we don't support the Super Ferry we will get a BIG BLACK EYE with the state and visitors who travel here and it will definetly hurt the business climate of this state. Come on people, let quit having "private meetings" and work together to give the majority of the people of the state of Hawaii what they want. OPTIONS:Hello!

Respectfully submitted:

Karen Wolfe 500 Kapalua Drive #18T67 Lahaina, Hawaii 96761 808-669-1414 home 808-895-2558 cell

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From:Bob Bacchi [bbobb@worldnet.att.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:38 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Superferry special session

Please be advised that I strongly support a special session of the Legislature scheduled for tomorrow, Wed. Oct 24th, at the State Capitol auditorium, I wholeheartedly agree that the Superferry should be allowed to operate concurrent with the environmental impact report.

The Superferry will be a positive advantage for the local economy of all the islands which can be served by this very significant method of inter-island travel. Robert Bacchi

84-770 Kili Dr. Waianae 96792 695-5335

From: olianam@aol.com Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:49 AM To: testimony

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SAVE THE SUPERFERRY!!!!! It is important to keep the superferry and allow it to run during the assessment because it provides employment to the local people of Hawaii. It will also eliviate air traffic during peak seasons. When the airports are full and the flights are booked, we can always turn to the Superferry to get us to our families and friends on the outter island. The supperferry will also be very beneficial to our economical growth. The supperferry should be allowed to run during the assessment. All the caos has caused my family to become a one income household again due to the selfishness of those who are trying to stop the Superferry. Superferry is here to help the people of Hawaii, Let them.

Thanks

Email and AIM finally together. You've gotta check out free AOL Mail!

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From: laura watkins [lights1420@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:49 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Support for the Hawaii State Superferry

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I personally support the Hawaii State Superferry. It not only will provide alternate transportation for inter island travel, it will also help to stimulate the local economy. It would be a horrible embarrassment and shame for the state to let the Superferry go to waste because of a few ignorant peoples opinions.

-Laura Watkins 46-255 Kahuhipa Street A702 Kaneohe, HI 96744

Yes

From: ANDREW.ROTH [ANDREW.ROTH@pruhawaii.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:46 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

Please do the right thing and ensure that the Hawaii Superferry stays open for business. Taxpayers have already subsidized the harbor improvements. Local families will only benefit from this new service. Move expeditiously, save some face, and put this embarrassing situation behind us.

Aloha, Andrew

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From:Rocky [riddellr001@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:49 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii SuperFerry

Dear Sir(s),

I consider myself to be an environmentalist and I support the Hawaii SuperFerry. I am disappointed and disgusted at the turn of events surrounding the SuperFerry debacle. It should be running now. Alaska and Washington have ferry systems operating that are essential to the communities they serve without major environmental impact. I am concerned about preserving our unique ecosystem but I see no reason why the SuperFerry should be singled out among all the other interisland and mainland originating seagoing traffic. Please consider that the only whales reportedly hit in Hawaiian waters recently were by the Whale Watch Foundation, Maui. I hear no outcry about this from the Sierra Club and its cronies. Invasive species? Young Brothers and Mattson transport all kinds of plant material, produce, equipment and vehicles between the islands daily with NO inspection as the Super Ferry has in place. I am concerned with doing the right thing. I believe the benefits of an interisland ferry system far outweigh the liabilities.

Change is often difficult and great things are not done without some controversy. Naturally, there are pros and cons to any transportation system. What we can do is to mitigate the problems concerning the environment to best serve our community. I could wax on regarding the boorish and thuggish behavior of the so called environmentalists who protest the SuperFerry but suffice it to say that they do not represent me.

Sincerely,

Rocky Riddell 1068 A Maunawili Rd Kailua, HI 96734 riddellr001@hawaii.rr.com

From:	RON PARSONS [aloha1515@msn.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:47 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	superferry must resume service now

As a resident and taxpayer i fully support the Superferry and believe it should be able to resume service while any environmental studies are conducted. If the Superferry is forced out of hawaii it will be a tremendous blow to free enterprise in hawaii and will cast a dark shadow on our statei.

Please deal with this reasonably, in the majorities interest, and allow the Superferry to resume service. Their will be a tremendous outcry if this does not happen.

thanks fror your consideration, Ronald Parsons, 250 kawaihe st, Honolulu. Hi 96825

From:Paul_Tamashiro@countrywide.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:16 AMTo:testimony

Subject: I am for the Super Ferry. Count me in.



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From:	Francesca Azuremare [fourwinds4@gmail.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:46 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	SUPERFERRY EIS MUST BE DONE FIRST

*IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THE KAUAI GOVT AND FEDERAL GOVT LISTEN TO THE WISHES OF THE KAUAI PEOPLE WHOM THEY SERVE AND RULE THAT THE SUPERFERRY MAY NOT OPERATE WITHOUT THE EIS BEING DONE FIRST.

FRANCESCA AZUREMARE, KILAUEA, KAUAI.

THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF 2007

_COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR _Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senator Clayton Hee, Vice Chair

_COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS _Senator J. Kalani English, Chair Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 TIME: 10:30 a.m. PLACE: Auditorium State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

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Notice is hereby given that the Committees will be hearing a Senate Bill, that will be introduced at the convening of the Second Special Session of 2007 on Wednesday, October 24, 2007; and pending a referral to JDL/TIA/ENE. The subject of this bill will be to permit the operation of an inter-island ferry service in the State of Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted, while at the same time, ensuring that there is adequate protection of the environment The bill will also establish an oversight task force for the purpose of examining the impact of inter-island ferry operations on the communities, environment, and harbor and other infrastructures.\ *Note: Copies of the proposed bill will be available online at www.capitol.hawaii.gov <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/>.

*Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator J. Kalani English, Chair Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senator Ron Menor, Chair

From: Sent: 'To: Subject: Kulamanu [kulamanu@kathyclarkehawaii.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:51 AM testimony I SUPPORT THE SUPER FERRY

Attachments:

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I, Kulamanu Heyer, support the Superferry in Hawaii.

I live on the big island and would like to be able to travel to Honolulu and Kauai with my own car, to visit family.

Nevermind Maui! It's that simple.

Regarding the EIS:

- * Yes, congested roads are an issue with or without the added vehicles there will always be too much traffic. Look at California's roads, miles and miles of slow going traffic - north to south or east to west!
- * Yes, marine life will be affected has been going on for years with the barges, the military ships, commercial craft, and personal recreational boats.
- * Yes, the spread of unwanted species will increase we have the coqui frogs, the heroin dealers and the west nile virus.

Matters not what the human race does - we will always overdo it.....

So bring on the alternative form of transportation - WE NEED IT - competition is a good thing and we have more people than resources......no need for the "other guys" to worry, there is enough for everyone.

We are the silent majority, take it to the polls - let the people speak.

Sincerely, Kulamanu Heyer Hawaiian

From: Thel [thel@kealalegacy.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:06 AM

To: testimony

Subject: I support Hawaii Superferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

To all concerned,

I am a life long resident of Oahu and support the Hawaii Superferry servicing our islands. I would like to see the people of our state, have the choice of travel, be it by air or by sea. I have a great anxiety of flying, and require medication to even get on a plane. The Hawaii Superferry gives me the choice to travel between the islands. Primarily to visit my grandaughter on Kauai. Right now she comes to Oahu 6 - 8 times a year, it would be wonderful to be able to visit her on Kauai, at my leisure, in my vehicle. As it stands right now, there is great concern for the environment and the impact of each isle. I can understand that reasoning, but, people visit the outer isles day in and day out, sometimes for a weekend, sometimes for as long as a month. They fish and enjoy recreational activities each island has. They rent vehicles to travel across these isles, and some even choose to become residents. How wonderful it would be to be able to use my own vehicle, drive off the ferry and straight to where I wanted to go. Many people have never seen the other islands of our State, this would be a means for them to do so. I fully support the Hawaii Superferry, as a resident of the entire State of Hawaii.

Aloha,

T.K.Binz

From: Alex Detrick [radaloha@maui.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:53 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry

We are opposed to the super ferry.

1. There is no parking or sufficient road infrastructure to handle ferry traffic here on Maui.

2. Invasive species of plants and animals can too easily be transported from one island to another.

3. There is good reason to believe whales can be injured or killed by the ferry.

An EIS study is needed to address these issues, and the ferry should not be allowed to operate until satisfactory solutions are clearly identified and in place.

Cathy and Alex Detrick Wallea, Maui, Hawaii

From: Sun Tee's Hawaii [suntees@maui.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:45 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

Aloha Senators

Thank you for coming to Maui on Oct. 22. I do not envy your position. Additionally, I was embarrassed by many speakers for their lack of facts, their bringing up subjects totally unrelated to the issue, their lack of respect for you and your office, and their openly threatening you.

We, the people of Hawaii, need alternative forms of transportation between the islands. I have read the administrations proposed draft; it needs work and I believe you, the Legislative Branch of our government are the best choice and can do a better job of it.

It is only right to treat all commercial carriers, be it by land, sea, or air, the same.

Please, give the Hawaii Superferry a chance.

Respectfully,

John A. Hultquist Jr.

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Fre	om:	Gary Turner [gt4land@hawaiiantel.net]
Se	nt:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:52 AM
То	:	testimony
Subject: Superferry Operation		

Increased population in the last 50 years demand a more capable transportation network to permit the rapid movement people and supplies. This is especially needful to the Big Island highly vulnerable to volcanic eruptions. This system is also overdue in supporting the flow of commerce. Wasn't this lost before?

For whatever reason the Hawaiian Government has found themselves in this predicament, a solution must be found to permit Super operations during the EIR as anything less will mire the State in years of lawsuits, promote a grave

business impression to the rest of the world and deprive the State of overdue alternative transportation.

This is not to infer a lack of controls during the EIR, for stringent measures must be imposed to protect against

proliferation of invasive species, terrorists, and harm to marine animals.

Gary Turner 152734 Papio St Pahoa, HI 96778

From:titi0508@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:52 AMTo:testimonySubject:Support the superferry

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

The Superferry will give a great advantage for Hawaii. Business and tourism will increase for all Islands and it will give tourists something to look forward to when visiting the islands. Superferry is definetly something good for Hawaii!!!

Thank you

Maria Leiva

Email and AIM finally together. You've gotta check out free AOL Mail!

From: Sent: 'To: Subject: nancy goodwin [lcrgal2003@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:46 AM testimony Save the Superferry

Aloha,

I live On the Big Island . WE are so... looking forward to having a ferry service to Hawaii. PLEASE HELP US have this service. My extended family is on Oahu. We are looking forward to seeing each other. I make handmade crafts that could be an extra income for me. With my own transportation the possibility's are greater.HELP US.

Thank-you Nancy Goodwin PO BOX 1515 Kealakekua,Hi. 96750 808-756-4496

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From: Kenton Odo [kenton@mc-arch.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:45 AM

To: testimony

Subject: For Superferry

Please allow the Superferry to sail in Hawaiian Waters.

I am not extremely pro-superferry nor am I against it. However, I do believe in democracy and find it absolutely frustrating that the minority can overrule the majority of us who do not oppose the Superferry. Why does it always have to be the cliché that "the squeaky wheel gets the oil?" As our elected politicians are voted in by majority, the Superferry's fate should be also be determined by majority.

Thank you for your time and understanding.

Aloha, Kenton A. Odo

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From: krisgourlay@gmail.com on behalf of Kris Gourlay [kris@theknggroup.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:53 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry Support

To: Legistlature Public Access Room.

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

Re:Hearing date October 24, 2007 at 10:30am Auditorium, State Capital.

I am in full support of Hawaii Superferry for the benefit of commerce and alternate interisland travel for all residents of the Hawaiian Islands. Yes, complete an Environmental Impact Study but let Superferry operate.

Aloha,

Kris N. Gourlay, Owner The KNG Group LLC "We Love Your Stinkin' Business" 808-682-4564 (work) 808-682-4565 (fax)

From:Lilinoe Young [lilinoeyoung@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:53 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

Aloha käkou,

I am very disappointed that the proponents of the Superferry Have caused all of this hoopla by NOT being PONO from the get go! Where is the Respect for the Protocols of the HOST Culture?

Perhaps these issues may be resolved by allowing them to make Amends and I understand their need to preserve their investments.

So, I SUPPORT a bill that will allow the Superferry to continue operations While it seeks the necessary clearances (environmental impact study) And I hope that the State Legislature will allow continued discussion And dialogue on imposing strict parameters for the Superferry's operations.

Mahalo nö. Pauline Lilinoe Keliipio-Young 197 Desha Avenue Hilo, HI 96720 Phone: 756-6955

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From:Esper Resayo [espergo@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:52 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry Testimony

Hello,

All the People of Hawaii need the SUPERFERRY. Taxes collected from the hard working people of Hawaii to help finance part of this development should not be wasted or just thrown away.

Let us UNITE the Hawaiian Islands, King Kamehameha fulfilled this dream. Rebels should be PUSHED over the Pali as the warrior King did. Why are the NON-Hawaiian bureaucrats ruining something that is for the people of Hawaii and its economy. These types of bureaucrats say they are protecting Hawaii, for what purpose? Hawaiians along with their customs and language were annihilated because of these bureaucrats hunger for power and control. Bring back Unity to Hawaii along with the old and modern ways of life, through transportation, technology, etc.

Would you dream of stopping the cruise ships? Why the double standard? Treat the SUPERFERRY as if it were your own child, it's benefits come in countless ways. Ohana is very important, let's unite all who live in the Hawaiian Islands with easy travel through the SUPERFERRY.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Antonio Resayo

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From: Judith Johnson [hawaiitriplej@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:51 AM

To: testimony

Subject: superferry

This would be a wonderful way to travel between islands. When I was younger I was able to travel on the old Humuųla from Oahu to Hawaii and it was very special. Sincerely, Judith Johnson

Climb to the top of the charts! Play Star Shuffle: the word scramble challenge with star power. Play Now!

Yes.

From:Johnessa Labrador [sales@redsailhawaii.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:21 AMTo:testimonySubject:Support for the superferry

To Whom It May Concern:

I am e-mailing you regarding my support for the Hawaii Superferry. With limited means of transport other than the airlines (who are now under scrutiny), I think that it is important for us to consider the superferry as a possible means of transport to the outer islands. Many families cannot afford the flight, lodging, and renting a car; the superferry will help reunite families who have not been able to visit for awhile due to monetary constraints.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Johnessa

Johnessa Labrador, Sales and Marketing Manager Red Sail Sports 425 Waikoloa Beach Drive Waikoloa, HI 96738 Tel: 808-886-2997 ext. 1295 Fax: 808-886-4169 sales@redsailhawaii.com

From:	Bradley Goda [bradgoda@lava.net]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:44 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	LET THE SUPER FERRY LOOSE!

10-23-2007

I Bradley K. Goda of 3340 Campbell Av.#305 Honolulu Hawaii, 96815

give testimony in FAVOR of the superferry to run its business between the islands of Hawaii. I am a shall business owner that would benefit greatly to transport our sensitive photographic equipment to and from the neighbor islands. Traveling between islands with my own vehicle would be a convenient and wonderful thing, for work or just to visit. I plead to let the superferry do business in Hawaii, what a great way to do business inter-island and vacation.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Bert Basabe [bert.basabe@gmail.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:52 AM testimony superferry

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Aloha,

I support that the EIS is completed before the Superferry begins service.

Sincere regards,

Bertha Basabe

73-1109 Makalapua Road Kailua Kona, Hawaii 96740 808-325-7732

From:	lanej003@hawaii.rr.com
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:51 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Superferry-In Favor Of

Dear Legislators,

We are a family of five that live on the North Shore and would like cheaper alternate travel to the outer islands.

We are in favor of the Superferry operating while performing an EIS. I believe it is as safe or safer for the whales than the other boats out there because of the design, traveling slower might be a recommendation. Also inspecting all cars would be good for not transferring invasive species. I hope this can be worked out and it can operate.

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Thankyou,

Wilma Lane 65-106 Hukilau Loop Waialua, HI 96791 808-637-7982 Support for Hawaii Superferry

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From:Annalisa Bos [lisabos@myhokua.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:36 AMTo:testimonySubject:Support for Hawaii Superferry

Attention to the following senate committees:

Judiciary & Labor Transportation & International Affairs Energy & Environment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24, 2007

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

I am writing in support of the Hawaii Superferry.

Being an Interior Designer with a small business I would really benefit from being able to bring my car by ferry to visit outer island clients.

Please permit the Superferry to be in service while the environmental impact study is being conducted.

Lisa Bos

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From:	TAWNYA SKINNER [tawnyasmiles@msn.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:50 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Let the Superferry Live by Tawnya Skinner Koloa Hawaii
Importance:	High

. . . .

Aloha,

I am writing to you requesting the Hawaii Superferry to be allowed to travel in the waters of Kauai. I feel that the Superferry would be a great mode of transportation for myself and family as well as allowing the local farmers, construction companies to bring their wears over to our Island.

For myself, I have a vehicle that can only be serviced on Oahu and have had to go without a vehicle for a much as 3 weeks because of transporting issues. My family has had to fly over to Oahu many times in the past 8 months to locate materials needed for the remodeling of our home with the added expense of \$150 dollars a day added on to the trip for rental cars as well as the added expense of shipping the materials over seperately all of this could of be avoided if we had access to the Superferry.

I do not understand the negativitie and rudeness and ignorance against the Superferry. The water ways are travelled everyday by the transport companies and cruise lines. How many times do they run over the sea life? How many critters are brought over in the containers? I believe that the local car rental companies and airlines are afraid of losing business.

Please allow the Superferry.

Tawnya Skinner Koloa, Hawaii 808-742-6868

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From: Sent: 'To: Subject: Lisa Rosile [lisa@kathyclarkehawaii.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:50 AM testimony Pro Super Ferry

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Aloha!

I live on the Big Island, and I am in support of the Super Ferry.

The Super Ferry will bring with it many positive opportunities for all islanders.

For us on the Big Island, any opportunity for alternative transportation is welcome.

We are "forced" to go via Honolulu, when trying to fly outer island - so any direct trip will be appreciated.

The Super Ferry will also help business that work with our visitor population (approximately 6 million a year) like ours, offer unique travel opportunities and allow visitors to see many of our islands on one trip.

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Mahalo for your time and consideration of my thoughts and opinions on the Super Ferry.

:) Lisa Rosile

From: Valdred williams [jwilliams002@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:46 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

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

The impact that the SuperFerry will have on the State of Hawaii will be beneficial to all. Firstly, it is another means of transportation between the Islands for the Local residences, for the Tourist Industry, for Business Owners, for our Agriculture Industry, etc;. Secondly, it was our tax dollars spent to redo the harbors to accompany this vessel. And, thirdly, It was the States error in telling the owners of the SuperFerry that it did not need an Environmental Inmpact Statement.

I vote to let the Superferry Sail while the Environmental Impact Statement is being conducted.

Val Williams

From: Wendy Delaura [Wendy.Delaura@centerplate.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:55 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii SuperFerry

My Family and I am in full support for the Hawaii SuperFerry to operate here in Hawaii as a permanent means of transportation, and during the time needed to obtain an environmental permit. Please let the employees work, let the people of Hawaii have the opportunity to use the Superferry for personal and business ventures. We have so long waited for something like this! Mahalo.

Wendy Delaura 172 Puiwa Road Honolulu, Hawaii 96817 808-630-5862

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From:Dawn Rodrigues [Dawn.Rodrigues@maryl.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:51 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii SuperferryImportance:High

ATTENTION:

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Dear Sir or Madam,

I fully support the operation of the Superferry while a full environmental impact assessment is being done! The Superferry, in no way, has disregarded Hawai'i's environment. Having an option to air travel is what Hawai'i needs! If you ask me, the U.S.Coast Guard should be stopped from operating in Hawai'i's waters. These people, who are supposed to be protecting our waters, are the very ones who are contaminating it. It wasn't that long ago that they **intentionally** dumped waste in our waters.

The Hawai'i Superferry is not a hazard! They are not a threat! They deserve to operate!

Thank you for your time in hearing me!

Mahalo-Dawn Mae Rodrigues

Accountant, Corporate/JV

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From:	m: shannon rudolph [shannonkona@gmail.com]	
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:45 AM	
То:	testimony	
Subject	Fwd: NO SPECIAL SESSION, NO SUPERFERRY BILL	

Aloha... please give to:

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Aloha Senators,

Mahalo for coming to the Big Island, we really do welcome you.

Neighbor Islanders know that we are sadly out-numbered by O'ahu legislators; its not a very fair system in cases like this but it has always been this way.

We know we will pour our hearts out to you for justice and you will go back to O'ahu and pass the superferry bill. No one is fooled, here. Its like Honolulu is "The Kremlin" and the Neighbor Islands are Outer Booniestan.

To me, this debacle mostly comes down to how this company got special treatment, which SHOULD be investigated. How can a company and our highest officials be allowed to break our laws, ignore our judges, and now make our legislators accomplices to their crimes? How was this allowed to happen? How can you LET it happen?

All neighbor island infrastructure is maxed out, suffering from decades of neglect by the state. We know we can not handle the additional influx; we know exactly what to expect if you pass this bill.... more traffic, more crime, more homelessness, more over-burdened infrastructure, no rental housing, road rage, and dead whales. Thanks a bunch.

I want to make sure you know of a couple of the things you and your constituents will be getting in return... (I thought about putting "fire ants" on your chairs but didn't want you to call the coast guard on me!)

Very sorry to say it, but like the fools who brought in the mongoose to kill the rat; this legislature will be remembered and cursed for bringing the tiny Coqui frog to O'ahu, and MOST OF ALL, for unleashing the very real possibility of spreading deadly radioactive uranium dust, statewide, by transporting contaminated Strykers on the ferry... you can't see it, you can't taste it, you can't smell it... but its there. (how do you "wash off" DU?)

Again, a sincere mahalo for coming down, Shannon Rudolph P.O. 243 Holualoa, Hi. 96725 (one minute of Coqui frog recording)

Submitted in addition to my testimony, please include:

WHY I VOTE NO ON THE SUPERFERRY BILL (AND DO NOT SUPPORT A SPECIAL SESSION)

- It overturns the unanimous Hawaii Supreme Court decision.
- It overturns Judge Cardoza's decision indicating potential irreparable harm; he heard 22 days of testimony.
- It leaves it to Governor Lingle to create the superferry's operating conditions, BUT It offers NO specific protections for marine animals.
 - It creates NO specific safeguards to protect each island from invasive alien species.
 - It makes NO provision to mitigate traffic and harbor congestion.
 - It neglects to protect residents from inter-island crime and drug shipments.
 - It leaves us vulnerable to theft of natural and cultural resources.

(Unfortunately, to-date Governor Lingle has frustrated all efforts to get any mitigation measures.)

- It allows the superferry to operate free of HRS 343, the Environmental Protection Act.
- It sets up a potentially stacked, 13 month "oversight committee" with NO enforcement capability.
- It denies the County any ability to regulate the superferry.
- It sets a precedent that our courts may be over-ruled by legislators meeting in a "special session" while the public is given only 2 minutes to comment.

I DO NOT SUPPORT A SPECIAL SESSION TO PASS THE SUPERFERRY BILL.

IF YOU PASS THIS BILL I ASK THAT YOU INCLUDE MAUI TOMORROW'S 29 CONDITIONS. And I would like to add, NO RADIOACTIVE STRYKERS ON THE FERRY!

Superferry Operating Conditions Submitted to the Legislature on Behalf of Maui Tomorrow

We strongly oppose operation of Hawaii Superferry during the time it takes to prepare an EA or an EIS. Such operations violate unambiguous Hawai'i law. Maui Circuit Court Judge Joseph E. Cardoza correctly found that such operations caused the possibility of irreparable harm to marine mammals and an increased rate of alien species introductions.

Evidence received during the hearings made it obvious that the Hawaii Superferry project "may" have a significant effect on the environment and, as such, a full EIS is required. Legislative recognition of this inevitability is no real concession to

environmentalists.

We urge the Legislature not to pass this unconstitutional special legislation benefiting a single business, depriving us of vested Constitutional rights and violating the separation of powers by overruling a judicial decision.

If the Legislature has already decided (a) to convene a special session and (b) to allow Hawaii Superferry to operate while an EA or EIS is being prepared, it would be irresponsible of us to abandon the protection of the environment to the same administration that has been dedicated for many years to minimizing legitimate concerns about the Superferry project.

We are compelled to recommend conditions of operation to be imposed by the Legislature, not because we agree that the Superferry can operate (we do not) or because we agree with the proposed legislation or its purposes (we do not), but because it is now necessary to protect Hawai'i from the impacts of the improvident actions of the Lingle Administration and the Legislature if they were to allow the Hawaii Superferry to operate, even after a month long trial amply demonstrated that this would be unlawful and would cause irreparable harm in multiple fashions.

Based on one month of daily testimony from highly qualified experts, the consensus of prevailing expert opinion was that the following mitigation measures are absolutely required to minimize to some responsible degree the possibility of irreparable harm caused by Hawaii Superferry operations during the time it takes to prepare an EA or EIS:

CONDITIONS OF OPERATION

Protection on Marine Mammals and Turtles

- 1. Hawaii Superferry vessels shall travel in routes that are in waters that are in excess of 1000 fathoms.
- 2. If Hawaii Superferry vessels travel in a route that is in any part in waters less than 1000 fathoms, its vessels shall travel at the NOAA recommended speed of no more than 13 knots. The 13 knot limitation shall be inclusive of the first 10 miles of exists and entrances to Honolulu, Kahului and Nawiliwili harbors. At all times, regardless of fathom depth, the ferry shall travel at lesser speeds than provided above as determined by the Captain to provide safe passage to passengers and to minimize strikes of whales.
- 3. Should a Hawaii Superferry vessel strike a marine mammal, a written report of such strike shall be immediately transmitted to NOAA and any other agencies responsible for monitoring and regulating strikes.
- 4. Hawaii Superferry shall immediately apply for and receive from NOAA an incidental take permit and in engage in Section 7 consultation with NOAA regarding the impacts of its ferry operations on protected marine mammals.

Protection Against Introduction of Alien Species

- 5. Hawaii Superferry shall conduct thorough undercarriage washes of all vehicles during embarkation at all ports to help dislodge seeds, insects, and animals. Such undercarriage wash systems shall include appropriate debris traps and filters.
- 6. Hawaii Superferry shall utilize sufficient vacuum stations to vacuum the floors of all vehicles during embarkation. An Appropriate filter system to trap and contain all debris shall be employed.
- 7. Hawaii Superferry shall not permit the transport of plants or plant propagative materials.
- 8. Hawaii Superferry shall secure and pay for all costs to have a dog handler team present at all harbors to conduct inspections of all vehicles at the time of embarkation. These dogs will be utilized to prevent the inter-island transmission primarily of invasive species and secondarily, of drugs.
- 9. Hawaii Superferry shall inspect (a) the trunks of all cars, (b) the beds of all pickup trucks, © the engine compartments of all vehicles and (d) the interiors of all vehicles, items such as coolers, boxes, trunks and luggage shall be opened and inspected.
- 10. agricultural inspections shall not be conducted on a random basis. Every vehicle and passenger shall be inspected or screened.
- 11. Hawaii Superferry shall not permit the transport of fishing nets.
- 12. Hawaii Superferry shall conduct, publish and disseminate a risk assessment within three months of operation to further assess potential impacts and better identify potential mitigation options.
- 13. Hawaii Superferry shall post signage at all harbors about invasive species, Specific information about invasive species shall be disseminated during the ticketing process on Hawaii Superferry's website. Said signage and information shall have been reviewed and approved by a representative of the Maui Invasive Species Committee.

Protection of Customary Native Hawaiian Practices

- 14. Passengers, upon checking in at a harbor, shall declare whether they intend to camp at any destination island. Hawaii Superferry shall disseminate to all passengers who have declared their intent to camp written rules and procedures for camping on the destination island.
- 15. Passengers shall only camp at Federal, State and County campgrounds at destination islands, and then only if they can demonstrate upon checking in that they have obtained in advance permits to camp at those campgrounds.
- 16. Passengers shall not be permitted to transport to another island cultural or natural

resources or products from the ocean, from the shoreline or from the inlands of another island, unless the can demonstrate through a written receipt that the have purchased these items from a legitimate commercial establishment.

17. Should Hawaii Superferry, through the inspection process, discover an attempt to transport natural resources to another island, this transport shall be disallowed and Hawaii Superferry shall immediately notify local DLNR DOCAR officials.

Agricultural Inspections

- 18. There shall be two (2) qualified Department of Agriculture agricultural inspectors present and participating in agricultural inspections at all times of embarkation and disembarkation at each port. The DOA inspectors shall supervise all HSF screeners.
- 19. Hawaii Superferry, as an impact fee, shall pa all costs of the agricultural inspectors required in the foregoing paragraph.
- 20. The State Department of Transportation, in conjunction with the Governor, the State Legislature, and the Department of Agriculture shall forthwith allocate positions and funds for the additional agricultural positions necessary to staff the inspection personnel set forth in paragraph 18 above.
- 21. Hawaii Superferry shall post a bond in the amount of \$40,000,000.00 to reimburse the State for the balance of the funds due, in the event that the Hawaii Superferry does not operate or refuses to follow mitigation measures required b the EIS.

Permission to Operate Applies Only to the Alakai

22. The permission to operate in this Bill is limited solely to the operation of the Alakai and shall not extend to any other vessel or vessels operated b Hawaii Superferry. The "no action" provisions of Chapter 343 shall be fully applicable to all other Superferry vessels, except for the Alakai.

Time Limits

- 23. Hawaii Superferry shall not be able to utilize the lack of a time deadline in HRS Chapter 343 for the completion of the EIS as a means to keep operating for whatever period of time it may take to prepare an EIS. The Alakai shall not be entitled to operate after the expiration of the last day of the fifteenth (15th) month after the date of the adoption of this legislation.
- 24. These conditions of operation shall, however, be applicable to any and all Hawaii Superferries irrespective of whether they operate before or after the preparation of the EIS.

Verification of Compliance

- 25. Designated representatives of Plaintiff groups shall be entitled to verify Hawaii Department of Transportation's and Hawaii Superferry's compliance with all the foregoing.
- 26. In order to accomplish the foregoing, the designated representatives of Plaintiffs

in Sierra Club et. al. v. HDOT: Civil No. 05-1-0114(3) shall be granted access to all State lands granted at all ports to Hawaii Superferry for its operations

Enforcement of Conditions

- 27. The foregoing conditions of operation may be enforced by the Attorney General of the State of Hawai'i and by Plaintiffs in Sierra Club et .al. v. HDOT: Civil No. 05-1-0114(3).
- 28. These conditions may be enforced in any Circuit Court in the State of Hawaii and the prevailing party shall be entitled to the reimbursement of reasonable attorney's fees and costs.
- 29. An allowable remedy in any such enforcement action shall be the cessation of Hawaii Superferry operations until and unless compliance is achieved with the foregoing conditions.

From:Crystal [crystal@philiprickardhonolulu.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:58 AMTo:testimonySubject:TESTIMONY

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

Hearing date: Wednesday, October 24

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

My name is Crystal Nicholson and I would like you to vote yes to have the Superferry continue interisland ferry service. My mother and father are both handicapped and in motor wheel chairs. My mother is unable to fly and has been Oahu bound for over 15 years because of this. My father is unable to walk because of a damaged knee and will not fly without my mother. We were planning to drive my vehicle with their wheel chairs to the ferry so they would be able to travel to all the islands again. My parents have not visited the islands in many years and this was a great opportunity for them. It saddens me that some individuals are unable to look beyond to see the major benefit this would bring to all the islands and individuals that are unable to visit due to restrictions.

Thank you for your time.

Crystal Nicholson

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From:Eddie Sheehan [doo.wopp@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:48 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry

Why does the Super Ferry rate special treatment with a special legislative session?

The law is the law and it's not right to change it for one special entity. Campaign money or not!

What if you allow it to proceed while doing the Impact study and it comes back (as it will) negative?

Then for six months or so the environment is that much more damaged.

Who's doing the study? The same clowns from DOT that let it fly before? That's scarey. and who is their boss? Lingle?? What's wrong with this picture?

If the Super Ferry goes bellyup so be it, that's business.

I suggest putting the special session on the back burner and find out <u>why</u> with an investigation it was allowed to proceed in the first place. That's the priority here!

I'm not for or against the ferry but I am concerened it will take out a few whales for sure.

Actually it's not cost effective to use the ferry anyway.....It's far too expensive. If it's allowed to run during the testing it will eventually fold financially.

I booked a hypothetical trip for my wife and myself to take our Corvette to Oahu for a few days on the ferry....\$450.00. Not cost effective at all. Go Airlines \$39.00 or less each way and a rental car from Enterprise \$30.00......You do the math!

I repeat....I can take it or leave it....but their not entitled to special treatment!!

Edward Sheehan 444 Puuopae Rd Kapaa, Hi. 96746 808-822-0630

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Dear Legislatures;

I want to extend my support for the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawaii while an

environmental impact statement is being conducted. I personally see the service as a needed alternative

to air travel between the islands, beneficial and wanted by the majority population. With controls in place

to monitor concerns of the minority until a full assessment is finalized should be considered a satisfactory

compromise for both sides.

Sincerely,

Harriette Davidson

10/24 8:29am

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Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:55 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry!!

My whole family, all my friends and everyone I have spoken to....Are Strongly in favor of the Super Ferry.

Carolyn Loeffler (808) 935-4422

From: Sent: To: Subject: Charles Campbell [campbell@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:56 AM testimony Super Ferry

Dear Lawmaker,

It is of the utmost importance that the Super Ferry be allowed to travel between the Hawaiian Islands. The company has covered all the concerns that have been brought up to try and stop a modern means of water transportation.

Using the ocean for travel has been used in the islands for hundreds of years. It will be especially beneficial to our island economy to have another form of transportation. It will be a boost for tourism and island folks alike.

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Sincerely,

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From:Emailgto@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:44 AMTo:testimonySubject:For Super Ferry

I am for the superferry

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From: Nacario, Robert R CIV FISC [robert.nacario@navy.mil]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:54 AM

To: testimony

Subject: My layman opinion

To whom it may concern;

I believe what comes to the forefront of everyone's mind is the financial investment when considering the Superferry. What people fail to recognize is what is really at the core of the Superferry.

And that is the basic concept of, in layman's terms, "the joy and excitement of packing your family, friends and your car on a boat to visit the other islands of Hawaii for a short stay".

This basic concept is fundamental to our culture of ohana, and I believe, is why the superferry has come into existence. The people of Hawaii welcome with open arms any tourists sharing in our ohana experience of interisland travel. I believe this will be the only venue where locals and visitors to our islands will have this type of first hand intimate encounter with each other. This encounter on this exquisitely unique single venue turns locals and visitors alike into tourists to the state of Hawaii. The growth of this external/internal visitor industry holds immense possibilities of social, culinary, cultural, etc., interaction, exchange and development which could only come into existence because of the Superferry.

The seed of the promise of cultural and community exchanges between locals on an equal par with our visitor friends must be allowed to be planted and allowed to blossom.

I'm certain that many years from now, when all is said and done it will be this cultural development of people that will be the Superferry's greatest gift to the islands as well as the world community it touches. Not the money.

In closing, I cannot help but associate opponents to the superferry as people who live a safe, protected life, untrusting of people or ideas foreign to themselves. I don't see them as adversaries and I respect that they are protective of the islands and respect that they care. I believe that once the industry develops they will be at the forefront of its design because its successful growth and development will be because people care about our islands and only want deep rooted positive change. It would be a crime to not allow the awesome potential of the cultural dynamics involved to develop.

Bobby R. Nacario Jr. JPPSO - Hawaii (808) 473-7750 (808) 474-4580, fax robert.nacario@navy.mil

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From:Bill Bergstrom [dorris@hialoha.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:31 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Ferry

Let the ferry run....This has gone on far enough...Who are these jerks on the other islands who do not want visitors..that think they are special and wish no one would ruin their lives by going there? Bill and Dorris Bergstrom...Pahoa, Hawaii

From: Whalen, Sharon [Sharon.Whalen@twtelecom.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:54 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Support of SuperFerry

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I am emailing in support of the SuperFerry as I believe it will be of great benefit to the majority of people in Hawaii as another means of inter-island travel, especially for families, sports groups, special needs persons (handicapped equipped vans, etc) not to mention the chance to sail between the islands and enjoy the beauty of the islands from the ocean.

Thank you, Sharon Whalen 45-039 Waikalualoko Loop Kaneohe, HI 96744

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From: Rebecca Beckley [beckleyb2003@yahoo.com]Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:27 AMTo: testimony

I believe we need the Superferry as another means of transportation between islands. I do believe we also need to be aware of protecting the breeding waters of the whales during that season by slowing down the boats during those months that are know to be saturated with whale population calfing here in Hawaii(Dec-March). I feel there should also be restrictions placed on the commercial fishermen that will fish out the waters of the outer islands depleting them as we have witnessed on Oahu and using the Superferry as a means of transporting commercial loads of fish. These are my concerns regarding the Superferry, however, I believe the benefit as a whole to the State of HI far exceed the possible damages HI could sustain. We are a state that does not connect land to land. The Superferry could help change this for the many families separated by ocean.

Rebecca Beckley Duong

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From:Daniel Rokovitz/Harry Samelson [samelson_rokovitz@hawaiiantel.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:45 AMTo:testimonySubject:I support Hawaii Superferry

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I support the Hawaii Superferry. I believe an exception should be granted allowing the Superferry to operate while an environmental impact study is conducted. As cruise lines, freight companies, and tour operators have benefited from state funded improvements to the harbors without the requirements of additional studies, I believe the Supperferry should be awarded the same courtesy.

Daniel E Rokovitz

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From:	RW [sa_stamm@yahoo.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:47 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Superferry

To: Judiciary & Labor; Transportation & Int'l Affairs; and Energy & Environment Committees.

Subject: Superferry

As a tax paying citizen for over twenty years in Hawaii, I truly feel that if the majority of Hawaii residents want the Superferry, then it should be allowed to operate during the EIS and/or EA. The Superferry will give residents another option in interisland travel that opens up the free market causing other modes of transportation to lower their costs instead of propagating the existing monopoly of the local air carriers & shipping companies that have continued to raise rates and stiffle interisland commerce & travel.

Mahalo, Richard Stamm Mililani, HI.

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From: Bob Smith [smith6849@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:54 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Yes to Superferry

Aloha State Senators and Representatives,

TO:

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

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I am in favor of allowing the superferry to operate with appropriate safeguards while an EIS is being completed. I understand from the polls I have heard about, that most residents are also in favor.

The State has a responsibility to the people (taxpayers) to make this work. The State also has a responsibility to the Superferry since it led them to believe that an EIS was not needed. If the Superferry leaves, the State will be left with a huge bill to pay and additional legal liability.

I consider myself an environmentalist but I am far more concerned about the impact of cruise ships than the Superferry.

Similar ferry systems already operate in various locations around the world in a successfull and responsible manner.

Please support the Superferry. Mahalo, Bob Smith

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From:Fred [MERDERF1@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:53 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

Please vote in favor of the Superferry. It only makes common sense to have an alternative method of transportation to the outer islands if for no other reasons than in case of an emergency. Does hurricane Ineke ring a bell Kauai?

Fred Remington 92-1353 Hoalii St Kapolei, HI 96707 808-672-5213





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From:wnba3cats@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:53 AMTo:testimonySubject:superferry

As a resident of Hawaii I feel that the superferry is a much needed method of transportation for our island state. Hawaii has been lacking this form of travel and now that we have the opportunity to make it work here I hope that we don't lose this chance. I am sure that the majority of local people want this service. Please allow the superferry to provide this much needed alternative for our residents. Thank you. Nancy Ajolo

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From: J. McCaskill [aliikona@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:25 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Please pass the Super Ferry bill !!!!!

I understand this special session of the

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will decide the fate of Hawaii Superferry and the opportunity to have interisland ferry service. I AM TOTALLY IN SUPPORT of THE BILL THAT WILL Permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

My business often takes me to the different islands and this would not only save me money, as we all know the islands are very exspensive to live on, but it would be an efficient, pleasant way to travel and I could take my own car.

PLEASE PASS THIS BILL!

Best Regards, Olga J. McCaskill 77-6483 Alii Drive * Kailua Kona, Hawaii 96740-2407 Office 808.324.6444 * Cell 808.895.2203 *

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

Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:30 am Auditorium, State Capital

Testimony of Ross Murakami

In Favor of the Superferry

Chair Taniguchi, Vice Chair Hee, and Committee members: Chair English, Vice Chair Gabbard and Committee members: Chair Menor, Vice Chair Hooser and Committee members:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

As a current Oahu resident that grew up on the Big Island, I viewed the introduction of the Superferry service to Hawaii with enthusiasm and appreciation.

The challenges of establishing a marine-based inter-island transportation service have claimed many victims in the past (e.g. Sea Flite, Navatech. etc.). So to see the level of investor support of the Superferry concept was certainly encouraging. The owners and management of the Superferry should be commended for their courage and commitment to bring a vital service that serves to bring the various island communities in Hawaii closer together. Accordingly, it is very disappointing and discouraging to see a small but vocal minority of residents become such a barrier to the fulfillment of a long-held desire to find a cost efficient and effective alternative to inter-island shipping and travel.

I urge the legislators to find the same courage that the founders of the Superferry have demonstrated throughout this long journey to improve the quality of life in Hawaii. Please support the change in our statutes to allow the Superferry to operate as intended.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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From: Susan Spears [trsicecz@yahoo.com] Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:27 AM

To: testimony

Subject: testemony

I believe in the Supper Ferry as a means to breaking the shipping monopoly.

- As a great family getaway. As progress for the islands.

- For travelers who are afriad to fly.

- For movers with a car load of belongings.

- To oppose the protesters who are so rude and think they have the right to Bully!

Susan Spears Kauai Hawaii

testimony

From:Don Albrecht [hawaiiwoodturner@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:46 AMTo:testimonySubject:Support the Hawaii Superferry

My wife and I both are in support of the bill that will permit inter island ferry service while an EIS is being conducted. As a whole, our state will lose millions in revenue if the ferry is not allowed to run. Tourism is going to suffer if not already from the media attention in other states and countries. We now have a chance to travel between the islands other than flying at a much lower fare than on a cruise ship.

Aloha, Don & Pat Albrecht Mt. View, HI

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Dianne O'Steen [djosteen@hawaiiantel.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:53 AM testimony Super Ferry Testimony

Dear Legislators,

I have lived in Hawaii for 35 years on Oahu, and I am in favor of the Super Ferry.

We do not have any kind of vessel on any of the islands to help us get between islands with emergency equipment, supplies, etc., should we have a natural disaster. That was proven when Iniki occurred. That should be enough testimony in itself. The State of Hawaii or a private individual cannot maintain a vessel of this size and capability for this purpose without the private sector getting involved. It could save human lives.

I feel that the any law making special demands on this vessel are discriminatory. None of the restrictions current apply to the inter- island air carriers (no fruits or plants), the barges (the cars have to be wash and vacuumed), and the cruise ships (speed, etc.).

Unless you own or charter a boat, besides air travel, there is no way for me to get to another island. This is discriminatory against me, a tax paying, law abiding citizen of the State of Hawaii.

All polls show that the majority of our citizens want the Super Ferry. When did the minority prevail of the majority.

Thank you for your consideration and that you will go forward with the wishes of your constituents.

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Aloha, Dianne O'Steen 1630 Liholiho St. #2308 Honolulu, HI 545-5272

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From: Al Beeman [albeeman@yahoo.com]

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

To: testimony; Rachel Fordyce

Subject: Support for SuperFerry returning to full operation during EIS

email to: <testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov>,

TESTIMONY TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

HEARING DATE: WEDNESDAY, October 24, 2007

Room: Auditorium, State Capitol

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To: Chair Senator J. K. English, Senator L. R. Vice Chair M. Gabbard

and all Committee Members

Committee on Transportation and International Affairs

Chair Senator R. Menor, Vice Chair Senator G.L. Hooser

And all Committee Members

Committee on Energy and Environment

From: Albert E. Beeman, Private Citizen

908 Kumukoa StreetHilo , HI 96720

Tel: 808-895-1813

Subject: Support for SuperFerry returning to full operation during EIS



Aloha Committee Members!!!

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 sta has inter-island ferry service. I further urge the Legislature to ensure that progress continues at the harba facilities on the Big Island to accommodate the new SuperFerry on time. We on Big Island are waiting patiently for ferry service to Honolulu and hopefully

Me Ka Mahalo, (Respectfully) Albert E. Beeman Hilo



From: Nancy L. Hedlund, Ph.D. [nancylhedlund@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:32 AM

- To: testimony; Sen. Brian Taniguchi; Sen. Clayton Hee; Sen. J. Kalani English; Sen. Mike Gabbard; Sen. Ron Menor; Sen. Gary Hooser; Gov. Linda Lingle
- Subject: TESTIMONY OPPOSING GO-AHEAD ON SUPERFERRY WITHOUT EIS Hearing 10/24 Please Make Copies

TESTIMONY OPPOSING THE GO-AHEAD ON SUPERFERRY WITHOUT PRIOR EIS

Submitted to:

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senator Clayton Hee, Vice Chair COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS Senator J. Kalani English, Chair Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT Senator Ron Menor, Chair Senator Gary L. Hooser, Vice Chair

For Hearing on: Wednesday, October 24, 2007

Submitted by: Nancy Hedlund, Concerned Citizen, Honolulu, Hawai'i

There are many reasons why informed citizens with a <u>conscience</u> are opposing the way the Superferry is being implemented, advanced, promoted, and excused from law, by the Governor, some legislators, and those who support economic development over principle.

But this is not the way for law-abiding citizens, public servants, and government to proceed with developments that are argued to be in the "public interest."

No public interest is served by breaking, bending, avoiding, or otherwise constraining the law.

Our constitution is now <u>seriously</u> jeopardized in Hawai'i. Yes, not only our US Constitution, but our Hawai'i Constitution as well.

Please do not underestimate what this would say to citizens – if any one or more Legislators were to endorse the bypassing of law, endorse the bypassing of requirements for Environmental Impact Statements, or endorse the bypassing of these requirements by Legislators, government employees, and the Governor (of all people). *The governor actually blamed the judges*.

For those who cannot honor the Constitution and the law, we urge the consideration and assessment of recognized environmental hazards *prior to operation of the Superferry*. Many others will offer testimony to these risks and we are hopeful that the weight of this evidence will cause an honorable deferral of the Superferry until the EIS is completed.

Respectfully Submitted - Nancy Hedlund

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allow the super ferry to operate during the eis study!!

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From: Sent: 'To: Subject: Jo Youngs [jojoyoungs@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:32 AM testimony Ferry Support

Aloha,

My family and I are in total support of the Super ferry. We have been looking forward to this addition for some time. I makes it possible to have a nice inter-Island family vacation. I think we will not go to Kauai for some time due to the actions of a few. Thank you Jo E. Youngs (808)259-7459

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Richard Helmick [ilah145@hawaliantel.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:58 AM testimony Superferry Operation

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is very, very important, in my opinion, for the Superferry to be permitted to operate while the now-required environmental study is in process. The reasons are myriad; but suffice to say that any possible damage to the environment is not irreparable and can be dealt with in the event the completed environmental study discloses problems which must be solved.

Thank you for your attention.

Aloha, Richard R. Helmick

HAWAII SUPER FERRY

testimony

From:	Wendy Arnado [wlarnado@welcometotheislands.com]	
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:58 AM	,
To:	testimony	
Subject:	HAWAII SUPER FERRY	

Attachments: Wendy L. Arnado (wlarnado@welcometotheislands.com).vcf

I am in support of the ferry as a needed addition to providing an alternative to get to the neighbor islands. It's obvious that our politicians are fillerbustering, especially when this is no different than any other boats/ships that are navigating the Hawaiian waters.

Wendy L. Arnado Director of Sales Corporate & Custom Division Island Heritage, Island Plantations, and Island Bath & Body Divisions of The Madden Corporation Website: welcometotheislands.com Tel: (808) 564-8815/ Fax: (808) 564-8877 94-411 Koaki Street, Waipahu, HI 96797

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From:Nani Leong [nleong@monarch-hi.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:58 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry

I support the Super Ferry for the State of Hawaii.

This is a great opportunity for the people to have another choice of transportation especially if the airlines keep increasing their fares.

We also have the choice to use our personal vehicles and not have to pay for car rentals.

The outer islands will also benefit. By having more visitors, this should increase their economy.

They shouldn't feel that we are invading their island. After all, they too also visit other islands. What's wrong with supporting each other and boosting the economy in each island? Keep the money in the islands!

Aloha,

N. Leong



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From: Sent: 'To: Subject: Rick Lowe [rlowe@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:42 AM testimony Superferry

I think the super-ferry should be able to run. Other major cities that have ferry service, seem not to have any of these problems. I think the super-ferry will help to bring Hawaii in to the 21st century

Rick Lowe 225 Kaiulani Ave #1001 Honoulu Hi 96815

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From: R,Leonard [homecoder@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:57 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

To whom it may Concern,

My husband and I own property on Oahu and were looking forward to retiring and using the Superferry to go interisland with our own vehicle.

After seeing how badly this whole incident was managed, we are now not sure that we want to remain there for retirement.

Though we agree the environment should not be harmed, it seems to us that the people of Hawaii approved this long ago. It also seems to us that Hawaii seems to want the tourist dollars, but no longer has any Aloha spirit. We are very disappointed with this whole incident and may consider selling this retirement home and purchasing somewhere else where the native people are more welcoming.

Thank you for your time. Robert and Renee Leonard 85-175 Farrington Hwy C-315 Waianae, HI.96792 603.776.0776

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From: Jon Gomes [jon@jongomes.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:30 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry

I am in support of letting the superferry operate while a EA or EIS is being completed. I have reviewed the draft legislation and believe any impacts, if any, to the environment will be mitigated while the EA or EIS is being completed.

Thank you,

Jon Gomes

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From: Louis D. Rogers [louisrogers@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:43 AM

To: testimony

Subject: in support of hawaii superferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Aloha,

Most importantly, I understand the effects of human involvement with nature and how that involvement can impact the environment. However, when good judgment and a conscience effort is committed to being one with nature a harmonious union can exist. That is to say, between man, machine, the environment and the animals of the ocean.

Furthermore, I am in favor of Hawaii Superferry and the opportunity to have interisland (interstate) ferry service. My personal reasons are that I would enjoy the opportunity to visit family or attend functions on the other islands. And of course, be able to drive my own vehicle and not have to rent one. Furthermore, I am in support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. This necessary study should have been started before the ferry was built.

Mahalo,

Louis D. Rogers

testimony

From: MaryAnn T. Daligcon [maryann@colliershawaii.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:57 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry

To whom this may concern:

I would like to see the Superferry in operation. I don't understand why the people of Maui and Kauai don't want the people of Oahu to have another means of transportation to and from the other islands. I would like to one day take the ferry to visit my family on Maui with my own car.

We may be different islands, but we are all part of the 50th State called HAWAII.

MaryAnn T. Daligcon Sr. Accountant

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From: Kenneth K. Kameoka [palaka23@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:43 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry Hawaii

Dear Legislatures, I am in support of the super Ferry and its operations in Hawaii. It will give us another option to travel interisland and may bring in more competition for interisland freight. Please give SFH a chance to operate and and bring in more job opportunities for our employment market. Mahalo. Ken Kameoka

From: Meredith Chapman [MeredithC@cbpacific.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:58 AM

To: testimony

Subject: I Support the Superferry!

I am 100% in support of expediting the Superferry's business in Hawaii.

Let's stop playing the blame game and get on with doing business here in Hawaii. Everyone had an opportunity to verbalize their feelings and that was a long time ago. The resolution was signed in 2004 and then would have been the time for the legislators to ask their questions, not now! We taxpayers do not want to be stuck with the \$40 million bill for harbor improvements. We too are environmentally conscientious, but to single out one form of alternative transportation is ludicrous.

Let's move into the 21st Century and get the Superferry sailing!

Mahalo,

Meredith Chapman Coldwell Banker Pacific Properties Front Desk Coordinator, Waikiki (808) 387-5034 cellular (808) 944-1888 office MeredithC@cbpacific.com

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From:Mike Tindall [mc208b@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:16 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry hearings

Hello all,

I live on Maui and am in full support of allowing the HSF to operate while the EA/EIS is being done.

I could not attend the meeting yesterday here as I was at work.

Since the supporters of the HSF were booed and jeered, it's probably best that I did not attend.

I do intend to utilize transport on the HSF between Maui and Oahu. It is nice to have an option to get around these islands other than the airlines.

I hope that you do represent the MAJORITY of Hawaii residents and approve the return to service of the HSF.

Sincerely,

Michael C Tindall Wailuku, HI 808-214-4121

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From: Edward Smith [esmith@aloha.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:35 AM

To: testimony

Subject: SuperFerry Support

I support the efforts to get the Superferry up and running.

We need an alternative mode of transportation in Hawaii.

We do not need to treat the Superferry in a negative manner.

The ruling of Judge Cardoza and the Hawaii Supreme Court should be overturned by the Legislature and the Governor.

The Law Offices of Edward J.S.F. Smith Attorney at Law, A Law Corporation 758 Kapahulu Ave, Suite 250 Honolulu, HI 96816 (808) 523-6936 Fax (808) 735-1875 esmith@aloha.com

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From:Josie Felicitas [josief@groupbuilders.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:57 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

The superferry must be allowed to sail so those people who are scared to ride in an airplane can use this to travel to other islands. The produce from other islands can be transported faster.

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From: Rodney Alensonorin [ralensonorin@hemic.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:43 AM

To: testimony

Subject: I support Superferry

Because of the lack of foresight by all contributing to this debacle my family and I missed the opportunity to travel to Maui on the Super Ferry on the weekend of October 12th. We had planned to take the Superferry to attend a Tae Kwan Do Tournament on Maui and stay a few more days staying in hotels, visiting family and do some sightseeing for a few days using our own vehicle. Not stealing rocks from river or transporting contraband. As it turned out because of the lack of service we took a flight over early Saturday morning, attended the tournament only to return Saturday evening before dark. I'm disappointed that we have to go through this exercise to support interisland service like the Hawaii SuperFerry. Please do what is necessary and legal to make this a reality. The people of Hawaii will only suffer another blow to our interisland transportation if this fails. Don't make it even more difficult on the people that are law abiding just because of a few idiots. I'm okay with security checks. We already have to go through this at the airport. Make sense instead of making it difficult. Placing difficult procedures or restrictions is also ridiculous and Legislatures should be held accountable.

Mahalo! Rodney Alensonorin

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From: Sent: 'To: wanett@hawaiiantel.net Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:57 AM testimony

I don't understand what these people are complaining about opposing the Super Ferry. I see it as revenues being generated to that County.

Being able to bring their vehicles would mean they would stay longer and spend more money (food and lodging). If the opposed feel that this is hurting the environment then what about the barges coming in to drop off merchandise? All these things should be flown in and the cost will be paid the by the people there.

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From:	KC at Romance.travel [KC@Romance.travel]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:45 AM
То:	testimony
Subject:	Energy & Environment: We Support Hawaii Superferry!
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Energy & Environment: We Support Hawaii Superferry!

Senate Committees:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Mahalo for hearing our voices,

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From: Liane A. Akana [lakana@carlsmith.com]

- Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:43 AM
- To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

To the following:

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

I am in favor of the Hawaii Superferry running during the EIS, because it provides another means of transportation (surrounded by water) making use of our natural resources.

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From: Mitchell Kanekoa iii [mkanekoa@asbhawaii.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:57 AM

To: testimony

Subject: SAVE THE SUPERFERRY!!!

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

In regards to the Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2007, Time and Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol,

I, Mitchell Kanekoa III, my wife, Norma Kanekoa and my daughter, Chanel Kanekoa, do testify to **SUPPORT** the SUPERFERRY. Thousands of Hawaii residents support the SUPERFERRY, but those thousands are hard working citizens that don't have time to attend meetings and waste time in the ocean trying to prevent Americans from their freedom to travel from island to island. If elections were held today to support or abort the SUPERFERRY, I believe the majority and more of the citizens of Hawaii would vote "YES" for the SUPERFERRY. This is America, not a third world country ruled by a dictator. In a democratic society, decisions that effect the whole state of Hawaii cannot be decided by a group of unruly activists. Please PASS the bill that will PERMIT interisland ferry service in Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

Aloha,

Mitchell Kanekoa III Consumer Loan Adjustor Collections and Recovery Services PH: 808-846-4645 FAX: 808-846-4628

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From: Sherry Kaku [Kakus@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:57 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry

To: The Judiciary & Labor, Transportation & International Affairs, & Energy & Environment

I support the Superferry because it provides those who are terrified to fly with another means of transportation to another island. Please take this into consideration when making your decision.

Sincerely,

Sherry Kaku

From: Pat [Pat@co-ha.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:58 AM

To: testimony

Cc: Sen. Brian Taniguchi

Subject: Superferry

Aloha: Please let me offer my COMPLETE SUPPORT for the Superferry. I hope you include provisions in the legislation to jail those who illegally try to prevent the Superferry's operation.

Sincerely,

Pat Laughlin Hawaii taxpayer

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From:	Cheryl Langton [clangton@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:43 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Please don't drive Hawaii's Superferry away!

The Hawaii Superferry could be one of the best things to happen for these islands in the 30 years that I have lived on the Big Island. Is anything ever built, or introduced here without the same group of people trying to stop change. This is a wonderful, state of the art transportation option for many of our residents and small business owners. Let us decide if we want to use the ferry. There has not been one valid, logical reason to prevent it from sailing between the islands. Why must Hawaii be so terribly business unfriendly and unfair? I wonder who is paying the protesters. They certainly do not speak for the majority, or the good of this state.

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 From:
 Kai Li Woolworth [KailiW@pacificaccessescrow.com]

 Sent:
 Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:57 AM

 To:
 testimony

 Subject:
 Superferry Supporter

Aloha Senate Representatives,

As a registered and faithful voter in the state of Hawaii, I am a staunch supporter of the Hawaii Superferry. A special session is imperative to keep this service here for the use of the Hawaii people. I, along with my family, friends and colleagues feel we cannot continue to support those who refuse to listen to the majority of their constituents. Please keep in mind that while environmental groups are vocal and have a lot of time to attend public hearings in the middle of the workday, they do not represent the majority of the voting public.

Additionally, three years ago the Senate passed resolution 79 promoting and expediting the ferry service. Why now the change of heart? Why are Young Brother's, the cruise lines and whale watching tours exempt from environmental conditions? Isn't this a form of discrimination? Finally, having special interest environmental groups impose conditions on a business they publicly oppose is like asking terrorists to give their input on our homeland security. It is self-defeating!

The Superferry is a needed form of transportation for the future growth of these islands. I urge to you please listen to the majority of your constituents and not to the environmental groups and their attorneys. Save the Superferry and them operate without the ridiculous conditions environmental groups want to impose on this sole business. Thank you.

Mahalo!

Kai Li Woolworth

From:	Bert Susan [bertsusan@hotmail.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:42 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Let the Superferry Sail

Dear Legislatures, What a fine mess you made. Gasahol was bad enough - lower milelage use more gas- cost more money - no local plant. No foresight about environment impact. Superferry is tremendous idea, but it wont sail because you will be too afraid to do what's right. A good definition of "stupidity" is our friendly, no balls legislature. P.S. Blue bin is for recyclables. What about the 6 cents fee we are paying? Time to recycle our legislature. ALOHA

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

Yes

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

RE: Support for Hawaii Superferry

Honorable Sirs/Madams:

I, D. Jason Scott, wish to testify to my support for allowing the Hawaii Superferry to operate while and during preparations of any environmental impact statements or documents pertaining to such. It is my belief that allowing the Superferry to operate while and during preparations of any environmental impact statements is both in the public's best interest and in compliance with the spirit of all applicable state laws.

Regards,

And

D. Jason Scott

TESTIMONY OF NAOMI KANNA HAWAII RESIDENT District 8 – Aina Haina

OCTOBER 23, 2007

RE: HAWAII SUPERFERRY

Good Morning chairs Hee, English & Menor and members of the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs and Energy and Environment. I am Naomi Kanna, Hawaii Resident living in District 8 – Aina Haina.

I am writing **IN SUPPORT** of the Hawaii Superferry to be allowed to operate and provide inter-island ferry service between the islands of Oahu, Maui, Kauai and Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. I feel that it is vital that we provide the residents with another alternative for transportation between the neighbor islands besides air transportation. Although I will most likely use it for leisure travel, many other residents will use the ferry for business purposes. For them, it is a matter of economics and we should not deprive them of the opportunity to conduct business on other islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

** nkanna8@hotmail.com **

From: Madison LaRue [myxtra13@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:29 AM

To: testimony

Subject: RE: HAWAII SUPERFERRY HEARING DATE OCTOBER 24!!!!!!!!

TO: JUDICIARY AND LABOR, TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, AND ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT.

REGARDING :HEARING DATE OCTOBER 24TH,2007, 10:30 A.M. AT THE AUDITORIUM AT THE STATE CAPITOL.

AS A HAWAII RESIDENT BOTH MYSELF AND MY BOYFRIEND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING THE FERRY TO VISIT WITH OUR VEHICHLE TO OTHER ISLANDS FOR WEEKENDS, HOLIDAYS AND VACATIONS. BY HAVING THE FERRY WE WOULD AND COULD SAVE MONEY ON CAR RENTALS AND DEPENDING ON HOW MUCH TIME WE STAY HOTEL COSTS TOO (WE HAVE A VAN). WE DON'T FEEL THERE IS ANY ISSUE OR DANGER TO THE ENVIRONMENT BECAUSE THE PEOPLE WHO BUILT THE FERRY TOOK ALL NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT.

IF PEOPLE HAVE CONCERNS REGARDING THE SUPERFERRY, THEN ALL CRUISE SHIPS MUST BE CEASED IN HAWAII WATERS TOO. WE FEEL THEY ARE MORE OF A DANGER TO SEA LIFE THAN THE SUPERFERRY. PLEASE LET IT BE AND LET THE SUPERFERRY JOIN ALL ISLANDERS TOGETHER AND GIVE PEOPLE MORE OPPORTUNITY AT A REASONABLE COST TO VISIT FRIENDS AND FAMILIES ON ALL ISLANDS.

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Mahalo!

Kai Li Woolworth

From: Tom Ocasek [TOcasek@mwgroup.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:55 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Trestimony for Hawai Super Ferry

I support the Hawaii Super Ferry being able to operate for the following reasons.

1. It will service a transportation need.

2. It has already been approved - We are sending the wrong message about doing business in Hawaii just like Hokuli'a on the Big Island. One part of the governement permits it only to have another part stop it after the money has been spent.

3. a very minute number of people are stopping something that the vast majority want.

Respectfully Submitted, Tom Ocasek

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From: jlpretsch@aol.comSent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:44 AMTo: testimony

PLEASE KNOW THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE ON THE BIG ISLAND WANT AND NEED THE SUPERFERRY! LET US KNOW WHAT WE CAN DO TO HELP MAKE THIS HAPPEN. JOE & LEE PRETSCH KAILUA KONA 808-325-7999

Email and AIM finally together. You've gotta check out free AOL Mail!

YES

From:Ofie Schamber [ofies@hicommfcu.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:57 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

I would like the Superferry to start its passage now. I have a friend who has cancer and she needs this service so she can travel to Honolulu with ease for her cancer treatment.



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From:Louis and Irma [luir@hotmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:57 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry

Gentlemen: It is with great respect we request that the super ferry will be allowed to travel on Hawaiian waters for the good of all of us.

Louis & Irma Barretto 808-206-9330

From: Jess Craven [jesscraven@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:55 AM

To: testimony

Subject: please allow Superferry to sail

Aloha,

Please allow the Superferry to operate while and EIS is being done. I didn't go to the hearing yesterday on Maui because I had to work, but I support the Superferry and look forward to using it for business and pleasure, but most importantly for business. All my friends and family also support the Superferry.

Thank you,

Jess Craven Lahaina

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From:MauiRainMan@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:44 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

I am in favor of the proposal to allow the Superferry to operate during the time an environemental impact study is completed.

John Earls <u>Mauirainman@aol.com</u> 808-283-9206 Kahana Maui

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From: Kaia Anderson [kaiaanderson@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:49 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Testimony in favor of Hawaii SuperFerry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Aloha,

I am writing in favor of the operation of the Hawaii SuperFerry. I was born and raised here on the Big Island and have literally been waiting my whole life for this to come along and am totally amazed at what is going it on. It is really ridiculous. The vessel has been designed and engineered to be as environmentally responsive and responsible as possible. I haven't heard this about any other ships sailing our waters. It would have been wonderful to have this ferry when I was in college at UH Manoa. Please vote in favor of the SuperFerry.

Mahalo,

Kaia Anderson, RS

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YES

From:Fred Cowell, R(S) [gr8coffee@earthlink.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:41 AMTo:testimony

Subject: SuperFerry

Aloha,

Please allow the Superferry to operate while the EIS is completed. We've screwed this up until now. This is our chance to make it right. Please realize that the rude vocal opposition has made it nearly impossible for polite rational voices to be heard at public hearings. A representative democracy should not be held hostage to a screaming minority.

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From:rhardlydavison@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:44 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Hawaii Super Ferry

Testamony in Support of the Hawaii Super ferry

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

Aloha,

My name is Richard Davison, I am a Regestered Voter and I support the Hawaii Super Ferry.

Richard Davison 41-585 Poalima Street Waimanalo, Hawaii 96795 808 384-8360

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From:Lisa Hernandez [lisa.hernandez17@gmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:56 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

I am in support of the Superferry. Our society should move forward instead of backwards.

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Lisa Hernandez

From: Sent: To: suzy reynolds [suzreyhawaii@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:49 AM testimony

As a resident of the state of Hawaii I give testimony that it would be in the resident's best interest to keep the ferry running, while they conduct their environmental study. I do not believe that the ferry being able to operate will have a huge impact on the environment, being that other water vehicles do so. For example, barges, cruises, etc.

Thank you for your time.

Suzette Reynolds

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From:E Gutteling, M.D. [gutt@hilo.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:40 AMTo:testimonySubject:RE: Superferry testimony

RE:

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

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

FROM: EDWARD GUTTELING M.D., 45 Mohouli Street, Hilo 96720 (808)936-7200

I cannot attend this meeting, nor the one in Kona today, as I can not take time off from my practice to testify. (Unlike many of the noisy detractors, who seem to always have time off during the business day to make a lot of noise.)

I support the continued operation of the superferry while environmental reviews are ongoing. To prevent the superferry from operating until such reviews are completed will cause it to never be implemented, which will be a severe loss to our community.

Despite the vocal prominence of the detractors, they are a minority, and most of my community support the superferry's operation. If you doubt this, take polls or better yet put it in a ballot next election. I assure you, our community will remember those who killed the ferry, either by actions or lack of actions, and remember them with concern that they do not represent the will of the people when it really counted.

I urge you all to take actions that allow the superferry to operate, without harming its business plan, ASAP.

sincerely withn warmest aloha

Edward Gutteling, M.D.

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From: Mitchell, Angie S Ms CIV USA USARPAC [angie.s.mitchell@us.army.mil]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:16 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry Testimony (UNCLASSIFIED)

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In regards to the Hawaii Superferry:

The Superferry is a wonderful alternative for travel for people living on the Islands of Hawaii. It is doing what other shipping companies have been doing for years and years. The only difference is that it would be the Hawaiian residents who are benefiting from it, rather than all the money going to the pockets of the privately owned shipping companies. It would boost tourism to the other islands, as well, as tourists will see it as a great way to travel between the islands rather than climbing aboard another plane after just spending hours and hours on a plane to get to one island.

I feel that to stop the Superferry would be a grave mistake. Give it a chance. That is the only way to really see what benefits it can bring.

Thank you Angie Mitchell

Angie Mitchell, Accounting Technician Financial Management Branch, SSD Phone: 808-656-0113 Fax: 808-656-0039 angie.s.mitchell@us.army.mil

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

From: KYLE T. WATANABE [Kwatagrp@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:56 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Supperferry

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

I'm in support of the Superferry. We need the alternative means of transportation. Competition we help keep cost in line and not allow monopolization.

Kyle Watanabe 1744 Liliha st. #102 Honolulu, HI 96817

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 From:
 Angeline L. Keo [keoa@byuh.edu]

 Sent:
 Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:51 AM

 To:
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 Subject:
 Hawaii Superferry

 To the Senate Committees:
 Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs,

and Energy and Environment	
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I am writing in support of having the **super ferry** operate as a means of transportation throughout the Hawaiian islands and I quote the following reasons:

- 1. the fares are cheap and reasonable for those who wish to travel to the outer islands
- families wishing to do camping vacation at other islands will be able to take their cars and camp equipment
- 3. it provides cheaper transportation for construction companies who are working at other islands, to transport their equipment and gear
- 4. It allows for families who are moving residence to other islands, to transport their belongings in their vehicles at a very reasonable cost

One lady from Maui who opposed the super ferry being in use said that the people would come from all over the islands and pick their opihi dry. Well, anyone can fly into Maui and do the same thing. AND, I do not believe it would be a risk to the air industry because people will fly if they want to get to their destination quicker.

I appreciate the opportunity to be heard and pray that the right decision will be made.

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From: Brian Opdycke [b.opdycke@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:54 AM

To: testimony

Subject: superferry

The superferry needs to be here. Whatever it takes to allow it to run needs to be done. Sincerely Brian Opdycke

From: Sent: To: Subject: rebecca miller [rebemail3@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:49 AM testimony SUPERFERRY

THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS Senator J. Kalani English, Chair Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

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NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING DATE: Sunday, October 21, 2007 TIME: 2:00 p.m. PLACE: King Kaumualii Elementary School Cafeteria 4381 Hanamaulu Road Lihue, HI

I support the environment. The Superferry should never sail in Hawaiian waters

Signed, Rebecca Miller P.O. Box 1501 Hanalei, HI 96714

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From: Judy Sakurai [judys@dtric.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:55 AM

To: testimony

Subject: TESTIMONY FOR HAWAII SUPERFERRY

I do support the Hawaii Superferry as the transportation services they will provide will benefit the majority of the residents of Hawaii Mahalo for your consideration

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Judy Sakurai DTRIC Insurance Company Limited 1600 Kapiolani Blvd #1560 Honolulu Hawaii 96814 Telephone: (808) 951-1768 Fax: (808) 951-1869 E-Mail: judys@dtric.com

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From: Mat Cosco [CoscoMat@CoscoSupply.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:53 AM

To: testimony

Subject: vote for super ferry

My name is matt cosco and I am in favor of the super ferry. Please vote in favor of it and keep it in Hawaii. Thanks matt cosco

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From: Dawn Akana [kuriharc@byuh.edu]Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:39 AMTo: testimony

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I support the Super Ferry because it opens another means of transportation for everyday pleasure and business. If the Super Ferry does not get launched it prove to the people of Hawaii that our politician are not FOR THE PEOPLE but for their own pockets. Another competition for Matson and other shipping companies is good and needed for the people of Hawaii. What is being imposed by these small environment groups has not real basis when you compare what these other shipping/cruise companies have been doing for years. I strongly urge you to support the PEOPLE of HAWAII and support the Super Ferry!

Mahalo, Dawn Akana Ethel Kurihara

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From:J S [supergeoman808@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:28 AMTo:testimonySubject:Support for SuperferryAttachments:3816426123-superferry letter.pdf

Attached is my signed testimony in support of allowing the Superferry to continue operations while and during any and all environmental impact statements are conducted.

Regards,

D. Jason Scott

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From:	Tanya Ibrao [TIbrao@hawaiimedcen.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:45 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Super Ferry Testimonial

I am so disappointed the people protesting against the Super Ferry. We have heard the argument repeatedly about Maui and Kauai residents claiming the Super Ferry is bad but the barges that bring their needed supplies and food is ok. I will not even go into the Cruise Ship passages! I don't understand how these people can be so closed minded. They come to Oahu to shop, use the needed special medical services, and attend the Universities for higher education. How can they call us insensitive to our environment? These protestors really should get their act together. An educated, native Hawaiian, I take personal pride in my heritage and environment. I apologize on their behalf for their ignorance. Tanya Ibrao

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From:Kamaile Waltz [kauilas_mom@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:37 AMTo:testimonySubject:I SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY!

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As a life long resident of Oahu I am in favor of the Superferry - because it will service the local people who are often overlooked by the government. I have family on Kauai, Maui, and the Big Island - we are all looking forward to using the Superferry to go to family events. The Superferry will give us the ability to attend more events and spend time as a family. Our Family will have the freedom to choose how to get around our island home and not have to DEPEND on the airline industry to get us there. IMUA SUPERFERRY!!

Kamaile Emmalani Kane-Waltz Kaneohe, HI

From:	Gay Porter [GPorter@bisihi.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:00 AM
'To:	testimony
Subject:	Testimony in favor of the Super Ferry

To Whom it May Concern:

I support the Super Ferry and believe it will be good for the people of Hawaii personally and commercially as well as our State. We are already ranked 50th in the U.S. for business climate and probably deserve to sink lower than this if it were possible. It doesn't bode well as we enter a period of economic slowdown in 2008. The Super Ferry will provide jobs and an economical mode of transportation of goods and services for many of our farmers, allow people who can't afford to fly families to visit relatives to do so.

We already have a good number of cruise ships that do this safely. I believe that the environmental issues can be addressed in a way that all parties could be satisfied.

Sincerely,

Gay Porter P.O. Box 153 Hakalau, HI 96710
YES

From:leona holaday [leonaholaday@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:28 AMTo:testimonySubject:super ferry

I believe the Super ferry should be allowed to operate while an environmental study is being conducted. I urge the legislature to pass a bill to this effect. Our state needs another form of interisland travel. And it needs to improve its image as a state in which businesses can be encouraged.

Sincerely, Leona Holaday

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From: Cks215@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:55 AM

To: testimony

Subject: superferry

Unlike the cruise ships we see on an almost daily basis, the superferry has no propellers and will not dump tons of raw sewage into our ocean. Let it run while an environmental impact study is being completed.

The other day I was on Oahu and saw a beautiful car that I would love to own. Did I buy it? No, because I didn't want to pay a small fortune to have it shipped to the big island. I would have bought it if I could have taken it home on the superferry.

The protesters need to get a clue.

Clay Spiegel 78-7110 Kaluna st. 2B Kailua Kona HI 96740

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From: David Tamashiro [david@dialelectric.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:55 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Support of the Hawaii Superferry

To all...

I believe we should have the Hawaii Superferry running as planned.

We, the people living in Hawaii all of our lives should have the option to travel by airplane or boat. We can't afford to pay airlines, car rental and hotel just to visit our family and friends for the weekend. (A family of 4 is approx. \$1,400.00 just for 3 days, not including meals) That's why Las Vegas has more local visitors than any other island.

The airlines, car rental companies, and Young Brothers have had the market to themselves long enough the competition by the ferry is long overdue.

In my opinion, the people against the ferry is all the rich visitors that decided to move here to retire and trying to keep other locals from each island to visit. (Like I said just my opinion)

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Mahalo, David Tamashiro

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From:	Randy Crooks [rdcrooks@comcast.net]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:36 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Let the Superferry operate!!

To whom it may concern:

As a mainland resident and Hawaii visitor, the Superferry is a service Hawaii desperately needs!! As a state that depends on meritime services, this service cannot take away anything that beautiful Hawaii already has. It will only add to the enjoyment those who are there. The Superferry people have made a huge good-faith investment in addressing all related Hawaiian environmental issues - what more can they be expected to do?? It's now time for Hawaii to make an equivalent good-faith investment in them. Please let the Superferry operate!

Sincerely,

Randy Crooks 762 North 400 West American Fork, Ut. 84003

rdcrooks@comcast.net

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From: Kawakami, Carol K. [ckkawakami@dickpacific.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:55 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry Support

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My Testimony in support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. I believe having the Superferry here in Hawaii will definitely improve the economy of the State of Hawaii in more ways than one!! We should all support Governor Lingle on this matter and help her see this through!! I'm sure she's done extensive research on this matter, otherwise it wouldn't have been presented to the public. I strongly believe and support the Hawaii Superferry!!! Suggestion: Maybe give all the protestors a free ride on the Superferry, so they can see how great an impact this could serve us people in Hawaii, and at the same token, how beautiful it can be!!!

Carol Kawakami Sr. Administrative Assistant Dick Pacific Construction Co., Ltd. Telephone: 955-4630, ext. 222 Fax No.: 955-4661

yes

From: Al Elliazar [naopiohawaii@msn.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:54 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

Aloha,

Our Hawaii Superferry has more positives than negatives. We need to move forward in our 21st Century. Study the whale and save our Hawaii Superferry. This is good growth for our Hawaiian islands, it may not be perfect growth but it is Good growth. Shaloha.

Al Elliazar, Jr. Na 'Opio O Mililani VBC Director/Coach Office & Fax: 808.626-1334 access2

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From:	Earl [kimoskoa@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:42 AM
То:	testimony
Subject:	Super Ferry

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

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

Earl Batteen 98-1375 D Kaahumanu St. Aiea 96701

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From:Shiraki, Jennifer-FICOH [Jennifer.Shiraki@ficoh.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:00 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Superferry

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The State should allow the Superferry access to interisland ports while environmental studies are being conducted. There was millions already spent on this project and the pros far outweigh the cons of this project. While they are conducting their environmental study, they should operate the Superferry. The superferry gives an alternative means of transportation to neighbor islands, which is another option other than the airlines.

Jennifer J. Shiraki Property Claims Department First Insurance Company of Hawaii Phone: (808) 527-7558 Fax: (808) 628-2505 Email: jennifer.shiraki@ficoh.com

From:	Jason JB Poe [jasonpoe@hawaii.edu]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:00 AM
То:	testimony
Subject:	Save the Superferry!! from Jason Poe

Dear Senators, October 23 2007

Please vote to enable the superferry to operate while an environmental impact statement is completed.

The superferry is a great alternative to flying and is a form of transportation that we need. It provides good jobs here in Hawaii and it has great public benefit.

Best regards,

Jason Poe

University of Hawaii Bioengineering Department

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From:Evan Scherman [evanscherman@hotmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:41 AMTo:testimony

Subject: support for ferry service

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

My name is Evan Scherman. I am in total support of the ferry service. This whole disruption is extremely disappointing. This Super Ferry operation is great for the entire community of each island in too many facets to go through in this email. Obviously, there are some downsides too, but that is with anything. This service provides too many positives for the state, the public, the economy and business in general that outway, in my mind, the negatives. I am in full support for this service. I hope it gets approved.

Thank you for listening.

Evan Scherman

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From: Kirsten Kainoa [kirsten.kainoa@envisionns.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:00 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Support of Hawaii Superferry

Aloha,

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment Hearing Date: Wednesday, 10/24/07 Time & Location: 10:30am Auditorium, State Capitol

I would like to voice my full support of the Hawaii Superferry. Please allow the Superferry to run its Interisland ferry service in Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

This alternate affordable mode of transportation will allow my family and me to travel to the neighbor islands to visit family and friends. This type of transportation will also allow our church youth group to attend and participate in activities there.

Mahalo, Kirsten Kainoa Customer Support Representative



1000 Bishop Street 2nd Floor Honolulu, HI 96813 Phone: 808-547-2566 Fax: 808-547-2577 kirsten.kainoa@envisionns.com

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From:Richard Ferguson [fergrich@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:00 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Permit the Superferry to Operate During the EIS Process

Aloha,

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

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

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

Mahalo.

Richard B. Ferguson 1600 Ala Moana Boulevard, #908 Honolulu, Hawaii 96815

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From: Payne, Andrea Mrs CIV USA USARPAC [andrea.payne@us.army.mil]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:42 AM

To: testimony

Subject: (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Caveats: NONE

It saddens me as a citizen the State of Hawaii that the great hope, excitement and anticipation of the arrival of the Super Ferry has been dashed. I along with so many others in the community welcomed the opportunity for a new mode of transportation to connect the state. It is my hope and prayer that the obstacles can be overcome and we can all enjoy the benefits and pleasure of the Super Ferry.

Andrea D. Payne

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Caveats: NONE

From: S Cravalho [scravalho@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:00 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Testimony in Support of Superferry

Attention: Legislature's Public Access Room

Please accept this testimony in support of the Superferry. There are many more benefits than negatives with respect to the operation of the ferry. Most all of my friends, relatives, co-workers and acquaintances support the operation of the Superferry. To not allow the ferry to operate buts Hawaii in an extremely bad light as the perception would be anti-business. In addition, I would like to make the following points:

- 1. Ferry is affordable for both locals and tourists
- 2. The ability to transport vehicles is important
- 3. Not allowing the ferry to operate could taint other endeavors such as cruise ships, etc.
- 4. Airline fares would go up as a result of no superferry
- 5. THE PROPLE OF HAWAII WANT THE FERRY TO STAY.

If this legislation is not passed, the tax burden on the populace would increase. Your support is requested for the passage of this bill

Thank you.

Sally Cravalho 45-092 Lilipuna Road Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744 247-8980

From: gail jamison [jamisong001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:00 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

We support the Hawaii Superferry 100%.

The whales aren't going to be hit as they have the best sonar on the planet. The islands aren't going to suffer from any interisland species being transported. You should be worrying more about the stuff that comes in by the barges from all over the world.

For those of us who don't like to fly it would be wonderful to visit the other islands.

Please vote for the Superferry to be able to begin service while undergoing its environmental assessment.

Mahalo, Ronnie & Gail Jamison

PO Box 919 Captain Cook Hi, 96704

From:Shimabukuro, Sharon at PROP_MAUI [sshimabukuro@abprop.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:59 AMTo:testimonySubject:SUPPORT OF SUPERFERRY

MY FAMILY AND I SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY TO SAIL IMMEDIATELY. WE REALLY BELIEVE THAT THIS SHOULD BE VOTED ON BY THE PUBLIC AND NOT THOSE WHO SPEAK THE LOUDEST, HAS THE MOST MONEY AND ARE AGAINST THE FERRY. THEY DO NOT SPEAK FOR ALL OF USI

THANK YOU, SHARON SHIMABUKURO ROBERT SHIMABUKURO HATSUMI HAYASHI DIANE HAYASHI RONALD HAYASHI ALAN HAYASHI NOBUE HAYASHI CAROLE TOMOOKA FUJIKO IWAMOTO

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From: Jeff Villarreal [JVillarreal@CoscoSupply.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:59 AM

To: testimony

Subject: SuperFerry WE WANT YOU

I AM TOTALLY IN SUPPORT FOR THE SUPERFERRY

MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE WANT THIS WONDERFUL SERVICE.

IT IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR THE HANDICAP TO TRAVEL TO THE ISLANDS USING THEIR OWN CARS THAT WERE MADE FOR THEM. RENTAL AGENCIES DON'T OFFER THIS TO THEM.

THANK YOU AND PLEASE LET THE SUPERFERRY RUN. DON'T LET THEM LEAVE THE ISLANDS.

ALOHA

Jeffrey Villarreal (Sales) Cosco Air Conditioning & Refrigeration 1369 Colburn Street Honolulu, HI 96817

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From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

Jan Suter [pauhanahale@sihawaii.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:53 AM testimony Superferry support

This email is in support of allowing the Superferry to operate in full while any environmental impact statement(s) is being prepared. As a native-born resident of the Island of Hawaii, I feel the Superferry will bring all the islands closer together and help show Oahu the importance of the outer islands and all they can offer.

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From: Bernie Range [b2lau@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:59 AM

To: testimony

Subject: re: Hawaii Superferry

From: Bernie Range

To: testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:56 AM Subject: Hawaii Superferry

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I'm in support of the Superferry for travel and business to all my family and friends on all the Islands.

Bernie Range

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From: jo ann hearn [nightstarjh@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:12 AM

To: testimony

Am in favor of ferry operating while survey is taken Joann Hearn

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: MARILEE BAUMGARTNER [mbaumga@hawaiiantel.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:59 AM testimony Marilee Baumgartner Testimony for the Hawaii Superferry

I am a supporter for the Hawaii Superferry. I believe it will be good for all of the Islands. 9 9% of the people in Hawaii are good, honest and caring people and wouldn't do anything to hurt the environment or steal rocks, and other vices (drugs, etc.) The 1% of these type of people no matter what type of transportation they use could always find ways to do the wrong things and cause trouble. I know the Hawaii Superferry will be good for the people of Hawaii.

Thank you! Please vote in favor of the Hawaii Superferry.

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From:	Wally [wparcels@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:58 AM
To:	testimony

Cc: vern

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

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

Aloha: The direct results of having the multiple SuperFerry's will positively impact the quality of living in our Island State. The ability to transfer products, services, and people on a same day basis will expand, inspire new tax paying business and help create new jobs and opportunity. This liquid highway should unite the Islands in a way that all the aircraft, the barges, the tour ships cannot duplicate. Please encourage this business to operate as soon as possible. Let free enterprise work! The market place should determine their future... not the opinions of a few self-serving individuals. Thank you. Wally Parcels

From: BJ Allen [BJAllen@cbpacific.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:00 AM

To: testimony

Subject: SUPERFERRY Supporter

The majority of the population of the Hawaiian Islands want and support the SUPERFERRY for the opportunities and advantages it will bring to the families and small businesses in the islands. This majority population do not scream, yell, stand in picket lines, vocally 'boo' others opinions and certainly do not physically restrain others from performing their jobs. These are called "riots" in the rest of the world and are treated accordingly. The majority generally trusts our government to make the right decisions for the majority, not the minority. We have chosen to let this take a timely and lawful course--but now it is that if the MAJORITY is not heard, the Legislators may make the wrong decision. Here us loud and clear please--the State (WE) can not afford to back down now from the operation of the SUPERFERRY. Please take a stand for the MAJORITY.

This process has been allowed to foolishly turn into a circus. There are no reasons other than selfish, unfounded or political ones, to disallow the ferry to 1) operate as planned and approved by the State, and 2) be put back in service now & immediately with full police support if necessary until the EIS is done. Since when can we allow a handful of dissidents to turn our State into a joke and almost require Marshall law in order to conduct business. If any person or group, pro or con, obstructs and/or breaks the law then they should be charged accordingly.

LET THE SUPERFERRY OPERATE NOW AND PROTECT THOSE THAT CHOOSE TO USE IT! Thank You.

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From:Sherri Ward [sherrward@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:36 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

I feel the Superferry should be supported and allowed to navigate our waters. I feel it was egregiously singled out for these EIS standards when other vessels, crafts, planes, etc., have not been previously, nor are now (for example, the two new, similarly-sized, Young Bros. barges in the past two years) required to abide by them. Where is the equity? It is glaringly absent and apallingly apparent to the whole world.

If the public records of the petitions signed by the protestors are kept, we will probably find (if the Superferry stays) that those same people will be riding her in the future (just like the H-3 protestors).

Please help common sense prevail for the majority of the people who want another choice for travel among the Islands.

Please listen to the calm, passionate majority instead of the vocally abusive minority!

Mahalo, Sherri Ward

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From:Jacob Freeman [jakeroony@hotmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:58 AMTo:testimonySubject:Pro Superferry

As a civil engineer and resident of the State of Hawaii, I recognize the environmental concerns raised with implementation of the Hawaii Superferry into the transportation network. There are many instances for improving our environmental well-being within this State. More importantly, there are many instances with which we can utilize Hawaii's most important resource: the Pacific Ocean. With respect to efficiency and cost-effectiveness, it has been proven that the transportation of bulk freight should be completed via the major arterials that connect distant places. Within the State of Hawaii, that arterial is the Ocean between our unique islands.

The State of Hawaii has administrative rules in place to ensure sustainability of resources in the islands. The permitting process is in place to protect those rules. All rules are subject to interpretation, but if those officials within the state government found it appropriate to allow the Hawaii Superferry to operate as it "once" did, then we should respect those in charge of protecting our great State.

Sincerely,

Jacob Freeman

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From:Yesandsoitis@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:58 AMTo:testimony; Orchidlady1@hawaiiantel.netSubject:Get The SuperFerry Running

Just returned from the Island of Greece - There are many, many ferries operating there and there . are very important to the travel and commerce of the population. We need that kind of service here !

Doug & Cathy Hough, Kea'au Hawaii

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From:Cotton, Charles [ChuckCotton@clearchannel.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:43 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

The Superferry has invested millions of dollars to bring a new transportation alternative to Hawaii, they complied with every federal, state and local rule and regulation; they have worked with the Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council to develop a plan to avoid whales. They have a plan to avoid carrying invasive species. They should be allowed operate. Numerous polls show that a majority of our citizens want the service.

The vocal minority does not represent the majority of people at large in Hawaii. But unfortunately the media covers these groups as though they represent a large majority.

If the issue was really about avoiding whales then they would be protesting all forms of water transport, including the large cruise ships that travel between the islands.

If the issues really had anything to do with invasive species then the groups would target Young Brothers and Matson who both transport thousands of cars, trucks and construction equipment covered with dirt every year.

Those against the Superferry do not speak for a majority of Hawaii citizens.

Time is of the essence, Superferry is losing hundreds of thousands of dollars every week it sits idle.

The Governor, the House and the Senate all need to put partisan politics aside and agree on language that gets the Superferry sailing, so we don't lose this valuable transportation alternative.

Please hold a special session now, amend the law and allow Superferry to begin service, without restriction.

Mahalo

Mahalo nui loa,

Chuck Cotton

Vice President/General Manager

Clear Channel Radio Hawaii

808 550-9213



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From:Kimo Na'kamalii [irish_hawaiian2000@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:18 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

To whom this may concern,

My name is Kimo Nakama. I am a retired member of the Honolulu Fire Department. I would like the ferry to stay and conduct business in Hawaii because, like so many people, I have family on the other islands. I would like to send my van, along with some tool and help my family with their home repairs. It would cost me too much money to send everything by air.

Sincerely, Kimo Nakama

Do You Yahoo!? Tired of spam? Yahoo! Mail has the best spam protection around http://mail.yahoo.com From: Sent: To: Subject: George_Delfierro@payless.com Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:21 AM testimony I am in favor of Superferry

Hello,

Please allow the superferry to operate. This is a good "choice" for the People of Hawaii.

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Please do the right thing. The protestors ONLY represent a minority of the population.

I know that I can count on you to do what's right.

Thank you and Aloha,

George del Fierro VM 9575 CELL 808-358-1449

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From: Eve Shere [eveshere@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:45 AM

To: testimony

Subject: super ferry

TO WHOM IT CONCERNS: We must support the presence of the super ferry in Hawaii. This form of transportation will provide diversification to the economy by bringing goods and services between islands in addition to people. We finally can move forward into a new era of transportation. Take down the road-blocks and make this a reality. Eve Shere

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From: Willy Tollefsen [tollefsew001@hawaii.rr.com]

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

To: testimony

Subject: SUPERFERRY TESTIMONY

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this testimony to my State Senator, in support of the Superferry. I cannot understand

all of these allogation about what the Superferry can do to harm the environment when it hasn't

even had a chance to do anything.

I have relatives on every island and talking to them they want the Superferry, its just the few that can screw it up for everybody. I have heard that the cruise boats have run over many whales but you don't hear anything and that is sad, the cruise ship brings all the tourist to each island which helps the island people and business why don't you want the locals to come to your island that is real sad. Sometimes I'm ashame of the locals because they act like there so special when in reality there stupid.

My name is Wilfred Tollefsen and I do support the Superferry.

Thank You, Wilfred Tollefsen

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From: art musso [artmusso@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:50 AM

To: testimony

dears sirs

of the Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment i am in favor of a inter~island ferry service, and am strongly in favor of them operating while a environmental review is conducted! aloha and thank you for your time. arthur and yumiko musso

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From: Sharon.S.Hahn@kp.org

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:14 AM

To: testimony

To whom it may concern,

I am in favor of the SuperFerry! In the event of a natural disaster; the SuperFerry can speedup needed supplies, medical support and aid in evacuations if necessary. If a hurricane hit the islands; airports may also be damaged and the SuperFerry may be another alternative for help. I do not feel the people who are opposed to the ferry system are looking at all the positive factors. My husband and I are in the EMS and healthcare system and both of us feel that in the event of an emergency, the Super ferry may play an important role in the evacuation or delivery of help. Thank You!

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From: Ken Grier [bigislandken@msn.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:50 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry

Aloha

I am in favor of the super ferry. I think it gives the people of Hawaii a unique opportunity for inter island travel. It also gives people another option that don't like to fly. The fearer of flying is a very real fear.

Mahalo,

J. Kenyon Grier RB Koa Realty Cell (808) 896-3620 www.HawaiiResortsForSale.com hawaiiresorts@msn.com

From: Sent: To: Subject: Loren Johnson Sr. [lorensr11@webtv.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:55 AM testimony Superferry.

I support the passage of the bill that will allow the Superferry to operate while an EIS is being formulated. The measures for environmental protection and safeguards in the bill are very adequate and the many benefits of the Superferry are for the taking. If Hawaii loses the Superferry it wil be like "shooting yourserlves in the foot."

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Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Loren Johnson, Kalaheo, HI

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From:Cho Mar [chonaluvspansit@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:42 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

Yes I support the Hawaii Superferry; It would be fun for everyone to see it go to all the Island! Family and Friends; their Kids can enjoy The Superferry! Most Enjoyable and Memorable Eye catching moment of our lives!

:) Chona

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From:HWC777@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:08 AMTo:testimonySubject:re: Super Ferry

Please let the SuperFerry operate. We are ticket holders and ready to go.

Harry Coleman Waialua Beach Road Waialua, HI 239-289-8189

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From: Lorrie Lum [llum@hccsmg.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:08 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Super Ferry

I vote to have to the Super Ferry running. It is a good way to travel to the Neighbor Islands; it does offer people another way to travel.

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From:Charles Traylor [archline@archline.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:08 AMTo:testimonySubject:Let the Superferry do its job!!!!!



CAD Working Drawings for Architects

This email is directed to the following entities:

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

My wife, Corinne, and I live in Honolulu and work for a Dallas based online business. We came here about 2 months ago. We moved here, really looking forward to being able to visit the neighboring islands on the Superferry, because we do not like to fly. The Superferry is getting a bad deal. The Courts here ought to be ashamed. Nevertheless, the Legislature has an opportunity to do the right thing.

Please allow the Superferry to operate, unfettered, while an environmental impact statement is processed. The arguments and protests against the Superferry appear to me to be at best, misguided, and at worst a malicious, probably illegal and an overtly unfair restraint on free trade. There are obviously several sizable business interests in Hawaii, which would benefit from "sinking" the Superferry, and I suspect they may be discreetly attempting to achieve this through so called environmental impact issues.

Regarding endangerment to whales and other sea creatures by the fast moving Superferry, is there not radar, which can detect these creatures and then execute avoidance maneuvers?

Regarding traffic, there are almost 140,000 people on Maui, almost 60,000 on Kauai and more than 162,000 on the Big Island. I am guessing that these populations represent an

aggregate of possibly 100,000 vehicles. The Superferry has a car carrying capacity of less than 300 vehicles. Or, if loaded with 28 forty foot long trucks, it will only carry 65 cars. That is hardly an environmental impact of significant proportions.

Regarding the propagation of unwanted plant and animal life into unwanted neighboring island environments, consider birds. Bird droppings have been largely responsible for making Hawaii what it is and will continue to shape the biodiversity here. Seeds and larvae, distributed by bird droppings to the neighboring islands, dwarf whatever similar transfers might take place by the Superferry. If anyone is REALLY concerned about this sort of environmental impact, why have they not already taken aim at Matson or any number of the cruise ship companies, whose vessels call on the ports of the neighboring islands?

Best regards,

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From:	barbara lau [bjzda1@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:20 AM
То:	testimony
Subject:	RE: My Love for Nature and OUR ISLANDS
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Re My Love for Nature and OUR Islands To: testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov Subject: Re: My Love for Nature and OUR Islands

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24, 2007

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

RE: MV Love for Nature and OUR Islands

I am a person who LOVES Nature and Animals (big time!) People and Places. The Outdoors.

Each Island holds "something" of the heart to protect. If it's not in the heart, then it's not worth it. It holds no value, no meaning what so ever. It's like our ohana, keiki, kapuna, neighbors, visitors, here and world wide.....we keep in touch, send things from the heart, value who they are, show pride in what we have that's unique to each individual, family member, children "young and old" and most of all to these islands with it's wonderful splendor of color and nature all around us that link us all together.

I was asked by family, family in the mainland, friends and their friends through them, to just send something I wrote along with the Petition I asked of them to support. So.....I figure, what have I got to lose. I asked of them, now they ask of me. Since they feel it was too simple a "tid bit" to not be heard, yet held true for them as well so here goes.

The following is what I sent to friends and family, in turn they passed on to others:

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For those of you who are on the mainland, if you believe in this venture, please sign/send the petition. You are still apart of the islands.....your roots are still here too.

I know I won't go to Kauai anymore. Maui would be next on my list if not already. (alot of friends & family feel the same way too) It's kind of sad that people have nothing better to do.

If all they want are their grass shacks, they should tear down what they live in now (let's check that out), don't work for a living but work the land to survive, I'm sure they own vehicles of some sort and are contributing to our pollution (get rid of that), don't buy groceries (for they contribute

to the opala too), use catch system for water(sometimes don't take a bath), get rid of everything modern

throw em' back.....yeah!

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Re My Love for Nature and OUR Islands

only....."

I would love to see the individuals who are making this "good for nothing fuss!" I'm sure they have the above mentioned and nothing more.(thats alot)

They are one with nature.....don't screw with nature(did you hit a bug lately).....

haven't a worry and won't need help or assistance of any kind, due to nature.....one

island meant only for those who believe in, the land will provide and nature will see them through.....

Then they have every right to speak.

(My feelings to this were, "we are not welcome." Those who protest, must not have grown up here with the changes of time in the islands and didn't have the luxury and the love of tutu, our hanai tutu, mom or dad, hanai or not, passing on lessons and life's knowledge to them, showing them what we have today verses yester years. Ha! You know they did with the luxury's they currently have. They want nothing to do with their family and friends any more and can do with out our love, support and help. Can't support the family when they can't support us back)

I Ask....."Do You Honestly Think That Anyone Would Intentionally Want To Hurt Our Beautiful & Unique Creatures/Wild Life, The AINA, The People, The Islands We All Call Home?

Seems our ancestors did a good job of wiping out what UNIQUE and WONDERFUL wildlife only found on these individual islands along time ago. What's in place now to help save what's left, needs to be upheld, yet we need to move with the times of life, in this world, today.

We've learned to co-exist with everyone and everything. Why then should that change. No one should ever stop looking out for the weak and defenseless creatures or humanity.

Our ways of life, our beliefs, should never change. Pass it down from generation to generation, so they know what to hold onto, yet you need to move forward when you think about it, since each and everyone of us lives in "today and now".

Travel back in time to stop the eradication of all our wonders and splendors of the islands. If you can, then help the world at the same time.

Re My Love for Nature and OUR Islands

I would still be one of the first to really want to shut down the Super Ferry, if something did happen.

We cannot stop progress. We cannot save everything. We, like everything else in our lives, need to give it a chance. The Claus.....should an animal be harmed in anyway, the environment show it's being attacked head on from the direct function/use of the "Super Ferry", ferry stops.

If nothing never happens, look at the jobs it has created. Look at the people, who's livelihood depends on moving what they work so hard to grow, cultivate and put so much of their time into doing to provide for their family and for the rest of the islands.

Over all, those that protest think only of their self. They weren't there to save these unforeseen mishaps in the past. Yet life finds a way.....it moves on.....

Let this be. Let this happen. We grow stronger together! We live together! We do this together!

That's all we can

do.....

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From:Kevin [kevinschleicher@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:02 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

I support the Hawaii Superferry. It created competition in the marketplace and provides another good means to travel interisland with or without a motor vehicle.

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Thank you,

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Kevin Schleicher

91-274 Makale'a Street

Ewa Beach, HI 96706

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From:Lomaoang, Jessica [jessica_lomaoang@gspnet.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:41 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

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

I fully support an interisland ferry service. It is the opportunity for the citizens of Hawaii to explore and interact with their land and people. Airfare monopolizes travel at an overall premium cost. Oahu has become so expensive to live that people opt to leave the island instead of move to another island. To ensure the culture and quality of Aloha, there must be other options to live and work. I think this is a positive start to that.

I am a young professional and had to leave the Oahu a year ago because I could not afford to live there. I am in the mainland because it is here where I can live independently and comfortably. If there had been an alternative, I would have remained. My heart belongs to Hawaii. Please do something so that the spirit of Aloha remains.

Mahalo,

Jessica Lomaoang

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From: RG Wilson [r-g-wilson@sbcglobal.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:37 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Ferry Service in Hawaii

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Honorable Legislators-

The illegal restriction of ferry service within the Hawaiian Islands is unfair. There is no environmental impact from ferries that has not been addressed by much more sensitive ports than those in Hawaii.

I believe this is simply an attempt at isolationism. All the islands are beautiful in their own way and we deserve easy access.

Please protect free access to all the Hawaiian Islands by whatever means necessary, including escorts.

Sincerely,

Robert G. Wilson

yes

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From: Dennis H. Bethke [dennisbethke@msn.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:02 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

I am in favor of the new bill and please pass it to allow the continuation of the Hawaii Superferry to provide service that is much needed within the islands.

Thanks

Dennis

testimony

yes

From:Mike [mmy@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Wednesday, October 24, 2007 4:03 AMTo:testimonySubject:super ferry

We need the super ferry to continue transportation between the islands. I beleive it will benefit the community as well as business. My company does projects between islands and the super ferry would help us.

Please support the Super Ferry.

Mahalo Mike Yamauchi Certified Sheet Metal, Inc.

yes

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From:sally [mysal@hotmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:59 AM

Cc: mysal@hotmail.com

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

- To: Judiciary and Labor Committee Transportation and International Affairs Committee Energy and Environment Committee
- Re: Wednesday, 10/24/2007 Hearing 10:30 am, Auditorium, State Capitol

DearSirs;

I am writing to you to request that you allow the Hawaii Superferry to operate inter-island to transport locals and tourists throughout the Hawaiian Islands.

Having been to your beautiful islands, I feel that this will be a great service that Hawaii can offer.

Thank you for your time.

Sally A. Van Osdell 3401 E. Lee Drive Inverness, Florida 34453-9630 Phone 813-505-0953

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From:Roberta Delawski [rdelawski@hotmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:58 AMTo:testimonySubject:super ferry

We go to Maui every year. We would very much like to see a super ferry there. It would make travel to other islands so nice. Yes I know you are worried about the whales and I love them too But How could a super ferry be any worse that the ferry that goes from Maui to Lanai??? That ferry just flies and has no concern for the wHales. From what I read the Super Ferry would be more careful than the Lanai ferry. You allow the Lanai Ferry so why not the Super Ferry?

Roberta Delawski

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From: LGREENB666@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:58 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Super Ferry

I would like to request your support for the Hawaii Super Ferry project. The addition of this service will serve the people of Hawaii well allow more family contacts with members on other islands. Other modes of transportation are NOT family friendly and cause great disruption.

Thank you for your consideration. ML Greenberg 65-1025 N. Kaniku Dr. #710 Kohala Coast, HI 96743

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From:Sandefur, John [John.Sandefur@coair.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:31 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry Service

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

I cannot believe that the state of Hawaii would allow a few ignorant people that protest a business, ruin the states reputation of being the friendly place to visit. I know that most of my friends and family will not visit the islands, as they feel it is not a safe place to visit anymore.

Please allow the Super Ferry to operate and give jobs to your own ohana's.

John Sandefur Customer Service jsande@coair.com

From:GarNShar@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:57 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Ferry

I would like to express my support for the Hawaii Ferry. We vacation in the Hawaiian Islands nearly every year (we live in CO) and were very much looking forward to this convenient way to visit several island in our couple of weeks there. Please consider this request to allow the ferry's operation. Thank you. Sharon Nordic, 4901 Hogan Dr., Ft. Collins, CO 80525

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From:Silvio Kapa'a [dakinepain@hotmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:54 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Hawaii SuperFerry

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Hello, Please consider the Hawaii Superferry's value to the people of Hawai'i. The people need another choice of transportation, besides the airlines or current water transportation. Most concerns by detractor are unfounded, (ie) under vehicle washing??? Young Brothers, Matson, and all other transporters DO NOT have to do this. It's about time the state stepped up and made life easier and better for those of us here in Hawaii.

Thank you.

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testimony

From:Mary Morgan [mary@pathfindertrvl.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:39 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

As a travel agent, I urge you to keep the superferry going. Thank you

Mary Morgan

From:Cheryl Vos [cvoss6@insightbb.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:51 AMTo:testimonySubject:Support for Hawaii Superferry

My husband and I Support the Hawaii Superferry. The Superferry is important for the Island to Island transportation. Having worked for an airline, people do not always want to travel by air. Traveling by water to the islands will be a good route for those people. As for island to island travel, shopping, and visiting family and friends us islanders will benefit as well as the islands. Thank you for voting to keep the Hawaii Superferry Cheryl and Mike Vos Ocean View, Big Island

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From:Brian A. Kelly [bkelly1@tampabay.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:35 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment: Date: October 23, 2007 Time: 9:35 AM

I am writing in SUPPORT of the Hawaii Superferry. I believe it will provide a safe, reliable, and timely alternative to air travel within the islands of Hawaii.

As a former resident of Maui for over 30 years it was a delight to be able to travel on the old Seaflight from Maui to Oahu. In today's world, air travel is so cumbersome with all of the security one must pass through that it now takes twice as long, in some instances, to travel to another island than it used to take. The ferry, I believe, would provide those who want an alternative mode to travel, to get to other islands swiftly and safely.

Aloha! Brian A. Kelly

testimony

From: Dennis Kim [cf7@cox.net] Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:53 AM To: testimony

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Hello,

My name is Dennis G. Kim. I was born in Honolulu in 1947, and was raised in the Makiki area.

When I was a kid, Makiki stream ran in the back of my neighborhood, and spent many happy moments there, catching opai and fish and swinging across the stream on the banyan tree vines.

Keeaumoku St was cut off when the HI construction started and they built the overpass on Kinau and Keeaumoku Sts, and Makiki stream was buried underground in a concrete tunnel.

There was swampland where Ala Moana Shopping Center is, and a beautiful reef where Magic Island now sits, and Ala Moana Park was one of the best fishing areas in town.

Incidentally, the coral reef at Ala Moana was dynamited to be used as landfill for the Ala Moana Shopping Center and adjacent area where Don Quixote stands.

There was no beach with sand at Ala Moana Park. That was brought in.

I remember Waikiki and there is no resemblance to what it has grown into.

The Aloha Tower was the highest structure in town, and could be seen from just about everywhere.

The Ala Moana Shopping Center building where La Ronde Revolving Restaurant sat on was the highest "new" structure to be built in the islands. There was so much protesting about it.

The protests weren't environmental but had more to do with saying good-bye to the "old ways" and look of the city.

It's now just one of many high rise buildings in the city.

I first worked in Lahaina Maui in 1965 just out of high school at a nightclub called the Whale's Tail right off the corner of Lahainaluna Rd and Front St. It was such a small little town, basically one intersection, no giant resort areas like Kaanapali and Kapalua, Wailea wasn't even a thought yet, and Kihei was even less developed than Lahaina.

I also worked on Kauai in the early '70's at the Kauai Surf and remember that there was no city, big developments anywhere, residential or otherwise. The Jetty nightclub was operated and owned by Mama Oi and it was the local version of Cheers, where everyone knew your name, family, and

everything else about you, like it or not.

It was the same way on the island of Hawaii where I also worked beginning in the early '70's, both in Kona at the Kona Surf, and in Hilo at the Naniloa Surf hotels.

Kona was a tiny little town, and Hilo was as rural as any place could be.

I moved to Los Angeles in 1966, when you knew why Orange County was named that. The very first streets were being put in and the orange groves were being cleared for the first subdivisions.

I lived in Vancouver Canada for a short while in the mid '70's too, and have seen it go from a small city to the sprawling burg it has become.

The point is, like everything else in life, things change, sometimes for what some of us may perceive as for the better, and for others, it makes them long for the good old days.

There is nothing that remains the same, your body, philosophy, surroundings, belief system, nothing.

It's called progress, and it is unstoppable as time itself.

They only thing we can do is try our best, be it as an individual, or society, to make the changes as best as we can, and as consciousness and awareness increase, make further changes.

I ask anyone on any island who is older than say, 50 years of age, if they don't remember "the old days", but on a daily basis, don't make use of all of the changes that have happened in that time, whether it be driving on the highway, shopping and making use of commodities shipped in, using utilities that have been put in place, and generally moving through the day watching tv, using a cell phone, shopping at a big store that replaced the neighborhood grocery store, traveling inter-island on one of the local airlines, etc..

Sure, I miss the way Makiki used to be, and Ala Moana before they built Ala Moana Shopping Center, but I also make use of every highway that has been built, even the H3 which has enabled me to see the beauty of Halawa Valley and enjoy a breathtaking view of the Windward coast.

I love to shop at Ala Moana and meet friends there to eat, and have lived in several of the many high rise apartment buildings that replaced open areas in Makiki where we used to pick so many varieties of fruit to eat when we played.

That's life. We move forward and make the best of it.

Who on the island of Maui or Kauai doesn't own a car? If you don't, and also don't own a television set, a computer, use any electrical appliances, a telephone, a cell phone, etc., then you may have the right to protest the Superferry.

What does owning a car and a cell phone have to do with not wanting the Superferry?

Well, first off, if your reason for protesting the Superferry's operation is an environmental one because it will encourage the spreading of invasive species of plants, insects, etc., you need to also be as vehement about Hawaiian Airlines, Aloha Airlines, United Airlines, Matson, Young Brothers, the interisland cruise ships, the US Postal Service, UPS, etc, because all of these businesses and services do what the Superferry does, except on a much larger scale. If your reasons for protesting the Superferry is because it will bring more people, and add to infrastructure congestion and overload, how many people, cargo, and cars can the Superferry move in a day?

Does it compare to the other organizations aforementioned that move people and commodities between the islands every day?

If you are against the Superferry for environmental reasons, you should in all fairness be prepared to take your fight to all of the businesses and organizations that bring people and commodities to the islands. Fair is fair.

You should also be prepared to protest the use of electricity and gasoline in our state, and legislate to keep any more people from moving to our islands.

You should also not benefit in any way the monetary gains made by any big business in our state that profits from serving the mass population, be it tourism, or residents.

Getting back to owning a car, cell phone, tv, etc.. If you are making this an environmental protest, step back a little and see that your owning and using any of these products contribute to the industries that are polluting the Earth, using up natural resources, and creating an unhealthy ecosystem for mankind.

Have any of you researched what goes into the making of a tv set or a cell phone? We all know the automobile industry and its dependence on oil does as far as creating pollution.

It was really interesting and embarrassing to watch the first town hall meeting on Kauai. I say interesting because of the testimony of some of the protesters.

A great example was the Caucasian woman that was protesting because the Superferry would bring more outsiders to the island, cause more traffic, add to the number of people using public areas like the beaches, etc.

THIS WOMAN GOES ON TO SAY SHE MOVED TO KAUAI TEN YEARS AGO FROM THE MAINLAND so she has added to the problem she is protesting!! Okay, so let's see, now that she's there, she doesn't want others to visit or be able to enjoy the island. Ooooookay.

SHE IS WHAT SHE'S PROTESTING! She is not a native of Kauai! Wake up!! Please! When I heard that, I didn't know whether to laugh or be saddened by the lack of consciousness she had, and the fact that she had people who applauded her statements.

I wonder how many of the protesters were island born.

I say it was embarrassing because of the way people acted. This was mentioned on national news. I heard someone yell out "F---- you Lingle" as the Mayor took the stand. Others laughed and some even cheered this behavior.

Is this the way we want the people of the Aloha State to be portrayed? Rude and uneducated?

Incidentally, and in closing, in my humble opinion, having been a resident of Maui for twenty years, I personally feel that the Superferry is a wonderful service for everyone.

When I lived on Maui, to visit Honolulu for medical care, seeing friends and family, or do business, I would have to catch a ride or hire a taxi to get to the airport, pay an enormous fare for a ticket, take hours of time at the airport on both ends of the trip, rent a car in Honolulu, and rent a hotel room to stay in.

When it was time to return home, it was everything in retrograde, return the rented car, catch a plane back to Maui, and once there, secure a ride or take a taxi back home.

The financial impact and time taken was such that the local people were saying, "It's cheaper and easier to take a charter to Las Vegas than to visit Honolulu". Well, maybe if you didn't gamble. :-)

I think it's wonderful that the Superferry will solve this problem for LOCAL PEOPLE and enable them to travel between the islands be it for visiting family, enjoying what another island has to offer, whether it be shopping, taking in the sights, medical care, etc., and improve commerce for RESIDENTS who will benefit as producers, like the agriculture industry intends to use the Superferry for, or consumers that will have a great way to enjoy these products, and have another way to travel between the islands economically.

We all know that every island has something wonderful to offer. I think the Superferry will allow everyone to enjoy the diversity of the islands, its people, and the choice of services provided, and this goes especially for the children.

It would be wonderful for children to have a viable way to visit the other islands. Can you imagine a field trip to Hawaii to see the volcano for a science class? Or visit Kauai's Waimea Canyon for a geology class? Or come to Honolulu for a field trip to the Bishop Museum? Wow!

With current modes of transportation, it is a logistical nightmare. I speak from experience as my wife has taught on Hawaii, Maui, and in Honolulu, and we have planned and executed trips between the islands, which was exactly like making a personal trip but exponentially multiplied time and cost-wise by the number of students on the excursion.

Or how about just getting in the family car and enjoying a trip, without the financial issues that traveling between the islands now presents?

The wonderful possibilities are endless.

Time marches on, and progress can't be stopped, but I still believe Hawaii is the land of ALOHA. The Superferry can enhance that by enabling us to visit and enjoy each other's islands and the beauty they hold, as well as see family and friends in an economically feasible and convenient manner.

Lastly, if you have respect for the land, people, and culture, why would anyone think that because a person doesn't live on a particular island, they will come by Superferry to destroy or cause mayhem on the island they're visiting?

They will be coming to visit and enjoy your island and maybe even you. They will not be coming to conquer your island. If they act like they are, call the authorities!

If visitors don't have respect, don't blame the Superferry, or the airlines, or cruise ships. Blame their parents for not teaching them the right values!!!!!!!!!!!

Aloha, and thank you very much.

Dennis G. Kim

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Eric Liu [ericliu@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:43 AM testimony HEAR ME! I SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY!

As a lifelong resident of California and Oahu, I have always welcomed visitors from every walk of life, including those people from the island of Kauai, to my home with open arms. Despite the efforts of a minority group of hate mongers, this is the spirit that makes America great. I do not understand how the residents of Kauai feel it is fair that they should not reciprocate this spirit of openness to respectful visitors arriving on the Hawaii Superferry, who are mostly from their sister islands. The environmental and regulatory claims have no teeth. It is purely hypocritical xenophobia. If the Superferry is banned, I pray that the world does not follow in the path of the people of Kauai, or everyone will feel the hatred of discrimination when they walk beyond the line that makes them an outsider. Please, do not show that a place as beautiful as Kauai contains a heart that is dark as 1930s Germany or 1880s United States... I believe in kau inoa... but surely I know the government of the great people of Hawaii would not choose a path of discrimination and close-mindedness. I love this place, and I am grateful to be here, and I know that accepting "outsiders" can be difficult- it is not always easy to open your heart wider, but the rewards are immense and the alternative, as history has shown, is unthinkable.

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From:	n: Kathy Howe [kathy@kathyhowe.com]	
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:23 AM	
To:	testimony	
Subject: Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment		

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

I have read the special session HB Superferry bill and beg you to support it.

Kathy Howe

From: Sent: To: Subject: Lawson Dennis [dakinekonajerky@hawaiiantel.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:46 AM testimony Superferry

PLEASE....listen to the majority of the people that want the Superferry to stay and restart it's service. If they leave the islands, our economy's future will tank.

Mahalo & Aloha

Dennis Lee Lawson Kona, Hawai'i

From: Rod & Mike [Shakabro@att.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:44 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Please allow the superferry to sail

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Dear respected Senate Committee members:

First, I would like to thank you in advance for your careful attention to this matter. As a Kauai resident and former enviormental activists in California, I would be the first to urge caution in allowing the super ferry to operate during it's enviornmental impact statement period. However, I can assure you that I have closely followed the design and the implementation of this undertaking and have found that The Hawaii super ferry people have gone over and beyond to assure a respect for our homeland and enviornment.

Being initially concerned I have been on board and have met with their quality assurance people and feel very confortable in urging you to allow the super ferry to sail during this period. I am confident that the final report will find that the super ferry will have no negative impact on our state and in fact will be a safe and positive alternative for inter-island travel.

respectively yours,

Michael Marchetta 1697 Pe'e Rd #101 Koloa, HI 96756

From: Sent: To: Subject: Kehau L. [akl856@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:36 AM testimony Legislature's Public Access Room - State Senate Legislative Hearing

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

I support the Hawai'i Superferry as another means of transportation for all who live and visit our islands. I am confident that all parties involved can reach a mutual agreement in full support of the Hawai'i Superferry AND the continued protection of our environment.

Kehau Llanos 1610 Wilhelmina Rise #C Honolulu,HI 96816

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From: Barbara Elmore [brelmore8@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:35 AM

To: testimony

Subject: I live Kaua'i and I support the Superferry

Dear Senators:

I understand that hearings will be held today by the Committees on Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment.

As a Kaua'i resident, I suport the Superferry and the proposed bill to be considered allowing the Superferry to operate while the EIS process is underway.

As I understand it, it was not the fault of the Superferry that no EIS was required by the Department of Transportation. They followed the procedures required of them. So it would be unfair to punish them further because of a DOT mistake.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

Barbara Elmore P.O. Box 3142 Lihu`e, HI 96766 (808) 245-9687 brelmore8@yahoo.com

From:	wilhelmy@hawaii.rr.com
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:41 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Superferry Testimony

To Senate Commitees on

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

I wish to express my strong support for the initiation of immediate Superferry service in Hawaii. This service will benefit the peoples of the Island and is supported by the vast majority of the population. Though environmental

issues are certainly important for our state, the opposition is offering frivolous objection with the intent of delaying operation until the company becomes bankrupt. I was alway taught that the halmark of democracy was the rule by the majority. We are seeing another example where a vocal mnority is using a minipulative court system to impose there will on the majority. It is you duty as legislators to represent the will of the people.

The superferry has done much more than is reasonable to be accomodating. The state is in the very embarrasing position that it is going back on commitments that were made to the company. This is not only costing we taxpayers substantial amounts of money it is sending a message to the business community that Hawaii is a place where business is unwelcome. We can not afford this type of publicity.

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Sincerely Jerry Wilhelmy 1753 Laukahi Street Honolulu, HI

From:B824G@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:41 AMTo:testimonySubject:I support the Hawai'i Superferry!

As a contractor, The ferry is a dream come true. It will allow me to transport construction equipment and labor to various job sites daily.

The People need the ferry for transport of Tourists, and interisland commerce. The ferry should be able to operate immediately with the same guidelines as the other two sea transport companies. Thanks,

Brad – Ko Olina Kai –

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From: GILBERT OLAYAN [olayang001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:28 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry Support

I fully support the enactment of this bill that would allow the ship to sail while an environmental assessment is being conducted. I believe it was grossly unfair to a business that proceeded with the blessing of the the Governor, the Department of Transportation, and the Legislature (who authorized the issuance of revenue bonds) to not be allowed to operate.

If this bill is not passed the taxpayer again ends up paying thru the nose for the incompetency of the government and the misguided initiative of the anti-ferry opponents.

I think that it is hypocritical of certain legislators like Senator Gary Hooser (who voted for the harbor improvements) and Representative Hermenia Morita (who did not vote against the original bill - Act 160, HB 1901) to now speak against the Super Ferry. It is political doublespeak at its best

I feel that this whole fiasco is a classic tale of the tail wagging the dog.

I feel there is lot of precedence for correcting a bad law. Remember the van cam carnage?!?

Gilbert A. Olayan 961 Apokula Street Kailua Hi 96734

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From:	Ruth Abate [Ruth.Abate@hubinternational.com]	
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:17 AM	
To:	testimony	
Subject	: Superferry	

I think the Superferry is very important to the region. It will provide people with the option with another mode of transportation between the islands. I visited Hawaii in September and I had purchased tickets to travel from Maui to Oahu and of course was not able to take the ferry. I would have preferred to travel by boat rather than air.

Please pass the bill.

Ruth

Ruth M. Abate, CPCU Assistant Vice President Hub International Northeast 1221 Post Road East Westport, CT 06880 Phone: 203-291-1814 Fax: 917-934-9414 Email: Ruth.Abate@hubinternational.com www.Hubinternational.com

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From:Joni [jonirex@hotmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:22 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry

I agree that Hawaii needs the Superferry for the conveience and economy of Hawaii. I VOTE YES to the Superferry.

Thank-you, Joan Winson

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From: Sent: To: Subject: stoddardg001@hawaii.rr.com Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:23 AM testimony superferry

A ferry system for Hawaii makes very good sense. If an impact statement is neccesary before starting service then I would suggest shutting down all interisland shipping until each of the other entities also get an impact statement. Let us have a level playing field for all.

Grant Stoddard 2825 South King Street #601 Honolulu, Hi 96826 941-9125 stoddardg001@hawaii.rr.com

From: Sent: To: Subject: Rosemary Sweatt [rsweatt@goldrush.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 2:49 AM testimony In support of the SuperFerry

My husband and I are in support of the SuperFerry. We plan to visit your islands with our 1965 Mustang in 2009 for the Cruise Paradise car tour. We are looking forward to traveling to the other islands and enjoying the beauty of Hawaii.

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Sincerely,

Mr. & Mrs. Cecil D. Sweatt 18232 Old Wards Ferry Rd. Sonora,CA 95370-9311 209-770-0266

From: randy leisenring [randallrae2004@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:15 AM

To: testimony

Subject: HSF

I want to express my support of the Superferry Bill. At this point in time, it is the only responsible action that we can take. Please approve the bill so that we don't lose the Superferry permanently. It would not be fair to let a small vocal minority undermine our state government, alternatives for the people or ruin the business climate in Hawaii.

Sincerely,

Randy Leisenring

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From: HawaiiDiane@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:22 AM

To: testimony

Cc: HawaiiDiane@aol.com

Subject: In support of the superferry

As a former 20 year Honolulu resident, I'm in full support of the proposed Super Ferry for the Hawaiian Islands. This form of transportation would assist in alleviating the traffic congestion from the far sides of the island to the Downtown area as well as add convenience of traveling between neighbor islands.

Sincerely,

Diane C. Langley 20 year Hawaii Kai resident

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From:RayHawaii [littlebigman@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:21 AMTo:testimonySubject:Our Super Ferry

I have waited for years for the Super Ferry to start service in our islands. It was great news to hear that I could now visit relatives or friends on the outer islands, pack the wife, kids and our dog in my vehicle and not have to worry about lugging everything to the airport in over stuffed suitcases. No more need to rent a cigarette smelling SUV.

Now the chosen few have ruined it for the many, protesting for an EIS when they never got up to protest anything else. The Whale Watch Tours constantly harass whale's but no one is out there protesting them. If an EIS/EA was completed years ago before the Super Ferry started, these people would still be out there protesting.

Ray Driscoll

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From: PAUL NEAL [PAPAUL9@COX.NET]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:28 AM

To: testimony

Subject: SUPPORT FERRY SERVICE

AS A REGULAR VISITOR TO HAWAII, I'VE BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO NEW FERRY SERVICE...PLEASE MAKE T HAPPEN.....

PAUL G. NEAL PENSACOLA, FL

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From: Larry E. Lamberth [larrylinet1@comcast.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:07 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Support for Hawaii Superferry

Senate Committees:

Judiciary and Labor Transportation and International Affairs Energy and Evironment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24, 2007

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We support the Hawaii Superferry and any legislation necessary for the service to be implemented.

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 Lamberth and Addie Lamberth

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From:Henry, Chriselle [chriselle.henry@stjohn.lib.la.us]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:18 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Support of Hawaii Superferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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I am in support of the Hawaii Superferry, because it allows more people to visit the other islands of Hawaii. Without this, it would be hard for a family of 4 or 5 to enjoy the islands of Hawaii.

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From:jbrowning1@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:18 AMTo:testimonySubject:superferry

I have been traveling around all over the world on a private ship. I am shocked to see almost everyport we go has a ferry system. Hawaii is not trying to start something new. This is a great thing to have. I have lived in hawaii for over 30 years, and I think it would be terrible if we lost this great way for all of us to see the islands from the water and be able to have another way of travel to the islands.

Lets keep it here, If the ferry is a question of is it safe for hawaii? Then I think you should look at all the private boats and yachts, and the tugs and ships that go back in forth all the time...

Email and AIM finally together. You've gotta check out free AOL Mail!

From: Judy Begley [judyb@gci.net]Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:18 AMTo: testimony

Judy Begley 460 Droz Dr Fairbanks, AK 99701 907-378-0716

Please allow the superferry to run between the Islands. Ihave a vacation home on the big island and would visit more often if there was this way to get from island to island. I believe more people would visit to, this meaning more money for me and Hawaii. Thank You!

From: ,Sent: To: Subject: Fred Hulbert [MLHULBERT@webtv.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:09 AM testimony In Support of Hawaii`s Super Ferry !!

My wife & I support the ferry service in Hawaii. It gives families, relatives & others a way to visit other relatives, friends. It gives workers an opportunity to take their own materials to do a job on other islands. Sincerely, Fred & Linda Hulbert

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From:Rpriesman@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:16 AMTo:testimonySubject:(no subject)

let it run, i am a building contractor i work outer island it would save time and money for me .and others.

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From: Jerry Lynch [jerrylynch@mac.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:16 AM

To: testimony

Subject: I support the Superferry

Please help us get the Superferry. Everyone I speak with is in favor of the Superferry. My family and I would like to visit other Islands with our own car. We would visit relatives on other Islands more frequently. Aloha, Jerry

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From:alohairish@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:15 AMTo:testimonySubject:In Favor of the Superferry

My name is Irish Barber-Newman. I am in favor of allowing the Superferry to operate while an EIS is done. $\$

My husband, Michael Newman, and I are local residents and were born and raised on Oahu. We have three children and would use the Superferry service to avoid long lines at the airport and would save money visiting the neighbor islands because we would be able to bring our own car. It also would be a wonderful experience to be on the water and see the island in a different way in a nice family environment. I am embarassed by all of the opposition to the Superferry. Not having the superferry would be a disservice to the local community and further line the pockets of big business.

THINK OF THE LITTLE GUYS!

Mahalo!

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From:Andrea Warren [anakalia@slingshot.co.nz]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 11:26 PMTo:testimonySubject:SUPERFERRY

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SENATE COMMITTEES...JUDICIARY AND LABOR. TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, AND ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 24, 2007, 1030 AM AUDITORIUM, STATE CAPITOL

HONOLULU, HAWAII

DEAR SIRS,

I AM WRITING IN SUPPORT OF THE INTERISLAND SUPERFERRY AS A SINGLE WORKING MOM, WHO IS LOOKING FORWARD TO A MORE ECONOMICAL MODE OF TRANSPORTATION. I CAN TAKE MY WHOLE FAMILY AND THE CAR AND STILL BE ABLE TO TRAVEL AT A MORE REASONABLE RATE THAN IF I WERE TO FLY AND THEN HAVE TO RENT A CAR. ALSO, MY COUSIN AND I CAN TAKE OUR MOTORCY CLES TO THE OTHER ISLANDS WITH A GROUP AND TRAVEL MORE SAFELY AND ECONOMICALLY.

From: John Heatherman [Heathr@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:09 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry Testimony

Aloha

It seems that the Superferry is being singled out by requiring them to provide a Environmental Assessment prior to their operation. This is totally not fair when compared to all of the other Maritime transports that have been going in and out of all of Hawaii's various harbors and not hearing a peep out of anyone. Given the fact that the Supreme court had this subject on their agenda for over a year and then making a decision two days before launching the Superferry service makes no sense at all. Therefore what makes total sense at this point is to allow the Superferry to operate in all of the Hawaiian ports while an Assessment is being conducted. Thank you

John <u>Heatherman/heathr@hawaii.rr.com</u> 1392 Onioni St. Kailua, Hawaii 96734 262-1041

To:

From: Connie A Goo [conniegoo@hawaii.rr.com] Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:10 AM testimony

Subject: Superferry

I would like the Superferry to be put in service and going to Maui and Kauai and Hawaii when the new ship is ready for the Big Island next year. I would ask the legislature approval as this is a positive thing for the people of Hawaii. We need this type of transportation and I believe that this company has shown that they can do business in Hawaii.

From:Shauna Holiman [hackaho@optonline.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 2:39 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Super Ferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

To Whom it May Concern:

I believe the Hawaii Super Ferry should be allowed to operate while environmental impact studies are done. The people who invested the money to embark on this project had all the permits they were told they needed when they started. Much money has been invested based on trust in the promises represented by those permits. If the state government granted the permits improperly in the first place, that is the fault of the State and the individual business owners should not have to pay for that mistake. Stopping the ferry service during this time of "reconsideration" would only compound losses further adding to Hawaii's growing reputation as an unsafe place for investment. This outcome is not good for anyone.

Concurrent with the environmental impact statement process, the State of Hawaii should completely review, revise and make crystal clear their permitting procedures to make sure this kind of error will NEVER happen again.

I am a lot owner in Hokuli'a on the Big Island. (The rest of my extended family is kama a'ina on the Big Island.) A similar situation happened to Hokuli'a which was forced to shut down operations. Resolving that situation was a very ugly, expensive process on all sides. Proper permitting procedures can do much to avoid such predicaments in the first place. Being fair to investors during the resolution process can help to restore the spirit of aloha, which is slowly being destroyed by these avoidable conflicts.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion.

Shauna Holiman

hackaho@optonline.net

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From: JULIANNE KUMASHIRO [kumashirp001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:47 AM

To: testimony

Subject: SUPPORT FOR HAWAII SUPERFERRY

I am in support of the Hawaii Super Ferry and am very disappointed that it has not sailed. I have been looking forward to using the ferry between islands. I hope that the issues will be resolved as soon as possible and the ferry will be sailing. If the government fails to get this ferry going, it will look very unfavorable to the majority of the residents in Hawaii and to people who travel here.

Julianne Kumashiro

YES

From: Greg Mescan [mescang001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:49 AM

To: testimony

Subject: PASS THE SUPERFERRY LEGISLATION TO ALLOW IT TO OPERATE

Aoha:

Please pass the legislation allowing the superferry to operate between Oahu, Kauai, and Maui during the EIS or EIA period. Hawaii needs to have options for its citizens to commute between the islands without having to rely only upon Young Brothers for vehicle and cargo transport and the airlines. This option will also allow the islands to have reliable and quick response options during times of emergency such as hurricane, tidal wave, or during periods of national defense.

This ship is one of the most modern platforms on the civilian side in the islands and can become a pearl of the islands. Hawaii should be known as the "CAN DO" place to reside and commute rather than the "NO CAN" place for commerce and business. Thank you.

Greg Mescan 94-1015 Lahe Street Mililani, Hawaii 96789 808-478-7296

From: Sent: To: Subject: Sean Fagan [spf65@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:47 AM testimony Superferry

I support a special session of the Hawaii State Legislature to identify a solution that would enable Hawaii Superferry to continue operation while the environmental assessment is being conducted.

The people of Hawaii want

interisland transportation choices. Hawaii Superferry is a transportation alternative that is wanted and needed by residents and businesses of Hawaii and will bring many benefits to our state.

Prompt action is needed to save this transportation option and protect Hawaii's business climate.

Mahalo,

yes

From: Lionel Freitas [lionel822@yahoo.com]Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:21 AMTo: testimony

It is absolutely incredible that something as wonderful as a means to tie the islands together is finally within reach and a small portion of the population wants to stop it. I would be interested at what "powers" (read \$\$\$\$) are really behind this effort. Wake up Hawaii, control your own destiny.....don't let the haoles tell you what to do....AGAIN.

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From:David L. Bigelow [up_country@hotmail.com]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 11:14 PMTo:testimonySubject:Testimony in Favor of SuperFerry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

I would like to testify in favor of the Bill allowing the SuperFerry to operate while environmental studies are completed. I am one of the majority of the citizens of Hawaii who believe the SuperFerry is a good thing for the State of Hawaii and it's people. As representatives of the people, you are duty bound to accomplish the will of the majority - not be swayed by a loud and rude minority!

Don't believe for a moment that the people who attended the neighbor Island meetings represent the majority. You saw the rude and obnoxious behavior towards those who testified in favor of the SuperFerry. Is it any wonder most people in favor of the SuperFerry stayed away from those meetings? You've seen the polls, and know what the people you represent want. Please act accordingly.

David L. Bigelow

67-1158 Pakila Road

Kamuela, Hawaii 96743

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From:jill friedman [jillf2184@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:44 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

Jill Friedman Testimony for Hearing DATE: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 TIME: 10:30 a.m. PLACE: Auditorium State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

To:

THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF 2007

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senator Clayton Hee, Vice Chair

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS Senator J. Kalani English, Chair Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT Senator Ron Menor, Chair Senator Gary L. Hooser, Vice Chair

I find this special legislative session--openly declared by the senate and governor as a way to "get around the law" -- very troubling. For the legislature and the governor to create special legislation to exempt one private business from the law after the judge has made a desision not to their liking is innapropriate and unacceptable. The judge declared in his decision that to allow the Superferry to sail without first completing an EIS followed by necessary mitigating measures could cause irreparable damage to the islands as well as to marine wildlife. It is irresponsible--to put it mildly--for the governor, the legislature and the superferry to allow the superferry to operate knowing that it could cause irreparable damage. It shows a lack of concern for the future of the islands and the well being of the citizens as well as disdain for the law.

The bill itself is also unnaceptable. It is clearly written to give the superferry and the governor freedom to do whatever they want, without regard for law or consequences, putting the superferry--a privately owned business--above the safety and interests of the islands and the people of Hawaii. The bill declares that the superferry is necessary. Yet we have managed without it all these years and there is clearly no urgent need for this service.

If the ferry is allowed to operate, these conditions must apply:

The governor must step aside. She has shown that her loyalties and priorities lie with the superferry, rather than the environment and the people of Hawaii. In fact she has caused the problem by refusing to allow an EIS years ago, before the ferry was built. She cannot be trusted to monitor the superferry. This must be done by environmental experts and by the legislature.

There must be no cars or trucks on the superferry. Passengers only.

We will need more buses and the Superferry must pay for them. The superferry must provide parking for its passengers as other businesses are required to do.

The superferry must provide a space for a bustop and for car rental company shuttles.

Passengers must be permitted to take bicycles on the ferry at no extra charge.

The Superferry must travel at a slow speed. Experts have recommended 12 or 13 knots.

Jill Friedman Home: 4572 Io Road Kekaha Mail: P.O. Box 1248 Kekaha Hi 96752

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Yes

From:allen gourley [ajgtimber@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:16 AMTo:testimonySubject:Pro Superferry

Hawaii Government,

Please bring the Superferry to the outer islands immediately, it is essential for commerce, enjoyment and safety. "Without vision the people will perish".....this wisdom is timeless, it is time for the good people of Hawaii, the hard working people, to have a clear vision of the future - and the Superferry is one of those visions.

Aloha to all, AJG

From:	DEBORAH NEAVITT [rosaleedj@yahoo.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:07 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	RE: SUPERFERRY

TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN;

I & my husband would like to explain why we are hoping that the Superferry will be able to continue its progress as originally planned.

Though we are new to Oahu only 2 years ago, we have enjoyed residing here. When we heard about this special Ferry to be able to get from one island to another, we were completely thrilled!! We thought that this would be the best thing not just for tourists but especailly for those who live on the islands & families who cannot afford to fly for a day excursion to another island. It will be a good thing to be able to send school classes for educational purposes to learn about the other islands & see for themselves rather than just reading about it in books.

WE felt it was more of an open door for the Hawaiin people & residents of the islands to finally get the opportunity to see more of what Hawaii islands are all about!! IF you can keep the prices affordable for all, then the chances of success for the Superfeerry will be unlimited!! Thank-you for your time & reading our testimony.

Sincerely; Garry & Deborah Neavitt Honolulu, HI

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From:	Georg Thoma [gthoma@immaui.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 22, 2007 9:22 PM
То:	testimony
Subject:	We need a Ferry here on Hawaii
Attachment	s: Georg Thoma.vcf

I am Georg Thoma,

And I believe that there is a great need for a Super Ferry here on Hawaii, It is a way how we can do better business here on Hawaii and families can come easier together.

Georg Thoma

Georg Thoma International Mortgage, LLC Loan Consultant gthoma@immaui.com (808) 357-9791 Direct Line (808) 579-9040 Fax.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Lois Struck [bolotrain@bellsouth.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:15 AM testimony Super Ferry

Please let the Super Ferry run! I believe that it will be very useful for residents and tourists. There are some people who do not want to fly and some that would just enjoy the ferry ride. Also, the fact that one can bring their car along with them is definitely a plus.

Stop all of the environmental issues. This ferry is not going to hurt anything but the people who want to use the ferry.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Roman Reese [beachresearch@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:16 AM testimony superferry-yes

My, wife and I have traveled to Hawaii on 4 different trips- we are planning more . the superferry makes common sense for older travels-cheaper-better for the planet -& more fun than flying- Yes ,to the Ferry thanks roman Reese 7531 bidwell Road Joelton tn 37080 6158760411

Yes

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From: Bernadette Gruzinsky [bjgruzinsky@yahoo.com]Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:04 AMTo: testimony

Oct.21,2007

Please accept this email in favor of the Super Ferry.

As a 27 year resident family of 16 adults living on Oahu, we travel inter-island frequently and want and need alternatives.

The Super Ferry will create competition, and an element necessary for a better economy. Safety and controls are necessary and should be enforced and applicable to any and all modes of transportation.

The tax burden on each tax paying citizen will be enormous and unnecessary. Please open the flood gates and allow the Super ferry to operate in Hawaii.

Kind Regards,

Bernadette Gruzinsky

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YES

From: ROBERT D BECKLEY [bbeckley55@msn.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:10 AM

To: testimony

Subject: SuperFerry

Gentlemen,

We have been waiting for the SuperFerry for several years now. It is unfortunate that a vocal few, though with valid concerns, can stop a project that has long ago addressed those concerns. As a part time Kauai resident, I embrace the boon to the economy, and the optional method of transportation afforded by the SuperFerry. Please support passage of legislation to allow the SuperFerry to continue operations.

Mahalo, Bob Beckley

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From: Mandy Sichler [msichler@greaterpittsburghtravel.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:53 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Save the Superferry

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to give testimony to support the Hawaii Superferry. The ferry provides an excellent opportunity to sight see from island to island. I had clients who just booked a honeymoon package for a couple nights on each island. They were thrilled when I informed them that instead of taking an interisland flight, they could use the Superferry. Once I looked into this ferry further, I realized that they are not accepting reservations. My clients were extremely disappointed. I am sure there will be numerous clients to come that would have enjoyed the Hawaii Superferry experience. Please do what you can to save it. Thank you,

Mandy Sichler

Mandy Sichler Greater Pittsburgh Travel Agency 1800 Pine Hollow Road Suite 1B McKees Rocks, PA 15136 <u>msichler@greaterpittsburghtravel.com</u> Phone: 412-331-2244 Fax: 412-331-3437
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From:Shirley Scott [sas11910@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:02 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

To

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor Transportation and International Affairs Energy and Environment	
Hearing Date:	Wednesday, October 24

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

To The Honorable Committees:

My husband and I have planned for several years to visit Hawaii, but we could not decide which island to visit. What we really had hoped to do was visit several islands without having to fly from one to the other. I was actually searching for interisland boat travel, when I discovered the Superferry was under construction. We were thrilled. We then decided to take our trip to Hawaii for our 20th Anniversary in 2009. Now we find out the Superferry is already in danger of being discontinued, so we may not make that trip yet. We certainly understand the environmental issues, but we also understand, from a tourist standpoint, the value of the Superferry, so we are asking you to consider the tourist industry as well. The world is a fairly large place with thousands of boats and cruise ships, so we are hoping you can make room for a couple more, and retain this much needed and wanted service.

Thank You for your consideration,

Ray & Shirley Scott 11910 Hoagland Road Hoagland Indiana 46745

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From:	Lisa Wyatt [lisalynn89@yahoo.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 2:42 AM
То:	testimony
Subject	: Hawaii Superferry

I am scheduled for the Superferry early next month for my honeymoon and I would like for it to be up and running by then. It has already been paid for and I don't have much time to make other arrangements and don't really have the money to pay for airfare from one island to the next.

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YES

From: BOBBIE PALENCIA [babsy777@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:06 AM

To: testimony

Subject: HAWAII SUPERFERRY SHOULD STAY IN HAWAII

IN 2004 THE STATE LEGISLATURE PASSED A RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE DEPARMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, THE U.S. MARITIME ADMINISTRATION AND OTHER OFFICIALS AND AGENCIES TO EXPEDITE THE PROCESS OF THE HAWAII SUPERFERRY'S PERMIT APPLICATIONS AND FINANCING REQUESTS. THE LEGISLATURE

ADDITONALLY ENDORSED THE HAWAII SUPERFERRY BY APPROVING 40\$ MILLION IN FINANCING (FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT) FOR FLOATING BARGES, RAMPS AND OTHER FACILITIES TO BE USED BY THE COMPANY AT THE FOUR PORTS.

IN 2005 THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RULED THAT THE HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS WERE EXEMPT FROM AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT, KNOWING THAT THE MARITIME ADMINISTRATION NEEDED TO BE ASSURED THAT PRIOR TO ISSUING ANY LOAN GUARANTEE, SIGNIFICANT INFRASTRUCTURE WORK HAD TO BE PERFORMED IN ORDER FOR THE FERRY TO OPERATAE AND BE AVAILABLE FOR FERRY OPERATIONS BECAUSE DELAYS TO HARBOR ACCESS COULD PUT ITS LOAN GUARANTEES AT RISK. 2007

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From: RODNEY ROBINSON [RodneyRobinson4323@msn.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:07 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry hearings

Hello

Why not let free enterprise be free to run a ferry if people want to start that business?

My using the word enterprise just now reminds me that there was a carrier, paid for by all americans and manned by all americans. Why not let this fact remind you that you are not alone out there. In the past others came to the defense of your citizens, now many of these defenders and their childern would like to come visit and use the superferry. Why in the world would you want to interfere?

When we first heard of the Superferry we began making our plans to visit, as we enjoy camping and would enjoy island hopping with our camping gear with us. We have emailed the ferry for prices and dimensions and schedule.

We are unhappy that our plans are now on hold as we await the outcome of your hearings on the matter.

May I remind you that you hold the power, so if there are good reasons for you to stop the ferry operations, and I am not sure just what those reasons could be other than special interests such as the airlines and car rental businesses, but if there really is a good reason, you have the power to stop service anytime in the future.

If you are trying to protect the nature of the Hawaiian islands you are too late.

Sincerely

Rodney Robinson 200 First Street Excelsior, Mn 55331 (952) 474-4323 RodneyRobinson4323@msn.com

From: Randall Iwamoto [habut50@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:58 PM

To: testimony

Subject: Yes to the special session

Dear Legislators,

A special session to help the Hawaii Super Ferry is a must. This is the only answer at this point, because the State gave the Hawaii Super Ferry an exemption to sail to Maui without doing an EA, or an EIS. It doesn't matter how this exemption came about, the State gave it. Now that the court in Maui says that that is not correct, it is the responsibility of the State to help out. Allow the Hawaii Super Ferry to sail.

My name in unimportant, it is more important to do what is right

From: WFeldmeyer@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:56 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Yes to Support

Dear Legislators,

Please fix whatever has become the problem to all Islanders having access to the SuperFerry. We want it. Do not allow a few to speak for the majority on this issue. Do the right thing.

Janelle Feldmeyer Craig Feldmeyer Matthew Feldmeyer Bill Kepo'o Kelly Kepo'o Corey Kepo'o

...and many more who feel the same ...

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From: John and Amanda [huck@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 9:02 PM

To: testimony

Subject: yes to superferry

To Whom it may concern:

We wanted to voice our support for the Superferry and encourage its use. The ferry would benefit the residents of Hawaii and it is frustrating to see this great new opportunity to travel to the other islands tied up in bureaucracy. Please allow it to operate.

Thank you,

John and Amanda Huckstep

YES

From: Jerry Snell [snellj@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:44 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Yes to superferry

It is our feeling that the islands would all be served with a superferry between them. There are too many people who have relatives on other islands and have a difficult time affording the cost of flying between islands. It would also help commerce between the islands by giving more opportunities for the small farmer to bring their produce to other islands.

Jeanne and Jerry Snell 46-149 Meheanu Loop, 3115 Kaneohe, HI 96744 808 235-4372

yes

From: Ashbrooke Quality Assurance Ltd. [ashbrooke@ashbrooke.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:25 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Yes to Superferry

The Superferry will benefit all Hawaiians. The Environmental Impact study will likely find that there is little to no impact on the environment and wildlife. Ships have been travelling between the islands for decades without destroying the environment. The Superferry will be no different.

The Superferry will provide employment for all those working aboard and in the harbors. Moreover, it will provide jobs and income for businesses located near the ferry terminals on all of the islands.

Tourists to the islands will choose to travel via ferry because it is a novel and interesting way to see the islands by sea. Air travel has become common place; ferry travel will appeal to tourists looking for a new 'adventure'. Once these same tourists arrive on their outer island destination they will rent a car (just as they now do when arriving by air). No increase in road traffic will result. Locals arriving by ferry will continue as they always have in the past. They will rent a car or have friends/relatives come to meet them. Again, no difference will be seen in traffic on the islands. Should they bring their own car on the ferry that will mean they do not rent a car - but they have paid for the privilege of bringing it. Again, no real loss in spending; just a shift as to where the money has been paid.

The islands need the Superferry! It is a step forward toward the mid-21st century. Options are good for business. Loosing the Superferry will be devastating to those who overwhelmingly see the value it offers.

Vote YES to the Superferry. It is Hawaii's way forward!!

Linda Cook

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From:BEC401K@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:11 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Yes to Super Ferry

Dear Sirs,

I believe that the Super Ferry should be approved to serve the citizens of Hawaii. It is needed now.

Please vote yes to place it into service now.

We have full fill our commitment to our children, farmers, and all Hawaii citizens to make this important service available. It is good for Hawaii.

Bruce E. Cook

78-6838 Kuhinanui St.

Kailua Kona, Hawaii 96740

From:Harry Buscher [hbuscher@hawaiiantel.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:39 AMTo:testimonySubject:Yes Superferry

Deak Legislators,

The Superferry will be a very welcome and needed addition for the island of Hawaii and for the State of Hawaii.

We are beholden to Air travel only without this ferry - there is no other way to Travel between the islands.

Aloha, Harry Buscher, Born in Honolulu, 1942

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From: Gayle Mackey [hihog@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:04 PM

To: testimony

Subject: Yes to Super (Big Island) Ferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Please expedite the Super Ferry to Kawaihae. We have been waiting for another mode of transportation to visit our relatives and friends on Oahu and Maui.

We have traveled to the mainland, Australia, Europe and China where ferries are a common, affordable and convenient mode of transportation.

We need more competition. Young Bros. just raised their rates. It is expensive for the outer islanders to travel and receive shipments.

Shouldn't the Federal Government give us subsidies for transportation between the islands since we have no interstate highways here?

Sincerely,

Gayle Etsuko Mackey 75-402 Hoene St. Kailua-Kona Hi 96740

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From: Clayton Ing [cing@hdcc.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:38 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Yes to Super Ferry

It about time the Legislature does something right for a change by allowing the Super Ferry to operate in all Hawaii waters.

Hopefully you won't "blow it" this time.

Mahalo, C. Ing

HSF

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From:Stephen.W.Brown@uscg.mil on behalf of Brown, Stephen F&S3 [Stephen.W.Brown@uscg.mil]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:26 AMTo:testimonySubject:HSF

Greetings

I'm. In support of having the HSF in the Hawaii Islands. This is a time to send a message to the world that Hawaii is a place top do business. If the HSF dies so does Hawaii in all future investments and will become non inviting to tourist and businessmen alike.

Wake up Hawaii ...

Thankyou for your tine. I'm sending this from me treo while doing business in santo domingo dominican republic.

Regards

Steve brown 8083503950

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From:Melvin Morris [morrismcm@hawaiiantel.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:27 AMTo:testimonySubject:Special Session - Hawaii Superferry

Legislature's Public Access Room

I support a special session of the Hawaii State Legislature to identify a solution that would enable Hawaii Superferry to continue operation while the environmental assessment is being conducted. The session is needed to support the will of the majority. Obviously, the current law has interpretation problems that need to be addressed now.

A majority of the people of Hawaii want interisland transportation choices. Hawaii Superferry is a transportation alternative needed by residents and businesses of Hawaii and will bring many benefits to our state.

I believe that the few people with loud voices who oppose the Superferry do so for economic rather than environmental reasons. They don't want any competition. I further believe that any operating restrictions imposed on the superferry should also be imposed on all personal watercraft and commercial transportation of people and vehicles (for whatever purpose) within the State of Hawaii. If we are not willing to impose the same operating restrictions on all modes of transportation or recreation, than let's not place operating restrictions on <u>only</u> one mode of transportation (the superferry).

As we all know, all of the environmental concerns being raised (such as the danger to humpback whales and the spread of invasive species, etc.) have already taken place and, it should be noted, not by the superferry. Prompt action is needed to save this transportation option and to also protect Hawaii's business climate. The superferry will be great for Hawaii.

Mahalo,

Melvin Morris Mililani

10/23/2007

From:Alison Harney [alison_icc@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:24 AMTo:testimonySubject:Go, SuperFerry, Go!

I really don't understand all the hype cuz I don't watch the news like I should but all I know is that, "What's wrong with the Super Ferry?" I think it's a good thing! Being able to take your car with you and not have to get a rental if you decide to stay for a couple of days on vacation, the cost being lower than catching a flight (at least comparable) and it's an exciting adventure! How much closer can we get to riding a big boat other than those big cruise ships which cost an arm and a leg! What more can you ask! The SuperFerry has created more jobs for Hawaii! It's helping to boost our economy! I don't see anything negative about that!

I say, "Let the SuperFerry SAIL!!!"

Alison Harney, Supporter

From:albert lowe [lowe4albert@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:05 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super ferry

I am submitting this to show my strong support for the new ferry!

Albert.

Albert Lowe Fine Artist: www.artistalbert.com

Phone: 808 523-8722

The line between fact and truth blurs due to time and circumstantial, especially true when it involved authority.

yes

From:PEGTRACY123@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:33 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Interisland Ferry Service -- Testimony

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

I am a regular visitor to the island of Kauai and have hoped for years that Hawaii would start a interisland ferry service, instead of just the limited use of planes and helicopters. It is my hope that Hawaii will open several interisland ferry services, which will benefit both your visitors and your islands. I urge you to allow this ferry service.

Thank you!

Margaret C. Tracy ("Peggy") 3309 Englewood Road Wilmington, DE 19810 302-229-3330 pegtracy123@aol.com

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From:ALPryMaui@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:33 AMTo:testimonySubject:(no subject)

With regards to the hearing to be held on Wednesday, October 24, 2007, at the State Capital Auditorium, by the Senate Committees Judiciary and Labor, Energy and Environment, and Transportation and International Affairs, I would like to submit a brief testimony in support of the Superferry.

I feel a ferry system in Hawaii is ideal for people with family members living on other islands, for small business, for the neighbor islanders to attend shows, sporting events, take the family shopping, and even attend legislative sessions at a far more reasonable cost. I think being able to take a car will allow this to be more affordable.

We can't condemn the Superferry for the invasive species problem simply because it would be singling out one of many ways where it could spread. Past history shows this to be true. The invasive species has to be prevented from entering the state where it all starts. An inspection team must be assigned to every port. Containers gassed while in transit. Airplanes sprayed while in route.

While we all love the whales, the people of Hawaii can't be held hostage on this matter. Besides I don't think any more harm will come to them that is not already there.

Please consider this testimony for I normally don't get involved and usually just go with the flow but this time I thought I just had to say something. It's just to big for Hawaii and it's people.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Alfred Perry, Jr. Pukalani, Maui

YES

From: Ptakayama@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:35 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry

Dear Sirs:

I support the ferry and urge you to allow this company help our community. Please do not allow the few very vocal opponents out voice the silent majority.

Take care,

Patti Takayama Honolulu 96814

dk h [todkhoe@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:31 AM

To: testimony

From: Sent:

Subject: Hawaii needs the Super Ferry now

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

Dear Legislators of the State of Hawaii,

We the majority of the populace of the State of Hawaii need you to pass legislation NOW that will ensure that the Super Ferry can start operations immediately without any outrages operational restrictions that will hinder it from being a successful business venture that will serve the majority of the people in the State of Hawaii.

You cannot let a minority group of mainland new comers to the islands hijack via the media the will of the majority of people who have lived here for generations and need the services that the Super Ferry will offer them. Act NOW and pass the legislation necessary to get the job done!

Aloha, David K. Hoe

From:Tim O'Leary [toleary2@gmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 12:38 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

To Whom It May Concern,

I fully support the Hawaii Super Ferry to conduct neighbor island services while an environmental impact study is being conducted.

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Sincerely,

Tim O'Leary

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From:Ed Young [edyhi@yahoo.com]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 10:09 PMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii needs the Super Ferry!!!!!

To Whom it May Concern;

The people of Hawaii need options and other means to save for the next generation. The airlines, rent a cars, and shipping companies have had a monopoly on these islands long enough. We have family on other islands and like very much to visit them as inexpensive as possible. Having another option would really bring this bottom cost down.

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To see the islands from a different view, I know would be fantastic. Please start the ferry service asp.

Mahalo, Edmund Young

From:Jade [hapachina@yahoo.com]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 10:09 PMTo:testimonySubject:Keep the Superferry

Jade <hapachina@yahoo.com> wrote:

Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2007 01:06:20 -0700 (PDT) From: Jade <hapachina@yahoo.com> Subject: Keep the Superferry To: testimony@capital.hawaii.gov

Aloha,

I am a lifetime resident of Honolulu. I am in favor of the Superferry being allowed to operate while the EIS is being conducted. We have many vessels that travel between the islands, barges, cruise liners, private ships. Why are we singling the Superferry out? It seems to me that the environmentalists are using the EIS to stop the Superferry, hoping to kill it financially, hoping that it goes away permanently. Using the excuse about the speed of travel and harming the humpback whales. Oh my goodness, what next?

I was so excited when the Superferry was announced, but I honestly said...politics will kill it. Ahhhhh, Hawaii, our reputation for being against business, so closed minded that we are light years behind our counterparts. All eyes are upon us but we keep denying that fact. People I know and talk to in the mainland ask what are we doing? What are we thinking? Honestly, I am ashamed and respond...."the same political game as usual".

I would like another option to travel to the neighbor islands, not only using the airlines. Many "local" people do not have enough money to take the cruise liners to island hop. The Superferry makes it affordable for many more people and the HUGE plus that I see is that it will give people a different view of our islands. A view of the coastline as the Superferry travels alongside it. I think it is fair to say that majority of us have never had that view. Also, I don't understand what the big deal is over cars being brought over, I rent a car when I go to the neighbor islands, what is the difference?

Shame on the environmentalists......Shame on the politicians.

Let the Superferry make its run, let the people of Hawaii enjoy the beauty of the islands.

A'ole environmentalists....enough is enough !!

Mahalo,

Jade Borges

From:	Teresa Makinney [tnmak@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent:	Monday, October 22, 2007 10:35 PM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Superferry

Aloha,

I'd like to express my support of the super ferry. I can't understand all the negativity. The people being hurt by the super ferry not being able to operate are the local people. Yes, we don't want mongoose moving onto Kauai, or any more coqui frogs, but we'd have to stop all inter-island transportation to totally prevent unwanted species from moving from island to island. When a pee-wee football team, or a community soccer team, or a cheerleading team need to travel inter-island, it's difficult moving the children and all their equipment. If we have the super ferry, then they can load into one or two vans with all the equipment and go participate in their event. A large family with plenty of luggage and gifts for holidays can load everything and everyone into a vehicle and go spend time with their families on another island.

We've had to deal with having only two inter-island air service providers for so long. Every time a competitor enters the market, the big boys do everything possible to run them out of town. Yes, they may lose some business, but most inter-island flights are overbooked and sometimes it's hard to get a rental car. Competition in the market is a good thing. The super ferry gives consumers another option.

If the super ferry management is required to go through the complete environmental process, then we need to take a hard look at inter-island shippers--have they met the requirements? Do they have strict requirements which will prevent unwanted species from "hitching a ride?" I don't believe the protesters want to live without groceries, toilet paper, and other 'basic necessities.'

thank you for the opportunity to express my thoughts. I was unaware of the Kauai hearing, and even if I attended, I probably would've been overcome by those who disagree with me.

mahalo, teresa Makinney POB 50916 Eleele 96705 8086512732

From: raymond tremblay [rayhonolulu@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:25 PM

To: testimony@capital.hawaii.gov

Subject: SUPER FERRY HEARING IN SENATE COM. 24OCT07 @ 10:00AM

LAIDIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE SUPERFERRY. WE NEED ALTERNATIVES TO FLYING. WE CANNOT BUILD A SUPER HIGHWAY TO THE OTHER ISLANDS. WE ARE TALKING ONE ROUND TRIP A DAY NOT 8 ROUND TRIPS A DAY. MAYBE SPECIAL SCHEDULE WHEN THE WHALES GIVE B IRTH.

From: Kathy Belon [kathybelon@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:34 PM

To: testimony

Cc: kathybelon@hotmail.com

Subject: Interisland ferry service

Please don't let us loose the superferry. Finally we have the opportunity to have an alternate way of interisland travel. I was born and raised here and other than flying theres no other way of seeing family on the outer islands. We are not the trogen horse. Local people will be using the ferry. The way they are acting on the outer islands it seems as though we do not live in the same state. Do I have the right to go to these other islands other than flying?

Kathy Belon Kailua, Oahu

From: Cyndi2774@aol.com Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:34 PM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry Support

To Whom it May Concern,

I am desperately disappointed by the efforts of other locals, to end the Hawaii Superferry's service before it even starts. This service is NEEDED on our islands. I believe that the Hawaii Superferry opponents have completely overblown their concerns in an effort to stop progress in our state. I believe that the Hawaii Superferry has addressed all of the environmental concerns of these opponents, but those opponents plan to continue to push for stalling methods, in order to stop the ferry from running -- until the company abandons our islands.

Well, my husband and I are also residents of Hawaii, and we would like to voice our support for the Superferry. Please move forward to make interisland ferry service an immediate reality in our islands!!

Cynthia S. McDaniel-Soll & Robert L. Soll 328-D Jackson Place Honolulu, HI 96819

From: Kenneth Boyd [boydk002@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:34 PM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry must sail

I have been a Hawaii resident and small business owner for over 30 years. I'm totally in support of the Superferry operating in Hawaii.

They have satisfied any doubts that I might have had, about their sincere efforts to address any possible negative environmental concerns. These folks have done their homework and gone the extra mile to assure safe, environmentally friendly, operation of their vessel.

Instead of hindering their progress, we should be lending a helping hand to make sure this much needed service stays in Hawaii. Where's the Aloha hiding?

Kenneth Boyd, Owner Import Car Repair

From:JUAN CABANILLA [jcabanila@yahoo.com]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 10:27 PMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Super ferry support

I am in support of the Hawaii Super ferry.

I believe it will make it more affordable for businesses to transport goods and services from island to island and also it will offer another affordable means of transaportation for friends and families to visit one another.

Thank you, Juan Cabanilla

From:moe joe [moejoeinparadise@yahoo.com]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 10:27 PMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

If the superferry isn't allowed to go into use because the neighbor islands think this will impact the environment than all the supplies to the neighbor islands should be air flown and increase the prices of the items that are flown there. What is the difference with the superferry taking trips to and from and the difference of the other barges that travel our waters. The outer Islanders should realize that all supplies come from Oahu and then to them. Since they are narrow minded individuals, than they deserve to pay more for daily supplies. I think the superferry will be great for the economy with tourism and also with the ability to move things from island to island without paying very high freight bills. The outer islanders should really get a life. They look really stupid and ignorant on how they were acting. What happened to Ohana and neighborly love. It all turned into hipocracy when the superferry is actually helping the islands connect a lot more conveniently.

From:s k [samkn74@yahoo.com]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 10:27 PMTo:testimonySubject:Politics

Honorable Legislatures,

Aloha, I just want to request all honorable legislatures to open there eyes and see the benefits Hawaii Superferry [HSF] will bring to the people and friends of Hawaii. Politically, i think there are some influential businessmen who are trying to frustrate the presence of HSF here in Hawaii. They see as if the HSF is going to deny them business but disguising their frustration in the name of Whales and the environment! The same clones tried to incite Hawaii citizen to boycott the Go airline when it was economically benefitting the residence of Hawaii by offering affordable fares to the neighbor Islands. Honorable legislatures, what is the best way to benefit the people of Hawaii better than offer them affordable transportation system, houses and fair business competition? Hawaiian have suffered for a long period of time. They have been exploited by these businesses that go with the names such as Hawaiian or Aloha. They have been paying high fares for such short distances and when a new player enters the field, they bring environmental issues and insights the poor disadvantaged local and true Hawaiian people.

Please let the Superferry operate on Hawaiian waters. If Superferry goes, then remove all U.S Navy and the coast guard vessels from Hawaii!

Thanks. Very respectfully. Sammy K. Nganga Pearl City Hawaii.

From: Rob Rietow [misrr@flex.com]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:28 PM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry

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

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I definitely in favor of the Super Ferry remaining in Hawaii as a viable interisland transport. We must have additional transportation between the islands. I would be very disappointed a small group of vocal people is allowed to shut the Ferry down. Stand up for the majority of people in Hawaii. Pass some legislation to allow the Ferry to go forward.

Rob Rietow misrr@flex.com 808-542-9591

From:	Carrie [CHUD60@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 22, 2007 10:33 PM
То:	testimony
Subject:	SuperFerry Testimony

I am submitting my support for the Super Ferry. Although I do have concerns with possible injury to marine wildlife I also believe that with the sophisticated technology at our fingertips in today's world that should be an issue which I'm confident would be mute in the near future. With all the traffic in our ports, from small fishing vessels to luxury cruise liners that cause an impact on our environment we as a community should come together and look at the reality of the issue. Is the Super Ferry so bad that oil tankers, container barges, tug boats and let's not forget the Navy don't contribute more hazardous materials and conditions to our wildlife. Whether it's a small to large boat owner whose barreling across the ocean to get to another island or a luxury liner cruising to enjoy our beautiful islands and pulling into ports there are going to be consequences. We can mitigate our consequences by using the knowledge. technology and plain common sense to make sure that we are aware of what's around us. Our environment is impacted everyday with issues, yet we still seem to figure out how to overcome them. I do agree that on a per island level that there would be traffic issues, yet the economy on each of the islands with the Super Ferry service would be impacted favorably allowing for them to build better road systems along with the people of these islands able to share their Aloha, talents, gifts and wisdom. We as natives would be able to thoroughly explore and learn more about our islands without having to worry about rental cars, added insurance, having our families on the outer islands shuttling us about, we would be able to better plan and spend the time truly enjoying each other with a different mode of transport. For heavens sake our islands are out in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, at the end of the day I think that it is a good thing that we bridge our islands with more than just flying.

It also strikes me as sad when a company has spent the time, done their homework, invested their heart and souls, provided jobs with much needed benefits for our people only to face "activists" concerned at the last minute about the environment, which I'm sure was the plan, verses these "activists" stepping up at the beginning and pointing out their concerns and issues and working together with honor and dignity towards a goal which benefits everyone. My perception is one of guerilla warfare, I ask the question whose interest are they really looking out for? If they can do that to the Super Ferry who next will they target, the hardworking fisherman trying to put food on his family's table, perhaps the oil companies with their hazardous material, or maybe even Hilo Hatties and smaller tourist shops for selling too many shells, or perhaps the Aunty at the lei stand because she using up all the flowers.

I personally feel that we live in a society that should stand with open arms to opportunities to enrich our communities, lives and the state at large as long as we are aware of the possible consequences and we use our common sense to work together to avoid negative consequences. How about you?

Carrie Huddy-Greenawalt Wife of a Chief Petty Officer in the Navy

From: kahea adlawan [kahea5757@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:32 PM

To: testimony

WE MAY BE ONE STATE BUT WE ARE SO DIVIDED. I BELIEVE THAT THE SUPERFERRY WILL MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR ALL OF THE ISLANDS TO FINALLY FEEL CONNECTED. I LIVE ON OAHU, AND WOULD LOVE TO VISIT THE OTHER ISLANDS MORE. I WANT TO HAVE THE OPTION OF HOW I AM GOING TO GET THERE. SINCERELY, KAHEALANI ADLAWAN

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From: Karen Lehn [karenlehn@yahoo.com] Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:06 PM

To: testimony

I am in favor of the superferry.
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From:	Patricia Kaneshiro [patkane@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 22, 2007 10:30 PM
То:	testimony
Subject:	In Support of Hawaii Superferry

Aloha,

I am in support of the Hawaii Superferry. I am sure I am not the only person in Hawaii that cannot fly. I was born and raised in Hawaii and for the past 25 years have not left the island of Oahu because of my great fear of flying. The Hawaii Superferry would have been my only means of transportation to visit the neighbor islands. I had reservations to Maui on the Superferry for October 9th but because of the uproar from a small minority of people was not able to go. Please reconsider and let the Superferry sail.

Mahalo, Lawrence Kaneshiro Mililani, HI

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From:divinaa001@hawaii.rr.comSent:Monday, October 22, 2007 10:32 PMTo:testimonyCc:Tony divinaSubject:Sail the Superferry!

Aloha from Kauai...as I was born and raised on this beginning in the late 40's, I have seen change for the worst too many times. However, the Superferry, in my opinion, is good for our Islands, as it offers our people another option for travel, reduce the cost of shipping and handling of purchased items such as appliances, furniture, auto's, etc. Personally, it will benefit me as I am a UH football season ticket holder who spends way too much \$ to attend the games. More importantly, the Ferry would be the only show in town should our airports and air transportation shut down. The Superferry is the lifeline to our Islands, so let it sail with the true "SPIRIT OF ALOHA".

1sg Tony Divina United States Army (Retired)

From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

joan parsons [joanparsons1515@msn.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:20 AM testimony SuperFerry

I would like this testimony to be heard in all three Senate review committees:

Judiciary and Labor; Transportation and Int'l Affairs; and Energy and Environment

As a strong supporter of the SuperFerry, I am truly and utterly dismayed that this issue has so unfairly become a lightning rod for environmental concerns in our beautiful state of Hawaii.

Every single commercial vessel whether cruise ship, Matson, Young Brothers, US Navy, or any other sea going transport poses similar risks to Hawaii.

Every air passenger delivered to the outer islands or Honolulu, can possess undeclared illegal or harmful substances. The price we pay for living on a group of islands in the middle of the Pacific is that we are dependent upon public sea and air vessels to deliver us and all we consume to where ever we wish to go. But that surely does not give a MINORITY of residence the right to determine who can go and how they can get there!

It is of course vital that we understand and mitigate harmful disruptions to our environment. Our environment is precious and we must honor and protect the land and sea. But we must exist here also. It is irresponsible and unbelievably biased to single out one business, one transport out of all that exist, and restrict that operation on the basis of 'environmental' issues. Where were the minority group of protesters when the enormous cruise ships were allowed to dock in Nawiliwili Harbor? Tell me Maui residents don't immeasurable benefit from the hundreds of thousands of tourists that sail into Kahului Harbor and anchor off Lahaina. Even the potential

sonar damage to the whale population by the US Navy hasn't aroused as much fury as the 'enironmentalist' that oppose the SuperFerry.

It is my belief that the 'real' protest is well beyond the environment issues that make the front page. The SuperFerry seems to have released an eruption of underlying bias and prejudice against our own people. Outer islands want tourists in vast numbers, but not locals. That sure sounds like prejudice to me! Under no circumstances can that prejudice be allowed to operate in a free and democratic state of the union. Outer island protesters (I used to live in Maui also) don't think the throngs of tourists that fill their pockets cause environmental compromise?

The truth is that we are all environmentalists that live in Hawaii. We all care deeply and passionately about the preservation of our islands and our whales, and all other species God placed within our midsts. You, our governing body, must act responsibly and responsively as you are doing, and for this I applaud you. But you MUST NOT allow yourselves to be held hostage by a minority group of protesters and questionable interpretations of the law. YOU determine law in this state. If the intent of the vast majority of the population of Hawaii is to embrace the SuperFerry, then you must find a way to make that happen.

Sincerely,

The Parsons Family,

Joan, Ron and Brett Hawaii Kai Honolulu

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Floyd Burgess [fmb4@cox.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:39 AM testimony Hawaii Superferry

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs and Energy and Environment Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 Tome and Location: 10:30 a.m., Auditorium, State Capital

For the future economy of the islands and the convenience it is imperative that the Super Ferry is allowed to run between the islands.

As an annual month long guest to Maui for nearly 30 years, I would like to be able to take side trips to the other islands and not have to go to the inconvenience of going thru the airline checks plus renting a car when I could take my car on the ferry and be able to travel when I arrived at my destination.

In addition it would be a great help to local business men to conduct their business on the other islands.

Floyd & Evelyn Burgess 1402 Crestridge Drive Oceanside, CA 92054 e-Mail: fmb4@cox.net

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From:	David Gross [dygross@cox.net]	·		
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:19 AM			
To:	testimony			
Subject	: My 2 cents on the Ferry issue			

Hi,

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 have a town home as well as vacant land on the Big Island.

David & Linda Gross 68-1125 N. Kaniku Drive #704 Kohala Coast, HI 96743

From: Mary C. Bowman-DeMent [marybowmandement@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:42 AM

To: testimony

Subject: support for Hawaii Superferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24, 2007

10:30 a.m. Auditorium, State Capitol

I am a resident of Hawaii and live in Hilo. I support the service that the Hawaii Superferry would provide as an alternate form of transportation between our islands. I believe that this opportunity for transportation between our islands will be conducted in a safe manner and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry service in Hawaii while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

Sincerely,

Mary Bowman-DeMent

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From: DORIE-ANN KAHALE [DKAHALE@pacificlight.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:44 AM

To: testimony

Subject: In favor of the superferry

Aloha,

I just feel that the super ferry is a assets to the state of Hawaii and never intentionally a burden. I am for the super ferry and am wishing that you grant their stay here for 2 years and see how it runs after that.

Mahalo,

Dorie-Ann L Kahale Dorie-Ann L Kahale

From: Joshua Aman [jga180@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:42 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry Testimony

To Whom It May Concern,

I am whiting in favor of the Super Ferry and to give my best effort to keep it here in Hawaii. I believe the Super Ferry is an awesome opportunity for not only tourists but for unity of the islands as a whole. Think about it... We allow huge oversized cruise ships to enter the harbors daily. So why wouldn't we let a very sophisticated and technologically advanced watercraft? I believe the Super Ferry will cause minimal environmental damage which seems to be the major uproar at the moment for preventing it. Also the economical and cultural boundaries that will be broadened by this craft will make major differences in how we relate to each other aka neighboring islands. This has turned into a huge clash and has pit islands against each other which is horrible. The Super Ferry will not only boost tourism and revenue for all the islands as a whole, but will also merge a barrier that can be crossed regardless with a cruise ship or plane which have far more environmental consequences to our Earth and islands. Please vote in favor of keeping the Super Ferry on our islands, it is a wonderful thing and should not be overlooked or dismissed!

Thank you, Joshua Aman

From: Sent: To: Subject: Gayle Basques [GBasques@bisihi.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:49 AM testimony Hawaii Superferry

I personally feel that Hawaii had a chance to voice their opinion prior to the superferry coming to Hawaii. We certainly need something like this and not only as a means of family vacation tool but it boosts the economy for all the other islands also. Why did we allow the boat to come here if all this commotion after the fact? The owner's have spend a lot of money and we as Hawaii people dare at this point to stop it? I don't understand as we have heard about this for sooooo long and no one at that time spoke up against it? I think it is rather embarrassing at this point. Sincerely, Gayle Basques

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From:	Richard C Yap [yapr@hawaii.edu]
,Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:43 AM
То:	testimony
Subject:	Support of Super Ferry - (For your bill)

Dear Legislators and Gov. Lingle:

I and my wife and 2 adult sons strongly support your allowing the Super Ferry to run while an environmental assessment is made. The provisions you are considering in the bill are good and wise ones. We believe it hypocritical that the opponents on the outer isles don't complain about the much larger cruise ships that add much to their economies and standard of living don't raise the same concerns. My wife is from Maui originally and her relatives and friends love to go on shopping trips to visit friends and relatives and for a change of pace oo Oahu, and we all welcome that. The Super Ferry is just another means of making such trips more convenient and giving people a choice of transit, as the former Sea Flight hydrofoil was that we enjoyed very much traveling on and regretted its passing.

Sincerely yours,

Richard Yap (Professor CC Leeward Community College) Naomi Yap (retired DOE teacher and current teacher at Hongwanji Mission

School)

Mark Yap (IT Support Manager-UHM) Cory Yap (Graduate Student-UHM)

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From:Ruby Zhou [rubyzhou@mac.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:40 AMTo:testimonyCc:Ruby Zhou

Subject: Hawaii Superferry Testimony 10/23 6:39am

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Testimony must be emailed OR faxed by Tuesday (10/23) at 10:30 a.m.

Hawaii Super-ferry is a good thing in which I wish to see it happen long before. There will always be imperfections at the beginning yet, so we people can learn, improve, change to the best with awareness, intelligence, and our knowledge --

Our new challenge for Hawaii Super-ferry is OURSELF, the truth stands --

Aloha,

Ruby Zhou

From:floyd&marlene [flandmarlene@hawaiiantel.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:42 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

I am for the superferry! Forge ahead! Join the other countries and lets not be isolated. Progress is the natural process for everything.

From: Sent: To: Carl Ramsey [hawaiicarl@hotmail.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:41 AM testimony

I support the Hawaii Superferry because it will benefit many that I know personally and we will look like a joke to any other business ventures that might want to locate in Hawaii in the future.

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Mahalo, Carl Ramsey

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From:	Gerald Pozen [gerpoz@earthlink.net]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:18 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Superferry

I support the Superferry and vote to allow it to operate during the EIS study. Please do not let the obnoxious and vocal few drown out the law abiding and supportive majority. The sessions you have (are) holding are a wonderful concept, but, as you can see from the two that have been held, the behavior of those in opposition is appalling. Their right to express their point is one thing, to ridicule, harass, scream, vow to break laws is outrageous.

Gerald Pozen

'O ka 'oia'i'o no ho'i ka 'oia'i'o 'ike 'ole 'ia no...

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From:Meldanjill@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:42 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

To the following senate committees:

Judiciary & Labor Transportation & International Affairs Energy & Environment

Tomorrow you will be meeting to discuss the fate of the Superferry. On behalf of myself and my family, and every acquaintance with whom I have discussed the Superferry issue, please know that we feel it is *vital* that the Superferry be allowed to operate in Hawaiian waters. The people of Hawaii have every right to this alternative mode of transportation. Please help to make that happen.

Thank you, Melanie Bradford Big Island resident

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Ron [rgbb@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:41 AM testimony Hawaii Superferry

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

Members,

In your upcoming debate, please consider the value to the state of having an alternative form of travel with considerable capability of providing service in times of emergency. As is always the case, when alternatives are available and competition is present, the consumer benefits. Please let the superferry operate during the time required to complete the EIS.

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Aloha,

Ron Phillips Keaau, Hi

From: Sent: To: Subject: Al and Betty Dickerson [albett@webtv.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:26 AM testimony Support

I support the Superferry. I would like to see it start as soon as possible. I feel it is a benefit to all. Betty From the Big Island

From: James Ching [nalochings@yahoo.com]Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:34 AMTo: testimony

Hi my name is James Ching and I would like to see the Superferry run, it would be nice to have different options for interisland travel. Not to mention the jobs that it would create for our Island resident's. I appreciate your time. Thanks,

James Ching

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From: Steven E Seifried [seifrieds001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:40 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry Testimony

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

This email is to encourage the legislature to treat the Superferry as it does all other forms of interisland transportation, and allow institution of service with oversight and regulations identical to those other transport options. Do not allow vocal minority with xenophobic and no-growth agendas hide behind environmental façade. A special bill enabling service is OK, but fair and equal treatment is paramount.

What a mess.

Allow the Ferry.

Steve Seifried 44-306-6 Olina St Kaneohe, HI 96744

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From: Alex Pacheco [pachecoa002@hawaii.rr.com] Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:40 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry

Good Morning,

First I would like to take this opportunity to express my thoughts on the Superferry. I do believe would be a big mistake not letting the ferry sails here in Hawaii. There are ferries betweens islands everywhere around the world. British Columbia, the Great lakes, New England areas, Europe, Asia, etc. I was really surprise Hawaii doesn't have this kind of service when I moved here in 2000. I was here in 9/11 and it was an excellent reason why a ferry is very important. Can imagine the upcoming revenue would bring the islands with the use of ferries? If you add 200 cars in one island, there will also be 200 cars moving out of the island. SO there is no tremendous increase of traffic that these people are talking about.

Can you imagine patients would be able to be transported via ambulances between islands for special treatments? I do work for major interisland airlines and you don't see people from my company opposed to the ferry. It's just another option of transportation that would be very important for the future and growth of Hawaii. We need to be looking forward, of course without taking the environmental considerations in account. I'm sure we can find a fine tuning in making the ferry a "go". I do believe that some of the people against the ferry are being paid by some local freight companies that has the monopoly on inter island business.

Let's make Hawaii a better place to live and explore all the new opportunities that has given us! We need all the tourists to continue coming and boosting our economy. Let's give them more options!

Sincerely

Alex Pacheco- Kailua

From:gmessbarge@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:40 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Superferry

My wife and I live in Waianae and are residents of your fair state, though at the moment we are on the mainland visiting family.

We Sally Messbarger and I Gerald M Messbarger are residents of the Makaha Valley Towers at 84-680 Kili Dr #1407. We have been residents for 14 years. We attend Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

We feel the super ferry would be a great advantage, not only to Residents of the Islands but also a great Tourist attraction. We solicit your support. Thanks for reading our comments.

Gerald and Sally Messbarger 84-680 Kili Dr. #1407 Waianae, Hi 96792 Telephone 808 695 5757

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From:	Alan Mefford [ala
Sent:	Tuesday, Octobe
To:	testimony
Subject:	Hawaii Superferry

Alan Mefford [alanhawaii@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:33 AM testimony Hawaii Superferry Hearing

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I support the Supperferry and want to see it in operation while the EIS is being developed. Supperferry will not survive in Hawaii if it is not allowed the opportunity to generate income during this period. Serious damage to Hawaii's economy has already been done in the anti-business publicity we have received world wide. Quick action to get the Superferry in operation will do some damage control.

I want Hawaii to have the convenience and flexibility of travel the Superferry brings both to the business and private sector. I want to see Hawaii continue with the 350 relatively well paying jobs that Superferry has created. I do not want to see so called environmental restriction placed on the operation that are not the result of proven science.

You must be fair and reasonable and give Superferry it's best shot at an economically viable operation.

Please get this resolved quickly.

Alan Mefford Hilo

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From:Brad Ching [brad_ching@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:13 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

Dear Senators,

I am writing this e-mail in support of the Hawaii Superferry. This mode of transportation will offer the people of Hawaii an alternative to the airlines, which will increase their fares once one of the major players is knocked out of the competition. We have already seen the negative public reaction when Aloha and Hawaiian Airlines increased their fares to \$150.00-\$175.00 for a roundtrip interisland ticket. Many families and friends found it difficult to visit loved ones. In addition, interisland business growth will suffer, which Hawaii can not and should not experience. Thank you for your consideration of this e-mail.

Brad Ching

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Bret Chuckovich [pacificoutdoorliving@msn.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:39 AM testimony Superferry Testimony

We already have planes, tug boats, barges, long liners, yachts, whalers, six man canoes, one man canoes, and even paddle boards being used as means to get from one island to the next. To single out the superferry because people on the outer islands think it will ruin their island is absurd. The superferry is just another option to get from here to there, and it's a very good option at that.

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Aloha,

Bret W. Chuckovich Pacific Outdoor Living 68-299 Mahina'ai Street Waialua, HI 96791 Cell - (808) 372-0544 Cell - (808) 489-4887 E-Mail - pacificoutdoorliving@msn.com

From:Ray McWade [gallerymacart@earthlink.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:19 AMTo:testimonySubject:super ferry

It was not a secret that there was (is) to be a Super Ferry. it was(a smirk here) in all the papers..... why now after a great deal of money and effort are those against the project coming forward, or are only after the ferry built, being recognized. Environment of course is crucial, and can be controlled... The coordination, linking this unique state is most important to the well being and financial stability of it's people .. Aloha McWade

Ray McWade gallerymacart@earthlink.net Why Wait? Move to EarthLink.

From: Escuadro, Sonni (SEscuadro) [SEscuadro@chevron.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:38 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry Service

I believe it is important that we allow the Superferry to operate while the environmental assessment is being performed. The "Superferry" have put together a plan to address most of the concerns of those who oppose service. I believe the Superferry will provide an invaluable service to the people of Hawaii and that it is unfortunate the voices of the minority have been louder than those of the majority.

Sonni Escuadro, Environmental Specialist

Chevron Products Company

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From:aloja [aloja@hotmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:37 AMTo:testimonySubject:I Want SuperFerry Travel, please

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Please allow travel on the SuperFerry for me, my friends, family and family car.

I want the option to drive my own family car throughout our State of Hawaii without waiting for and paying for a barge to transport the car interisland like we've done before.

Aloha & Mahalo,

Sandra Malandra

aloja@hotmail.com

808.277.7639

From:	Paula Beamer [paulabeamer@gmail.com]	
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:38 AM	
То:	testimony	
Subject	t: Allow Superferry	

The silent majority is in favor.

Shame on the vocal minority; could have posted their objections long ago. The arrival of Superferry is not a surprise.

Livestock owners embrace the opportunity to ship interisland in a safe & speedy vessel. Who is backing the objectors? Those who do not stand to gain financially, that's who. Don't give in to the dissadents; it does not look good for our State.

Paula Beamer Kamuela 96743

	From:	Meg and Gordy Stewart [megs05@hawaii.rr.com]
•	Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:37 AM
	To:	testimony
	Subject:	Supper Ferry
	Importanc	e: High

Please do the right thing and find a way to keep our ferry in the islands. Ferries are used around the world without terrible consequences, look to the future for our islands we can not stay in the past or the present so my vote is to make our lives better by finding ways to get people from one place to another safely and cost effectively. Thank you Governor for being a forward thinker, and I am a democrat!

Meg Stewart Maui

From: Spencer [tengans005@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:37 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

I hereby testify for the support of the implementation of the Hawaii Superferry. This service will broaden the opportunities for travel and transportation for all people of Hawaii (residents and visitors). This service will also create career and job opportunities; business possibilities and options; and hopes for a better Hawaii.

I truly believe in the Governor's message regarding the implications of having and not having this transportation service. It affects more than the residents who do not wish to implement this option.

We are part of the silent majority who wish Hawaii to keep up with the beat of the economics and business of the world.

Respectfully submitted, Spencer Tengan

From:dee darby [dee_darby@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:30 AMTo:testimonySubject:Support for Superferry

Dear Senators,

This email is to express my support for Superferry to operate in the entire State of Hawaii while the Environmental Impact Statement is being performed. The residents and businesses of this state want and deserve more options for interisland transportation.

I also believe Superferry should be held to the same standards of care to prevent the spread of invasive species as other interisland transport companies such as Young Brothers, Matson or the airlines. Additional requirements would seem to be creating bias.

This issue has awakened the quiet majority or this state. Superferry is an example of innovation and job creation and it will be a sad day again, when again, the state has crushed progress under the pretense of environmental impact.

I appreciate the opportunity to give this testimony and your time taken to read it.

Regards, Dee Darby dee darby@yahoo.com

From: John Junk [jjunk@jwii.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:10 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

I TOTALY support ALL the efforts being made to keep the Superferry in operation. The State of Hawaii needs the Superferry.

I have discussed the Superferry with many, many of my friends and clients. Not a single person I've talked to is against the Superferry.

There are a few major businesses (shipping, airlines, and rent-s-car) against the Superferry as it will affect their profits. There are a FEW protestors against the Superferry with reasons that are so transparent it is a joke.

The people of Hawaii want, need and deserve the Superferry.

John Junk, Sr. 461 Iliwahi Loop Kailua, HI 96734

From:Roger Wilf [wilfr002@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:36 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

Dear Sirs;

I am a small business owner who originally came to Hawaii in 1982 while serving in the military. I later retired in Florida and then returned to Hawaii in 1993. I found Hawaii to be friendly and had a lot to offer anyone that wanted to apply them self and be successful. The first year of business was a real learning step but I eventually succeeded and have owned two businesses for more than 13 years. I come into contact with residents that have relatives on the other islands of our state that have never seen their relatives due to the expense and or fear of flying. The idea of a boat they could load the whole family onto and take their car with them to visit their family was a dream come true. For the business person the Superferry opened new opportunity. For tourism the amount of new travel money into the state could be very large. I agree that we must all be environmentally aware and take measures to protect the environment for future generations. The refusal to allow the Superferry continued operation will send an unbelievable negative message to the investor world that Hawaii is not interested in new money or ideas. If the Superferry is not allowed to operate now that money and future money will go elsewhere. Allowing the Superferry to operate now will enhance inter-island access to residents, enhance inter-island commerce, provide new jobs, expand tourism and quite possibly open new careers for residents who may have looked to the mainland rather than remaining in Hawaii. The YES VOTE to allow the Superferry to operate now is crucial to this state.

Thank you for your time,

Roger W. Wilf CW4, USA, (Ret) 95-1007 Haalohi Street Mililani, Hawaii 96789 (808)262-1800

From: Jani Doctor [tripsnships@comcast.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:30 AM

To: testimony

Subject: SuperFerry

To the Honorable Senators of the Judiciary& Labor, Transportation & International Affairs, and Energy & the Environment Committees,

As a travel agent who send visitors to the Islands I am concerned about the Superferry. The company started a service of great assistance to residents and visitors, with the help of the State of Hawaii. Because of this it seems appropriate to me to allow the ferry to continue while the environmental impact evaluations are conducted.

Finding a balance between the needs of maintaining the environment, and the impact of activities by people, is ever a struggle. Your task is to help the most, while harming the least. As I understand it, a short time allowance for the ferry to operate won't pose insurmountable, long term harm. Thank you for your efforts to resolve the difficulties in this issue. Respectfully, Jani Doctor

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From:cmktrips@aol.comSent:Monday, October 22, 2007 10:18 PMTo:testimonySubject:I support the Super Ferry

It just makes sense to have another form of transportation. I want it as an affordable way for my family to travel and see the other Islands and family. I'm confident that whales will be safe and it will be possible to control the spread of invasive species. It will make us pay MORE attention to the details of our environment and protect our lands. C. M. king

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From: kyle seto [kbseto@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:17 PM

To: testimony

Subject: allow interisland ferry service

Dear Senate:

I urge you to allow the interisland ferry service to continue while the environmental impact study is completed. Many of my friends and family members would utilized this service should it be allowed to proceed without further interruption.

Sincerely, Kyle Seto Honolulu, HI 96821

Help yourself to FREE treats served up daily at the Messenger Café. Stop by today!

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From:Danielle Filler [dfiller25@hotmail.com]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 10:17 PMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

I think the superferry needs to stay and that Hawaii needs to end this fight soon. It is tearing people apart and causing to muchtrouble for our Islands.

End this madness fast!

Thank You

Danielle Filler

Climb to the top of the charts! Play the word scramble challenge with star power.

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From:	Tiffany Hee [teefani@hawaii.rr.com]		
Sent:	Monday, October 22, 2007 10:18 PM		
То:	testimony		
Importance:	High		



Hello,

I am emailing you to let you know that I support the Superferry! I am a Mortgage Specialist and travel interisland to work with my clients and sometimes flights are hard to schedule. This gives me and many other people another alternative. The Superferry is good for the people of Hawaii-everyone in Hawaii, not just Oahu. Please permit the Superferry to run while the EIS is being conducted.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Hee teefani@hawaii.rr.com

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From: CAPTAINDON [captaindon@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:18 PM

To: testimony

Subject: Our Ohana is absolutely in favor of the Superferry.

Our Ohana is absolutely in favor of the Superferry. We're sick and tired of a small vocal minority dictating the affairs of our island. The Superferry will provide an excellent alternative for transportation between the islands. We also see it as a tremendous aid to commerce. Please listen to the majority!!

Aloha, Don & Karen

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From: Yvonne [mauicharm@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:18 PM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Super Ferry

Judiciary & Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy & Environment! To Judiciary & Labor, Transportation & International Affairs, Energy & Environment Agencies,

The people of Hawaii absolutely need an alternative to the airlines, and I believe that the Super Ferry should be our choice. For to long now, we have been held "hostage" by the island airlines and it's time to give a break to the people of Hawaii.

The Super Ferry really is the answer to a prayer!!!! This alternative will not only give us another choice, but, to be able to even take your own car to another island without waiting for 3 days, is quite a nice feature. Family and friends alike would be very appreciative of this service.

Please keep and let the Super Ferry operate so that the majority of the island people can enjoy this service, and believe me, it is definately a service for us!! If the minority does not want the Super Ferry, don't ride it! It's very simple!! If Kauai doesn't want the Super Ferry, so be it, don't go to Kauai. Just service Oahu, Maui and the Big Island!

Thanking you in advance for your haste and cooperation.

Sincerely, Yvonne Rodrigues PO Box 1591 Wailuku, HI 96793 PH: 808-250-4161 Email: mauicharm@hawaiiantel.net

From:	Russell [rkmats@peoplepc.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 22, 2007 10:01 PM
To:	testimony
Subject:	I support the Superferry

Dear Sirs, This email is to show my support for Hawaii's Superferry, We need this mode of transportation and the ferry will provide more options for interisland travel for my family. Mahalo from Maui, Russell Matsumoto Rkmats@peoplepc.com 808-214-2145

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From:FRANK MARINO [frank-vic@prodigy.net]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 9:52 PMTo:testimonySubject:HAWAII SUPER FERRY

To whom it may concern:

22 OCT 2007, 920PM.

I am writing in support of the Hawaii Super Ferry.

I was fortunate enough to take a spin on the Hawaii Super Ferry on 20 OCT 2007, I found it a very comfortable convenient way to travel between the Islands of Hawaii.

I have been very disappointed in the way the Hawaii Super Ferry has been treated since arriving in Hawaii. I still can not understand how the State could approve the Super Ferry a couple years ago and tell them "Sure build your boat, invest lots of money and come to Hawaii." Only to be denied the chance to recoup the investment, I would never think of starting a business in Hawaii and I live here. I can't imagine how the rest of the world must view this 180 degree turn-around.

Where is the "ALOHA"? Imagine the following scenario: You are the proud owner of a company in San Diego and have a product that will improve the quality of life to the residents and visitors of Hawaii. You go to Hawaii and get all the required permits to run your company in Hawaii, you spend the next two years getting your company prepared to do business in Hawaii, all this time you have had to take out large loans and spent lots of cash to make sure you had all your bases covered. Low and behold you get to Hawaii only to find out that they have changed the rules and you can not operate your company. How would you feel at this point? How do you think your family would feel? How long would you hang around waiting for the State to make a call?

I would sue the State of Hawaii for every penny that I had invested and pull out of the State at 40knots. I don't even know what I could say to my family.

This has been as messed-up as cat herding. Please fix the problem on the 24th of OCT and allow the people of Hawaii to show the world we do have "Aloha" and it is not just something we say to the tourists.

V/R Frank Marino Home Owner 94-821 Kaaholo Street Waipahu HI, 96797

From: Sent:	RFRipp [rfripp@aloha.net] Monday, October 22, 2007 10:24 PM	
To:	testimony	
Subject:	Superferry - Yes	

Please do not allow the minority to rule the majority of us and our descendants. Yes, we need to protect the environment for our descendants, and we need to maintain easy access to the neighbor islands. thank-you very much, Robbe Ripp Nu'uanu

From: Karl Halemano [blue_vega_72@yahoo.com] Monday, October 22, 2007 9:58 PM Sent: testimony To: Subject: Hawaii Super ferry

The superferry should bable to run during the study. I for one dont think the whales are that stupid enough to get run over . I was looking foward to use this service.

Aloha Karl Halemano of Volcano Hawaii

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From: Walter Omori [walterskaraoke@hawaiiantel.net]

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Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:26 PM

To: testimony

Subject: SUPERFERRY

LET THE SUPERFERRY SAIL. HOW DO THEY EXPECT TO MAKE A STUDY WITHOUT AN EXAMPLE. THEY COULD MAKE A COMPLETE STUDY WHILE THE FERRY IS SAILING.

GO SUPERFERRY GO!!!!

From:Glenn Martinez [glennmartinez@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 10:24 PM

To: testimony

Cc: 'Hawaii Superferry'

Subject: I support Ferry

I am a Coast Guard Licensed Merchant Marine Captain. I have been a resident of Hawaii for 35 years and I plead with you to support the Ferry operating while completing a EIS.

The State lead them into this quagmire and will probably be held by the Fed's responsible for the loan guarantees.

Hawaii needs the Ferry. Go! Airlines will not last forever, we need the competition.

Aloha, Captain Glenn Martinez

From: NitaAnnStone@aol.com

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:26 PM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry

Aloha,

I am in favor of the Super Ferry and request that a special session be held to allow the Super Ferry to continue it's service while waiting for the Environmental Impact Statement.

Please do not allow a few in opposition to dictate what the rest of Hawaii wants.

Mahalo, Nita Stone

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From: Ed Murty [pitllc@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:32 PM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry

My name is Edward Murty, my address is P.O.Box 1028 Kamuela, HI. 96743. Ph. 808-895-0982

I am giving testimony in support of the Super Ferry. I find it apalling that we the citizens of the state of Hawaii can be litterally held up by small numbers of people of special interest groups. Clearly my self and the majority of the people of the state of Hawaii are in need, favor and just plain want the choice of the Super Ferry. Why can Young Bros. Ltd., Matson, US and International Cruise ships sail freely between Islands and the Super Ferry cannot. This is not playing on a level playing field and is totally unfair to the Super Ferry and the people of Hawaii. I definetely want the Super Ferry to resume operations immediatel. Sincerely,

Ed Murty

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From:Jeanette Lee [leejeane@yahoo.com]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 10:20 PMTo:testimonySubject:I support the Hawaii Superferry

Aloha,

I'm a teacher on the Waianae Coast and a resident for 21 years. I fully support the bill to continue running the Hawaii Superferry interisland. That is one of the best ideas this state has come up with. It might bring more tourism too which is highly needed since it costs an arm and a leg just to get over here in the first place! Please vote FOR this bill.

Jeanette Lee 808 696-8437

86-392 Kawili St. Waianae, HI 96792-2942

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From:Steve Mickle [stevemickle@gmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:37 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

Passing legislation allowing the SF to sail prior to the EIS is an insult to the citizens. I am appalled at the lack of foresight the State had in granting the EIS waiver and now by covering it's error by trying to mitigate damages to the State by allowing them to sail until the EIS is completed. This is like the fox building the hen house.

It all comes down to money. The State wants the SF for revenue. The State needs to cover themselves from the potential damages from the SF suing them for granting them an EIS in the first place, which they relied on and invested hundreds of millions. This is so obvious it is insulting.

Since money rules I expect the legislation to pass. If it does, I would ask that several immediate steps be taken to guarantee the fears that the citizens of Kauai and Maui have.

These include:

Inspecting all cargo to prevent theft of private and public property, illegal transportation of coqui frogs and mongoose.

Check all registrants for warrants outstanding and do not allow criminals to re-locate to other islands or create more crime.

Anyone that has a warrant out for even a misdemeanor parking should not be allowed to go on the SF! Officers should be stationed at the loading docks and check all passengers visually for drug or alcohol impairments.

Have all vehicles undercarriages checked by dogs for secret storage compartments that could be used to transport drugs and varmits like the coqui and mongoose.

Make sure their are lookouts on board to site Whales and monks.

Quite simply, if the State wants to grant immediate sailing rights, they should agree to take steps to meet the concerns of it's citizens as well.

Thank you.

Steven Mickle PO Box 821 Kilauea, HI 96754

From: Sue [susan_rn@sbcglobal.net] Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 10:13 PM To: testimony

Gentlemen:

Please consider the possible damage done to the aquatic wildlife around the islands when you vote for (or against) the Superferry. Environmental Impact reports are available, have you studied them carefully?

I am, in principle, not in favor of the Superferry.

Susan Whitfield, RN (a recent visitor to Maui).

"The price of justice is eternal publicity." *Current and former employees of Intel*

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From:Juanita Kawamoto [farmfreshhawaii@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:00 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii superferry

I don't think the superferry should be allowed to do business without fully completing the EIS report required by law because it sets a terrible precedence for companies in the future that its okay to skip very important interaction with the community and the people of Hawaii. We as the people, already have such little awareness about such important issues that big business has done in the past and left the people to clean up the mess or use our valuable tax dollars to correct these errors that are sometimes irreversible. Please do not let the superferry proceed forward without a full EIS approved report and do not let them do business until this is done. I don't know why a special session is even being called when issues such as health care, education and current transportation issues that affect our lives on a daily basis do not get this kind of attention. We are again wasting tax dollars to ask our local politicians to participate in something that is limited to a luxury not a necessity!

Don't let the superferry operate until the EIS report is completed and approved.

Juanita Kawamoto

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From:RAYNEREGUSH@aol.comSent:Monday, October 22, 2007 11:30 PMTo:testimonySubject:Testimony in Opposition to the Superferry Bill

TO: Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair, Committee on Judiciary and Labor Senator J. Kalani English, Chair, Committee on Transportation & Int'l Affairs Senator Ron Menor, Chair, Committee on Energy and Environment

DATE: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 TIME: 10:30 a.m. PLACE: Auditorium State Conitel, 415 Se

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TESTIMONY IN STRONG OPPOSITION to the special session bill to permit the operation of an <u>inter-island ferry</u> while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

Dear Hawai'i State Senators:

There is nothing super about this ferry for Kaua'i. It remains a menacing threat until a court-ordered environmental review is complete. Whatever the perceived advantages are, it is critical to conduct an Environmental Assessment (EA) <u>before</u> the ferry operates. The Supreme Court decision was clear and unanimous about this.

Kauai's natural resources make this island special – it is the environment that directly impacts our economic and social well-being. If government believes HRS 343 is flawed, then address those concerns at the regular session.

To convene a special session to subvert and overturn the court's ruling is a direct attack on the laws protecting Hawai`i's natural and cultural resources. Passing any form of this bill will result in more litigation challenging its lawfulness.

"The legislature cannot overturn the result of a final judgment of the highest court in the jurisdiction". Plaut et al v. Spendthrift Farm Inc. 514 U.S. 211 (1994).

The Governor, the DOT and the Attorney General have not acknowledged their procedural error in exempting the ferry from the EA requirement. An immediate investigation into the administration's erroneous decision-making should be your priority.

Business ventures come with risks and it is not the state's responsibility to mitigate those risks. Nor, is it ethical to change the law to rescue this one business. It's time to encourage the ferry to leave the Hawai'i market and go elsewhere.

The ferry is a luxury, it is <u>not</u> an urgent need. Operating without a thorough and uncompromised EA conducted by a neutral entity is unacceptable. The risk of irreparable harm is too great.

Kauai is already under attack. Developers are compromising our rural lifestyle and we have been unsuccessful in mitigating the impacts of an increasing population. The construction boom is damaging our resources and the short-comings of state and county enforcement agencies compound this problem. Oahu will thrive but Kauai will suffer social, economic and environmental impacts.

The only lawful action now is to cease Superferry operations and initiate the EA process. Kauai residents are afraid and they are angry because government seems not to recognize that the law is not discretionary for corporations -- it is mandatory for all.

The bill you are considering circumvents the law. The list of environmental conditions for the ship's operation during the impact statement period is a travesty. The task force to observe the ship's environmental performance is disgraceful. Any compromise is a breach of public trust if special interests are allowed to prevail over Hawaii State Environmental law and the Supreme Court's decision.

Respectfully submitted,

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From: Camille Sakamoto [Camille.Sakamoto@mauicounty.us]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:35 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Testimony in opposition to a special legislative session for the Hawaii Superferry

My family and I am in opposition to a special legislative session and/or legislation designed to allow the Hawaii Superferry to operate prior to completion of an EIS. A Circuit Court judge has ruled that environmental studies are required before the Hawaii Superferry can be allowed to operate in waters surrounding the Hawaiian Islands. PLEASE support your people's wishes and uphold our judicial system. May God bless you in making a decision that is pono. Mahalo for your time and kokua.

Camille Sakamoto Kahului, Maui

From:	Grif Frost [griffrost@vrhi.com]	
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:13 AM	
To:	testimony	
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Subject: Attn: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, Energy and Environment Senate Committees: Wednesday, October 24 10:30 AM Auditorium, State Capitol

Aloha

As the #1 business broker on Hawaii Island who works daily with business owners wanting to sell their businesses and business buyers from the mainland and around the world who want to buy businesses I can tell you that there is near 100% support among this group to allow the Superferry to begin operations while securing the EIS if required.

While protecting environmental assets is critical at the same time protecting economic assets is also critical...small business will be able to grow their businesses profitably by utilizing the increased transportation options offered by the Superferry.

Please find the correct balance between environmental and economic issues which will allow the Superferry to begin operations while securing the EIS if required.

With Aloha;

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From:Deena Walter [tennisgirl247@hotmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:22 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Please keep the Superferry Running

The Superferry is a great way for us to travel economically and learn more about the other islands. It would also be a positive monetary impact on the other islands, since without the Superferry, we would not be able to afford to go to other island locations with our whole family. I hope the Superferry will continue to run to give more jobs to locals and to help us travel more within our beautiful islands.

Mahalo

Deena Walter

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From:FEspo71585@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:23 AMTo:testimonySubject:HAWAII SUPERFERRY

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The need for the Hawaii Superferry is critical. It will provide alternative, convenient transportation for mostly local residents. It is safe and environmental safeguards can be established which can be met. Remember we have other ships plying the same waters without incident and without the need for an EAS or an EIS. Support the Superferry. Let's go forward into the 21st century.

Aloha Francis F. Esposito 95-270 Waikalani Dr. Apt C-304 Mililani, HI 96789

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Alan Lakritz [alan@aloha.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:22 AM testimony Super Ferry

Dear Legislator

I as a registered voter in East Hawaii totally support the introduction of the Super Ferry into our inter island transportation infrastructure. Therefore I also support any effort by the legislature to come into speciall session to attempt to get this done at this time.

I also do not understand why this is so different then having the

present inter island barge and crusie ship, whale watchers and other

excursions and nuclear submarimes operate in our waters Have they always complied with all environmental concerns? I think not, and they continue to operate without protest. Please give us back our Super Ferry

Mahalo, Alan Lakritz Keaau Hawaii

From:David Shuck [jdshuck1@beyondbb.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:07 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry

I am in favor of having the Super Ferry operating in the Hawaiian Islands. For tourists like myself it would be a great convenience to be able to rent a car on Oahu and then take the Ferry to Maui or Kauai rather than have to fly and rent another car. This Ferry will boost tourism to the islands and contribute heavily to the economy. We are coming to Hawaii in December and were counting on being able to use the Ferry to get back and forth between the islands.

Sincerely,

J D Shuck St George, UT

From:Iris Kabazawa [iris.kabazawa@gmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:23 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry Support

Aloha,

I was born and raised on Kauai and my husband lived there for several years; we currently live on Oahu. I have family there and we are all in favor of allowing the Superferry to dock in Nawiliwili. This is a tremendous advancement for this state and will unify/connect all islands like an interstate highway. Please support the Superferry. Mahalo

Iris Kabazawa & Roy Yamashita

From:Joe Boodman [joe1943@cox.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:20 AMTo:testimonySubject:superferry

Please vote in favor of the SUPER FERRY. For too many years we have been subject to airline service between the islands and all the problems that go with it. Dont let the "do-gooders" stop this great service.

Joe Boodman-citizen

From: Raymond Veilleux [veilleuxr001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:23 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Please support the Hawaii Superferry

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The Hawaii Superferry is a convenient way to travel for my family. We can take our dog, pack our camping gear and pack as much as we can fit in our Jeep, at no extra charge. It will be sad if we lose this ferry service. I wonder if the airlines, rental car or barge companies are behind all this opposition to the Superferry?

Raymond & Sharon Veilleux Ewa Beach

From:Marianne Ufford [msufford@cox.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:22 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

As a frequent visitor to your islands, I get to enjoy the diverse beauty of all the islands. Unfortunately, this pleasure is not available to many Hawaiian families and seniors because of the cost of air fare. The ferry would open this opportunity to so very many of Hawaiian citizens. On a visit last month I talked to a cab driver who said he and his children had never been off Oahu – he envied me as I was going to Maui. This is very sad! Cruise ships, big pleasure boats, etc are used by vacationers without environmental studies ... Hawaii should look out for their own citizens.

Marianne Ufford 2906 Sarina Ave Henderson, NV 89074

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From:	Sue James [suejameskailua@gmail.com]		
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:22 AM	•	
To:	testimony		
Subject	: Superferry testimony		

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

This will give all residents of Hawaii an alternate means to visit the other islands. It will provide farmers an efficient way to transport their crops. It will provide an alternate means of transportation in times of crisis. It is a very necessary addition to our current transportation choices.

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Sue James 1531 Akaakoa Place Kailua, Hawaii 96734

From:Fred Dauer [fcdauer@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:17 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Super Ferry reinstatement

Please develop and process whatever is necessary to get this project up and running. It is in Hawaii's best interest to develop this resource and embrace the technology it brings, not to mention the convenience efficiency it offers between the islands. I hope this will be concluded soon. Those who break the law in their protests should be arrested as anyone else would be if they break the law.

Thank you for you efforts. Fred & Claire Dauer

Superferry

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From:	Casmero, Jacqueline [JCasmero@OMM.com]	
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:47 AM	
To:	testimony	

Subject: Superferry

The Superferry is a great asset to the islands not only for travel between the islands, but for any disasters that maybe on the horizon for Hawaii. If there was an emergency, the Superferry could be one of the greatest assets of the islands. Not only is it hypocritical to not let the Superferry do business, it flys in the face of all the other boats, ships and cruise lines from foreign waters that threaten the ecosystem of Hawaii, in addition to tons of soot emanating from jets and inter-island jets travel. Regular athletic shoes which can harbor seeds from any country is also to be considered as polluting and invasive. What do we do, make everyone throw out their athletic shoes when they come to Hawaii and make them wear slippers? I believe the great technology inherent in the Superferry will enable the ships crew to avoid any mishaps to the whales, and a cursory inspection of cars could be applied to cars boarding the Superferry to make sure that no rocks or criminal activity is not using the Superferry to broaden their illegal activities.

I vote for letting the Superferry sail to bring the islands together and not tear them apart.

Jacki Casmero resident of Makaha

From:deb pink [dpink03@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:42 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

I have just returned from Hawaii in September.

Hawaii inland is fantastic.

The view of Hawaii from a cruise ship is awesome.

I think it should be shared with as many people as possible.

However; the cruise expense is not affordable for young people, couples with children and many other age groups. Low income groups as well as higher income groups that have financial challenges such as high medical bills, just plain financial struggles. Please allow everyone to enjoy Hawaii to its fullest. I am not a resident of Hawaii but

I feel that there are Hawaiian residents that have not had the

oopportunity to see the awesome views that can be seen only from the "outside in".

The most amazing scenery to be was viewed from the ship.

I feel that the Hawaii Superferry will be affordable to people that can not afford to pay for a cruise or even an excursion that already exist from the island.

I know that personally it has been a financial sacrifice to afford the cruise. I have dreamed of that vacation for years and only because of a free flight over

to the island and much saving was I able to afford the cruise.

If the Hawaii Superferry remains my hope is to be able to return to the island and take advantage of the more reasonable pricing and see more of the beauty in that great state.

My question lies in the wonder why a huge criuse ship is allowed and the smaller ferry isn't.

Please allow the ferry with the limitations that are needed to assure the safety of wildlife; but do not remove the vessel that can be such a great asset in the education of the children. And a great pleasure to anyone that boards it to see more of the surrounding beauty that exist on the other islands that even your own residents haven't been able to see.

Thank you for your concern for the wildlife; but let's look at the advantage for the mankind that can take advantage of the Hawaii Superferry.

May God Continue to Bless You Today! Deborah Pinkerton

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From:Nelly Getz [salsagata@gmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:49 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry

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Aloha!

I am sending in my support for the Super Ferry. As a resident of Oahu I was delighted with the Ferry's arrival. I was very sad to see my fellow brothers and sisters on the neighbor islands receive the ferry with such a bad example of how we give Aloha here in the islands. I believe the Ferry will be a great asset to our state!

Nelly
From: ,Sent: To: Subject: Robert Miura [robmiura@aol.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:48 AM testimony superferry

I think you should be listening to the silent majority on this issue. Our opinions are more important than the few vocal news getting minority. Do what is right for Hawaii. Thanks, Robert Miura

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From:Gail Baker [gbaker1953@sbcglobal.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:21 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Ferry

Dear Legislature,

I think that the Hawaii Ferry will be an asset to the islands in many ways. It will help with tourism to be able to easily go from island to island. It will be an asset to the locals needing to get to Oahu for business, family, sports, or medical reasons. Please take this letter as one who is very supportive of the ferry service.

Sincerely,

Gail Baker Mauna Lani, Big Island

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From:David L. Bigelow [up_country@hotmail.com]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 11:14 PMTo:testimonySubject:Testimony in Favor of SuperFerry

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

Environment

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I would like to testify in favor of the Bill allowing the SuperFerry to operate while environmental studies are completed. I am one of the majority of the citizens of Hawaii who believe the SuperFerry is a good thing for the State of Hawaii and it's people. As representatives of the people, you are duty bound to accomplish the will of the majority - not be swayed by a loud and rude minority!

Don't believe for a moment that the people who attended the neighbor Island meetings represent the majority. You saw the rude and obnoxious behavior towards those who testified in favor of the SuperFerry. Is it any wonder most people in favor of the SuperFerry stayed away from those meetings? You've seen the polls, and know what the people you represent want. Please act accordingly.

David L. Bigelow

67-1158 Pakila Road

Kamuela, Hawaii 96743

From: Lionel Freitas [lionel822@yahoo.com] Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:21 AM To: testimony

It is absolutely incredible that something as wonderful as a means to tie the islands together is finally within reach and a small portion of the population wants to stop it. I would be interested at what "powers" (read \$\$\$\$) are really behind this effort. Wake up Hawaii, control your own destiny....don't let the haoles tell you what to do....AGAIN.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Sean Fagan [spf65@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:47 AM testimony Superferry

I support a special session of the Hawaii State Legislature to identify a solution that would enable Hawaii Superferry to continue operation while the environmental assessment is being conducted.

The people of Hawaii want

interisland transportation choices. Hawaii Superferry is a transportation alternative that is wanted and needed by residents and businesses of Hawaii and will bring many benefits to our state.

Prompt action is needed to save this transportation option and protect Hawaii's business climate.

Mahalo,

From: Greg Mescan [mescang001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:49 AM

To: testimony

Subject: PASS THE SUPERFERRY LEGISLATION TO ALLOW IT TO OPERATE

Aoha:

Please pass the legislation allowing the superferry to operate between Oahu, Kauai, and Maui during the EIS or EIA period. Hawaii needs to have options for its citizens to commute between the islands without having to rely only upon Young Brothers for vehicle and cargo transport and the airlines. This option will also allow the islands to have reliable and quick response options during times of emergency such as hurricane, tidal wave, or during periods of national defense.

This ship is one of the most modern platforms on the civilian side in the islands and can become a pearl of the islands. Hawaii should be known as the "CAN DO" place to reside and commute rather than the "NO CAN" place for commerce and business. Thank you.

Greg Mescan 94-1015 Lahe Street Mililani, Hawaii 96789 808-478-7296

From: JULIANNE KUMASHIRO [kumashirp001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:47 AM

To: testimony

Subject: SUPPORT FOR HAWAII SUPERFERRY

I am in support of the Hawaii Super Ferry and am very disappointed that it has not sailed. I have been looking forward to using the ferry between islands. I hope that the issues will be resolved as soon as possible and the ferry will be sailing. If the government fails to get this ferry going, it will look very unfavorable to the majority of the residents in Hawaii and to people who travel here.

Julianne Kumashiro

From: Ken Grier [bigislandken@msn.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:50 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry

Aloha

I am in favor of the super ferry. I think it gives the people of Hawaii a unique opportunity for inter island travel. It also gives people another option that don't like to fly. The fearer of flying is a very real fear.

Mahalo, J. Kenyon Grier RB Koa Realty Cell (808) 896-3620 www.HawaiiResortsForSale.com hawaiiresorts@msn.com

From: Sharon.S.Hahn@kp.org

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:14 AM

To: testimony

To whom it may concern,

I am in favor of the SuperFerry! In the event of a natural disaster; the SuperFerry can speedup needed supplies, medical support and aid in evacuations if necessary. If a hurricane hit the islands; airports may also be damaged and the SuperFerry may be another alternative for help. I do not feel the people who are opposed to the ferry system are looking at all the positive factors. My husband and I are in the EMS and healthcare system and both of us feel that in the event of an emergency, the Super ferry may play an important role in the evacuation or delivery of help. Thank You!

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From: art musso [artmusso@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:50 AM

To: testimony

dears sirs

of the Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment i am in favor of a inter~island ferry service, and am strongly in favor of them operating while a environmental review is conducted! aloha and thank you for your time.

arthur and yumiko musso

Climb to the top of the charts! Play Star Shuffle: the word scramble challenge with star power. Play Now!

From:Yolanda Kerr [yolanda808@gmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:51 AMTo:testimonySubject:In favor of Hawaii Super Ferry

As third generation islander and a small business owner, I am in favor of the Super Ferry as the service to expand businesses for the small business owner, thus boosting the economy. Unfortunately, most business owners are hard at work and cannot break away to lobby or to vocalize our concerns. We are the providers of goods and services that help build the economy of Hawaii, yet we are ignored. Having the Super Ferry give the small business owners options to expand and move goods and services faster and economically.

There are always solutions to problems or challenges and I believe there will be a solution that will be agreeable to everyone, as long as we give it a chance. If we miss the boat and do not support the Super Ferry, Hawaii loses and continue to limits itself in growth and opportunities.

Mahalo

Yolanda Kerr

From: Sent: To: Subject: St. Smith [sarahkauai@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:18 AM testimony Superferry needs EIS

Dear Madams and Sirs,

Please, use great caution when deciding on the Superferry issue!!!

We absolutely need and EIS. Do not set an unwise precedent by allowing this important step to be by-passed.

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Please do right by your constituents by upholding the law of the land. Superferry should not be grated and exception.

Mahalo,

Sarah Smith 3935 Punahele Rd. Princeville, HI 96722

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From: Sent: To: Valerie Cook [vandbcook@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:52 AM testimony

Oct 23, 2007 @ 5:50 am To whom it may concern:

I am in support of the superferry service. So is the majority of the state. We have several ships that pass through our pacific and I still do not understand why this ship is so different. Please do not deny your majority vote to favor small political groups.

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Thank you, Valerie Cook, CRNA 846 Oneawa St Kailua, HI 96734

From:Nicole Vance [inikiniki@gmail.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:54 AMTo:testimony

Subject: in favor of Hawaii Superferry...

To Whom It May Concern... And this concerns everyone. I am writing in favor of the superferry and letting the ferry run during the time it will take to get the EIS done. I live in Hawaii because i believe in Hawaiis vaues and the importance of Family. nowhere else i have ever been has had placed such an importance on family. I believe that the Superferry will bring families closer together. Families on different islands, families camping, shopping, attending cultural events together. Families that wont be separated by the expence of expensive per flyer plane fares and rental car fees.

thank you for listening.... thank you for hearing......

"We are always in our own company."..... Nietzsche

From: Zac Baricuatro [baricuatp001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:54 AM

To: testimony

Subject: HAWAII SUPERFERRY

ALQHA....I AM IN FAVOR OF THE SUPERFERRY!!! AS A RESIDENT OF HAWAII AND A HAWAIIAN, I HAVE TRAVELED IN BETWEEN THE ISLANDS AND IN THE PAST HAVE SHIPPED MY VEHICLES BY BARGE TO HAVE THE CONVIENCE OF MY OWN VEHICLE ON THE DIFFERENT ISLANDS ... KAUAI, MAUI, AND HAWAII ... THIS WAS FOR BOTH VACATION AND WORK. WITH THE BARGE, I LOST THE USE OF MY VEHICLE FOR TWO DAYS BEFORE I FLEW TO THE OUTER ISLAND AND TWO DAYS AFTER 1 LEFT THE OUTER ISLAND...BUT AS A SUPERFERRY USER I WOULD NOT LOOSE THE USE OF MY VEHICLE FOR FOUR DAYS. ALSO, I WOULD NOT BE ADDING TRAFFIC TO THE OUTER ISLANDS ... SINCE MY SON IS GOING TO THE STATE BOWLING COMPETITION IN HILO THIS NOVEMBER 1ST AND 2ND, NOW I HAVE TO **RENT A VEHICLE** INSTEAD OF USING MY OWN VEHICLE...FOR ME ITS A CHOICE OF RENT OR MY OWN VEHICLE ... I WOULD CHOOSE MY OWN VEHICLE I AM ALSO HANDICAPPED 100%, SO I WILL TAKE MY HANDICAPPED TAG AND USE IT ON A RENTED VEHICLE WHILE ON THE BIG ISLAND FOR ME THE SUPERFERRY IS AN ADVANTAGE TO ME AND MY FAMILY ... IT SAVES ME MONEY AND TIME ... AND MY HARD EARNED MONEY WILL STAY IN HAWAII AND IN MY POCKET ...

THE FERRY DOES NOT AFFECT THE WHALES AS THEY WILL NOT BE SEARCHING THE OCEAN TO FIND THEM AND SHOW THEM OFF TO THE TOURISTS...THE TIME IN THE WATERS AROUND WHALES IS LESS AS THEY ARE GOING IN A STRAIGHT LINE TO THIER DESTINATION WHILE **THE TOUR BOATS LOOK FOR THE WHALES** AND STOP IN THE VICINITY OF WHALES SO THAT TOURISTS CAN WATCH THEM AND TAKE PICTURES...THESE TOUR BOATS HAVE MORE IMPACT AND THREAT TO THE WHALES THEN THE SUPERFERRY ...

AS FOR ECOLOGY, I HAVE SEEN MORE RUBBISH FALL OFF THE TOUR BOATS INTO THE WATER AS THE TOURISTS ARE NOT AKAMAI TO THE WAYS OF THE SEA...THE FERRY HAS MADE SPECIAL EFFORTS TO KEEP THE RUBBISH AND WASTE ON BOARD AND DISPOSAL OF IN HONOLULU....THERE ARE ALOT OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS TODAY THAT DO NOT HAVE AN IMPACT STATEMENT AND IF THEY DID, THEY WOULD NOT BE IN BUSINESS TODAY....ALL THOSE GRANDFATHERED OPERATIONS...

I AM EDUCATED AND HAWAIIAN...I GRADUATED FROM KAMEHAMEHA 1963...I WAS A PROFESSIONAL PILOT AND MY LAST JOB WAS WITH THE COUNTY OF HAWAII FIRE DEPARTMENT ON THE BIG ISLAND DOING MEDIVAC, RESCUE AND FIGHTING FIRES..MY EXTENDED FAMILY LIVES ON ALL THE ISLANDS, AND I HAVE FAMILY LAND ON MAUI...SO FOR ME THE FERRY IS A BIG ADVANTAGE TO MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND I WOULD NOT BE ADDING ADDITIONAL RUBBISH OR TRAFFIC TO THE OUTER ISLANDS... INTER ISLAND TRAFFIC IS HERE TO HERE TO STAY...

I AM IN FAVOR OF THE SUPERFERRY!!!!

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From:Charlene Cambra [ccambra77@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:27 AMTo:testimonySubject:superferry

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I strongly support the Superferry and had planned to use it to visit relatives on the neighbor islands. I feel that it can only add to our Islands economy Thank you,

Charlene Cambra

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From: Michael Mackey [mackeym003@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:54 AM

To: testimony

Subject: In Favor of Superferry

To the Hawaii Legislature,

I think it is time to point the finger of blame for the Superferry debacle where it is deserved...at the Hawaii Courts. Nevermind the transplants from the mainland who have created the shameful adolescent protests and idiotic scenes on Maui, but let us expose the cause of all this turmoil and the damage. Why is it that the judges on Maui and Oahu ruled in favor of the Superferry, in accordance with all previous rulings on issues of transport and harbor use, then suddenly find that the ferry is "new technology" when a vocal minority begins shouting and creating havoc? And further blame goes to the Hawaii Supreme Court for letting the case sit for two years and after hundreds of millions of dollars were spent on the good faith that the government of Hawaii could be trusted to perform as promised.

Hawaii needs the Superferry, but now it looks like it will never have it. When the economy of the islands sinks because of the damge to our image on the world stage, I hope that everyone will remember who fired the fatal salvo, the Hawaii Courts.

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From: Christie Pitts [capitts@sbcglobal.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:27 AM

To: testimony

Subject: SUPPORT OF FERRY

I am in support of the bill that will permit the Ferry to operate while an environmental report is conducted. I think it is very important to the State of Hawaii for its people and tourist that will be visiting the Islands. Thank you, Christi Pitts

From:Glenn Skedeleski [glenn@cghawaii.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:55 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

Please let the ferry run. Hawaii needs its services. Glenn Skedeleski

From:CKAANGEL@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:27 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Super Ferry must be aloud to operate......

To: The Senate: Judiciary & Labor Transportation & Intern. Affairs & Energy & Environment.

Hearing Date: Wed. Oct. 24, 2007 Time & Location: 10:30 a.m. Auditorium State Capital

Aloha,

I am for the Super Ferry to remain and operate in the Hawaiian Islands because, we need to travel to the outer Islands via other alternatives like the Super Ferry, instead of having to travel by Airplane all the time. The Super Ferry creates jobs, brings visitors (Locals & Tourist) to different islands to enjoy a vacation or family get together's, and opens up endless possibilities for Agriculture Locally Grown on different Islands. to be shipped at a lower cost and pass the savings onto people like us, via a different route then air freight, for all the 3 islands that will be serviced by the Ferry System. We must let the Super Ferry begin Operations for the Betterment of All the Islands & it's People.

Sincerely Yours, Cherylann Aholelei

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From:Jerry Pearce [Barnstormer@talihina.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:15 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry

I lived in Hawaii (Oahu) for over 18 years, but now reside in Oklahoma. I still cherish Hawaii very much, and plan to visit next summer.

I think the Super Ferry is something that is needed there very much. I don't know what all of the objections are, i.e. probably environmental, but I think they can be overcome. Good luck.

Aloha & Tchuss

Jerry

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Joann Mattos [mattosj@ci.reno.nv.us] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 3:48 AM testimony Hawaii Superferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24 Time & Location: 10:30am Auditorium, State Capitol

Dear Sirs,

As a former resident, I am in favor of the Superferry service. This is a great opportunity for alternative interisland travel especially at this time when air travel is very expensive. I know there is concern for the environment, but one should look at other places that have this type of service and see how much it has impacted their environment. I believe this will be very beneficial for Hawaii's economy.

Thank you.

Joann Mattos Office Assistant II PW/Corp Yard 334-2243 X 224 mattosj@ci.reno.nv.us

From:Kika Kane [kikalanikane@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:27 AMTo:testimonySubject:superferry

I am in favor of having a ferry between the islands.

Kika Kane, Hilo HI

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please let the super ferry run in Hawaii aloha deb aikala

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From:	Ray Rogers [rayrogers.onmaui@hawaiiantel.net]		
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:33 AM		
To:	testimony		
Subject:	10-23-07 Superferry is my best alternative to visit neighbor islands & is good business for all of us.		
Importance: High			

Aloha,

Let the Superferry operate and demonstrate their concerns for the environment while the study is completed. It's time for Hawaii to come to the party and have an alternative method for travel between the islands. This method of transport is used all over the world and Hawaii is missing out on the many benefits that this will bring.

The majority want and need this service,

Mahalo & Aloha,

Ray Rogers Lahaina Maui since 1984

From: Sent: To: Subject: Glover, Jacquetta R Mrs DoD Ben [renae.glover@us.army.mil] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:35 AM testimony Inter-Island Ferry

Hi

My husband and I have five children of our own, and we are foster parents also. Having a inter-island ferry would be a wonderful asset to living here in Hawaii. This ferry would allow us the opportunity to visit the other islands with our children and foster children occasionally. We have tried before but because of the rising air fares, it has become too expensive for us to carry the children. The children has expressed their disappointment of not being able to travel to the other islands with us on different occasions.

I think this would be a wonderful opportunity for all of the Hawaii Islands to come together and give the Hawaiian natives and visitor's an opportunity to explore the other islands.

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Thanks,

Renae

From:rhunter796@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:36 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

Let the Superferry operate pending the environmental impact report. The operating company was told it didn't need the report, has invested it's money on that basis and it is only fair that it should continue on that track until there is good reason to believe that the environment will suffer. Finally, that will also give the customer a chance to really vote.

Aloha. Richard Hunter

Richard C. Hunter 486 Portlock Road Honolulu, HI 96825 (808) 394-8326

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From: Sent: To: Subject: grega808@hawaii.rr.com Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:37 AM testimony HAWAII SUPERFERRY

I believe that mistakes have been made on both sides of this issue.

However, if the Superferry is not allowed to run during the environmental impact study we all know that it most likely will move to another location. The majority of the people of this state NEED and WANT the Superferry so lets not have the noisy minority push it out.

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Pass this bill to allow the Superferry to begin service again as soon as possilbe. Thank you

Greg Armstrong

From:Carbone, Doreen [Doreen.Carbone@vantagetravel.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:39 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Super Ferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Dear Sir or Madame,

I am not a resident of Hawaii but I am an annual visitor to your beautiful state. Sometimes more that once a year. When I heard about the Superferry, I was thrilled. It was an alternate means to see other islands without having to go to the airport. What a relaxing way to commute.

After reading numerous reports and articles regarding the protest and the temporary halting of the service, I felt compelled to join my Hawaiian friends and express my thoughts in support of the Ferry. I have been traveling to Hawaii every year since 1986. Every time that I would like to visit another Island, I would have to deal with the hassel of making my way to the Airport, dealing with the long lines and the security as well as being cramped on an airplane. I always felt that Ferry Service between the islands would be the perfect alternative to make inter island travel much more enjoyable. So you can imagine my excitement when I first read about the new Super Ferry.

I believe that with the operation of the Ferry, you will increase tourism on the neighboring islands and make it very enjoyable. What an opportunity to see your fabulous see life on a relaxing journey across the beautiful waters of the Pacific.

Please allow the Ferry to operate.

Sincerely,

Doreen Carbone

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From:Shirley Sauer [Roo513@msn.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:35 AMTo:testimonySubject:HEARING-SUPERFERRY

To: Judiciary and Labor Transportation and International Affairs Energy and Environment

Please support the Hawaii Superferry. Service on ferry is vital. Energy saver and environmentally a great service. Shirley Sauer, MA

From:	Brice Conquest [Bricon@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:41 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Hawaii Superferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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I wish to submit this letter in favor of allowing to the Hawaii Superferry to operate while an environmental study is being performed.

My reasons are as follows:

1. The State of Hawaii needs another marine based interisland form of transportation. While we do have Young Bros. barge service, it is slow and inefficient in terms of cargo handling.

2. Neighbor island farmers will greatly benefit by having another mode of interisland delivery. They could load a refrigerated truck one day and have it making deliveries on Oahu the next, directly to their customers.

3. The State of Hawaii faces serious liability concerns if the Superferry fails. All approvals were given to the Superferry, whether correct or not, and the taxpayers could face serious damages in the hundreds of millions of dollars based upon such approvals.

4. Other Superferrys are already in operation, even in waters with whales. I traveled to Bar Harbor, Maine two years ago to ride the CatFerry to Nova Scotia. This ferry travels through waters laden with lobster traps and whales. It has done so successfully for a number of years.

5. Other forms of transportation, namely airlines, cargo ships, cruise ships and barges have not been subjected to environmental studies. Yet we have had coqui frogs, snakes, and various invasive plants introduced to the islands. Perhaps you might want to consider requiring all forms of transportation to have some type of environmental study? 6. As a native of the island of Hawaii, former resident of Maui and current resident of Oahu, I can see both sides of the picture. I believe the facts still prevail on the side of allowing the Superferry to operate, especially since an EIS will be performed along with ongoing scrutiny of its operation.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit these comments.

Brice Conquest 925 Keala`olu Ave.

Honolulu, HI 96816

ph: 808-737-3837

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jeffy Jenifer Hill [hilljkhi@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:35 AM testimony Hawaii Superferry

I am in support for the Hawaii Superferry. It will enable a fun and accessible way to visit the other islands.

Specifics:

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From:lynn santos [gene72055@msn.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:41 AMTo:testimony

Subject: ferry

aim for the ferry in Hawaii. it will help a lot of people save money. and be able to take trips to other inland with there can as if the fly it is more money. I do not think it will hurt the whale or any sea things . what about the boats the are out there looking for the whale they hurt more of them Lynn Santos

From: Sandy Higgins [mshiggins05@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:48 AM

To: testimony

Sir, if the Superferry is not allowed to run, how can we justify any transports or cruise ships to run in Hawaiian waters?
From: ABBIE HAVRE [HAVREA001@Hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:43 AM

To: testimony

Subject: superferry

october 24, 2007 @ 4:28 am: aloha kakou: i am a native hawaiian who was born on kauai, whose mother came from hana, maui, whose great grandparents emigrated from kohala down to kealia, big island and settled on kauai, whose cousins live on molokai, lanai and niihau and my son who settled in mountain view, hilo. i support the superferry because with the mana'o of our ancestors who loved the land and sea and with the akamai leadership of our people of this state, there is a positive potential for families togetherness! i am an avid environmentalist by choice and have been one for many years. with integrity and honest design for our people and our environment this can be a win win issue. big ships between our islands is not new. we have it going on today but the focus is not for the islander but for our economic tourist. the superferry is an affordable venue for us to see our ohana, we do not need to wait for years to visit each other. malama pono, abbie waiwaiole

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

I am in support of the Hawaii Superferry. I have been a resident of Hawaii since 1980. In my early years of residency I had an opportunity to visit the outer islands via organized trips for softball tournaments. Of my fondest memories I remember being welcomed by outer island families into their ohana during these tournaments. Now having a family and enjoying the beauty of the islands I was looking forward to having my family enjoy camping on the outer islands and being able to meet other families enjoying the same. With the Hawaii Superferry it would give us an opportunity to do that without the limitations of the camping gear allowed thru airline travel.

I am in favor of the Hawaii Superferry. Please don't let a GREAT IDEA be wasted during the environmental assessments.

Carolyn Kargol

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Russ Thomas [wresly@msn.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:43 AM testimony ahyama@hawaii.rr.com Super Ferry

Please support the bill that will permit service in Hawaii while an enviromental impact statement is being conducted.

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Sincerely, Russ Thomas Retired Teadher Kapaa High School

From:	Joe Kittrell [jkittrell@pssiglobal.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:51 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Hawaii Senate Committees Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment
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Attachments: Joe Kittrell.vcf

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Superferry would be great for our company doing interisland jobs....without it we are stuck with HTB (barge) which is very expensive, slow and unreliable.

We are a nationwide Broadcast Satellite Television Mobile service company and we have equipment in Hawaii now trying to better serve the State of Hawaii for the Broadcast Television Networks. One of the challenges for us is getting our trucks between Islands. Currently as I have stated we only are able to do this with HTB. Often we are not able to get between Islands in time for a news story or it is so expensive to cover a sporting event due to the shipping cost. It often is more expensive than the cost of our truck service and the space segment on the satellite back to the networks.

I have not thought about it until now, but since we do a lot of news stories, I think we should look into getting this to the National Networks and International Networks and see what that public opinion would be.

Personally I find it very strange that other services like HTB are able to operate and a valuable, reasonably priced service like Superferry threatened to be blocked in the name of environment. What about the environmental impact of competing services? Boats have been used to service the Islands forever. Why block this one? I have to believe that whatever concerns there may be to environment could be dealt with.

Thank you for your time and listening to me;

Joe Kittrell

X	Joe Kittrell

From: ,Sent: To: Subject: Sonya [finkey@hawaiiantel.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:51 AM testimony Hawaii Super Ferry good for Big Island

Aloha,

As residents of Keaau, Hawaii, our family heartily endorses the Super Ferry service to Hilo. Please do include this testimony in your hearing Wed Oct 34, 2007.

Also is it fair that Kauai and Maui ruin it for the rest of us? Why not let each Island decide independently?

Mahalo,

Sonya Finkey Jozef Finkey Ilona Finkey Sandor Finkey

From: Bill Rogers [rogersb009@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:48 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Supper Fairy

THOMC, Hawaii stands at an opportunity to move forward, inprove island life, attract visitors, stimulate the economy.

Obstructionist need to be over come for to good of total population.

I incur age each of you to vote for the supper Fairy mahalo Bill Rogers (Kona)

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From:	thagaman1@comcast.net
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:43 AM
То:	testimony
Subject:	superferry

To Whom it may concern;

My wife and I recently completed a trip where we spent one week on the Big Island and one on Oahu. During our travels around the islands we spoke to many people who reside in Hawaii. We continually asked their opinions about the Superferry. We found not one person who didn't think it was a good project and would benefit the islands and it's people. Many were looking forward to being more mobile and being able to sell their wares in a more diverse market the outer islands would afford. We are frequent visitors to the islands and are very much in favor of the superferry but as visitors have little if any vested interest. That is why we asked the people who do their opinion. It was overwhelmingly positive. They would appreciate your support. Thank You Ron & Yvonne Hagaman

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President and Members of the State Senate

Testimony: Superferry Supported

I ask your support in allowing the Superferry to operate during the development of its EA/EIS process.

It was not fair that the Superferry followed the instructions of the State of Hawaii, expecting to be operational thereafter and have a ruling saying not thereafter.

I do not see the difference of this vessel's operation vs. Young Brothers, Matson, Cruises or Tour Boats.

I urge you to allow the Superferry to operate during the EA/EIS process.

From: HELMUTH PESENTHEINER [pepipes@msn.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 4:48 AM

To: testimony

Subject: In favor of Hawaii SuperFerry

I am in favor of Hawaii Superferry as an alternate means of transportation for my family and myself to the neighbor islands. Whil I am concerned about the environment I feel that special restrictions on the operation of the ferry proposed by some activist groups should apply to other means of sea transportation such as barges, cruise ships and sightseeing craft wherever applicable as well.

Please let the Hawaii SuperFerry operate while an environmental assessment is being made.

Carlotta Pesentheiner

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From:

Harold von Sydow

906 Koko Isle Circle

Honolulu, HI 96825

My family and I support to the Hawaii Superferry, and vote to resume Interisland ferry services in Hawaii.

The Hawaii Superferry will benefit all of us residents of Hawaii for both business and pleasure trips.

Sincerely yours

Harold von Sydow

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From: Joy C. Bounds [paxetbonum@hawaiiantel.net]

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

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry

I am in favor of allowing the Superferry to sail during the time an environmental study is completed.

Mrs. J. C. Bounds

From: Sent: To: Subject: wsingh1971@charter.net Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:43 AM testimony Support

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

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This is an opportunity for all residents and visitors of Hawaii to experience all that the Islands have to offer. It is unfortunate that politics continue to shape public policy when the overwhelming majority of individuals support the concept. The economic advantages to the State are clear, and you will find that the impact to the environment can be managed with the effort and cooperation of all involved. The legislation should be passed to support the Superferry.

Waldeep Singh Resident State of California

From: John Mock [mockj@earthlink.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:39 AM

To: testimony

Subject: support for Superferry

We wish to go on record for support for the Superferry. We are owners of unit 2005 Marine Surf and feel that the ferry's service will greatly enhance inter-island travel and commerce.

John Mock Charles Dibert

From: Teri Teri [call4hawaii@sbcglobal.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:17 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Legislature's Public Access Room

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PLEASE STOP THE MADNESS! The SuperFerry is a good thing, jobs, revenue! Benefits for us all! Much too much money has been spent, and now wasted! Let the SuperFerry operate! Do NOT allow what happened in Hanalei to happen again!

Teri Young, Kauai

Teri J. Young, Certified Hawaii Specialist Master Disney Specialist and Cruise Consultant Owner, DREAMCATCHER phone: 916 927-0445 fax: 916 419-4135 www.dreamcatchervacations.com teri@dreamcatchervacations.com call4hawaii@sbcglobal.net

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From:Habell-Jower, Diane [Diane_Habell-Jower@csaa.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:43 AMTo:testimonySubject:Island Ferry

Hi,

I am a travel agent in California and have been sending tourists to Hawaii for 27 years. The ferry would increase the value of my clients' trips as they could visit another island as a day trip in addition to local folks who might want to go for a visit.

Thank you

Diane Habell-Jower

From: Don Taylor [sailhi@msn.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:44 AM

To: testimony

I would like the question to be asked - What happens after the environmental study? Will all those against the Superferry be for it than. I am for the Superferry and do not feel an environmental study will silence the critics or "save the whales".

Don Taylor - Haiku, Maui

From:ted [ted@thomsco.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:39 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

This extreme anti-business activity the opponents of the SF promote will severely damage the future opportunities of the State.

Ted J. Thoms Thoms Company Commercial-Investment Real Estate 612 E. Tan Tara Circle Ste. 300 Sioux Falls, SD 57108-6429 ted@thomsco.com (605) 323-1600 Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment.

Hearing Date: Wednesday October 24, 2007

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Legislature's Public Access Room: testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

October 22, 2007

I, Mary Ann DuBoyce who resides in Mililani, Hawaii and on behalf of my family, wholeheartedly support the operation of the Hawaii Superferry in the State of Hawai'i.

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

I can only think of many positive and good reasons for the Hawaii Superferry to operate <u>here</u>.

The reason why my family and I are supporters of the Hawaii Superferry and the bill permitting Its operation while an environmental impact statement is being conducted is very simple in that these islands are long overdue for an alternative means of transportation to and from the outer island. We also believe that the Hawaii Superferry is good for small business and will definitely generate revenue for the State of Hawai'i.

The Hawaii Superferry would also be beneficial to any person with a physical disability Or for a person who cannot travel by other means of transportation to and from each island. They would be able to conveniently load the necessary equipment needed.

In the event of a natural disaster on any of the islands, the Hawaii Superferry could aide in transporting valuable cargo and crew to any location to help with recovery efforts.

This does not mean that we will discontinue using the present methods of transportation. We just want to have choices and fair and friendly competition for all business in the State of Hawai'i.

I can go on and on about all the good reasons to keep the Hawaii Superferry.

Thank you for your time and consideration in the matter.

Mary Ann DuBoyce Resident and Supporter of Hawaii Superferry mariko_dub@msn.com

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From:	Martin, Dani [IT] [Dani.Martin@sprint.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:16 AM
To:	testimony
Cc:	danihome
Subject:	Super Ferry

Dear Sirs of the Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment Committees,

This letter is to respond, in support of, the issue of the Super Ferry which will be heard on Wednesday, October 24, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. in the Auditorium at the State Capitol in Honolulu, Hawaii. Although I do not currently reside in Hawaii, I am a native Hawaiian that was born and raised there. I have had a chance to review the information regarding the Super Ferry and have concluded that this is a positive movement for Hawaii. I understand there are concerns for our ocean, the pollution etc. But how does this differ from the cruise ships we having running inter island now? Or the airplanes that crowd our skies? I know there are also concerns about the pace at which Hawaii is moving in order to stay in competition with the mainland. We always talk about educating Hawaiians so we can compete fairly in the world, how are we supposed to do that if we do not support forward movement? There is a thin line between preserving our culture and preventing our culture from growing. It is our responsibility to keep our culture alive by learning and using our native tongue whether it is by 'olelo, hula or oli, keeping the memories of our King's and Queen's alive, living proudly and confidently as Hawaiian's and educating our children. Having a Super Ferry is not going to change that. We can only loose who we are as Hawaiians if we allow someone to take that away from us. Supporting a positive change does not make us any less aware of the issues we face as Hawaiians, nor does it make us any less sensitive to protecting our 'aina and moana, Having this Super Ferry will allow people to work on outer islands where jobs are more available thus lowering the poverty and welfare rate. It will allow families to visit their 'ohana more often then not. It will allow school and church groups to travel to the outer islands without the high cost of airfare and rental car fees. It will allow companies to expand their businesses by making shipping costs cheaper. To me, this is an opportunity for Hawaii to expand communication, relationships, work skills, life skills and 'ohana,

I believe we should look at this in a positive light and all the benefits it can bring. As I mentioned earlier, I am all for preserving my culture, but I also believe that in order for Hawaiians to compete in the world, we must support forward movement and I believe having a Super Ferry is just that, forward movement.

Thank you for your time.

Aloha E Malama Pono,

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From:	Valerie Harris [cy_co@hotmail.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:45 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	Superferry

I am in favor of the superferry, although I do feel that the enviromental impact should have been done, it is now too late to go backwards so we must look to the future, but future project that impact our islands should definately have to do the study.

Valerie Harris

From:	md808 mark [md808@hotmail.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:45 AM
То:	testimony

Subject: Hawaii super ferry session testimony

Aloha

I would like to submit my testimony in support of the Hawaii Super ferry. I am from the Pacific Nort West originally where ferries transport cars and people on a daily basis and have been fpr decades. The waters are full of Whales and Dolphins and not once have I ever heard of a ferry hitting one of them. Also, If the Hawaii Super Ferry is not allowed to operate, then all marine operators using the same harbors and routes should also be halted as well until the EIS is done. It is not fair buissness practice to single out one buisness like this.

Mahalo

Mark Danielson

Honolulu

From: Cory Crockett [corycrockett@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:49 AM

To: testimony

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We live on the Big Island with most of our family being on Oahu and would love another option to air travel without having to rent a car. We love going to Oahu to go shopping for things we frequently run out of or simply don't have here in Kona.

Aloha, Cory K. Crockett

Kindness is an inner desire that makes us want to do good things even if we do not get anything in return. It is the joy of our life to do them. When we do good things from this inner desire, there is kindness in everything we think, say, want and do. - Emmanuel Swedenborg

From:WILLIAM J. [wj2003@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:29 AMTo:testimonySubject:Allow the Super Ferry to operate

Please allow the super ferry to operate in Hawaii. It is something that will only benefit the people here on Oahu and the neighbor islands.

WILLIAM J.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Henry Yee [yeeh010@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:01 AM testimony Hawaii Superferry

Hawaii Superferry is good for Hawaii, do not let her leave Hawaii and never to return. Do not let the special interest groups keep the Superferry away from Hawaii, namely: Young Brothers, interisland airlines, car rental companies, boat tour groups, Matson, stupid people of Hawaii, environmentalists, etc.

Let the Superferry saol in Hawaii!

From:Ron McIntosh [ron@pacificjewels.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:51 AMTo:testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry Testimony

HAWAII SUPERFERRY PUBLIC TESTIMONY

I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry because I believe that, for a number of reasons, as an Island State we desperately need a marine transportation alternative to airline travel. However, I feel that the groups who are demanding the EIS, as well as the groups who are rabidly opposed to the Superferry, have raised some very valid concerns which must be addressed by the Superferry. I would therefore support the decision to enable the Superferry to resume operations while the EIS is being implemented, subject to the following requirements:

(1) Immediate installation of forward looking sonar equipment with a highly trained person to operate the instrument at all times when the vessel is under way, with direct communication to the pilot to warn of the presence and location of any whales or other marine mammals. Sonar would also warn of the presence of any large floating objects which might damage the vessel, thus greatly increasing the overall safety profile of the vessel.

(2) A temporary ban on the transportation of lumber, building materials, potted plants or other nursery stock and any other cargo which might contain coqui frogs until such time as the Superferry presents a plan which will insure that no coquis will come aboard on cargo or on the vehicles themselves.

(3) A ban on the transportation of any vehicles which have mud on the tires, wheel wells, bumpers or undercarriage, as mud could spread noxious weeds, fungal spores, nematodes and any number of other disease causing organisms.

(4) The rigid enforcement of the rule that vehicles must be clean inside and out to be allowed on the Superferry.

(5) Absolute transparency and full disclosure of the Superferry's involvement with the US military, including but not limited to the Stryker Brigade with all of its associated equipment and personnel. If the Superferry has secret agreements with the military the people of Hawaii have a right to disclosures I will not support it.

SIGNED: Ronald F. McIntosh (P. O. Box 1077, Volcano, HI 96785-1077)

DATE: <u>22 october 2007</u>

From: rocky paiva [hollywoodroc@msn.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:55 AM

To: testimony

Subject: I support the Superferry!

Hello,

My name is Rocky Paiva and I support the Superferry. I feel that the Superferry is a good thing for our state. A different way of getting around from island to island where we can see the beauty of our state from a new angle. I'm not sure if Young Bros. had to do an E.I.S. but what is the difference in them delivering your vehicle, besides having someone pick you up at Y.B. when you drop off your car, then have to catch a ride to and from work for a couple of days because your car is on the barge, then catch a ride to the airport, and then a Taxi from the airport to the pier to get your car, then when your vacation is done you can do it all over again in reverse to get your car back home. What a hassle. Catch the Superferry and be on your vacation in a few hours, 2 drive on and offs and your done, plus maybe see something that you never seen before. It's time that the Majority of the tax payers get what they want! and don't get me started on the IN GOD WE TRUST issues because that little 14% Minority needs to sit down and shut the #&*@ up.

Mahalo, Rocky Paiva 216-2949

From: August Range [rangea001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:57 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

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I 'm in support of the Superferry for travel and business to all my family and friends on all the Islands.

August K F Range

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From:jjaremko@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:57 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

For:

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It would be nice to be able to pack the car with camping, hiking, golfing, snorkeling, etc gear and enjoy other parts of the state, like you can easily do in the other 49 states. It helps supprt those local economies, too. I would do that with my family often, but without the Superferry, it is cost prohibitive. Thanks for the opportunity to voice my opinion.

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From:DITEBO@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:57 AMTo:testimonySubject:I SUPPORT THE SUPER FERRY

To the Legislature:

My family and I support the Super Ferry. Our disabled son traveled to Oahu last month (with great difficulty) because we could finally take him to Maui and Kauai in our handicap van. How sad that this opportunity was denied him. He is very weak with Spinal Muscular Atrophy and it is doubtful he can make the trip again.

There are so many ways we can preserve the environment in this state that would positively impact our lives before attacking the 'what ifs' of the Super Ferry. We moved from a small island in Rhode Island last year and their long term plan for water preservation was that by 2003 every toilet in the town had to be a 'low flush' capacity. By 2007 every washing machine had to be a front loader. And many residents have installed a 'hot water on demand'. It would be great if all new construction were required to implement these conservation measures. We are in a new high rise condo which is half empty all the time and each one has a big water heater tank going all the time.

Dianne and David Thibeault

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Aloha Senate Energy and Environment Committee Chair,

I would like very much to testify in favor of the Superferry. I was born and raised in Kapahulu, on the island of 'Oahu on June 18th, 1935. When our children were young we took them on camping trips, first on Kaua'i, from Ha'ena to Koke'e. Then to the big island of Hawaii, from Hilo around Ka'u and back to Hilo, then around Waimea and back to Hilo. We've been to Moloka'i and Lana'i. During our trips we had to ship our van via Young Brothers. It was a "pain in the okole" to have my family wait for me at the airport while I took a Taxi to the landing docks to retrieve our van and return to pick-up my family.

Now with the Superferry, my children can take their families and drive right on the ferry...no hassles! Other folks can take their cars, no need to rent one (it's a small amount, but it's a savings to the family). With the Superferry the whole 'ohana can afford to travel, isn't that beautiful? I humbly ask that you vote in favor of the Superferry. This "squabble" about the ferry reminds me of the H-3...what happened to all those who were against the H-3? They're driving on it, it's a good thing.

Respectfully submitted by, Lincoln L. Victor

From:Roger Chun [rogerc@dtric.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:28 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry

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

10/23/07 6:18am

I fully support the Hawaii Superferry. We in Hawaii need alternative modes of transportation. The population growth in Hawaii is rapidly expanding. Which is one of the causes for our huge traffic problem. I think with other modes of transportation such as the Superferry it can only help in lessoning the daily gridlock.

Also it would be an attractive way to see the other islands. For tourists it would be a wonderful way to travel around the islands.

Thank you

Roger Chun

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From: Amado J. Sanchez [amados@groupbuilders.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:27 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Support for Hawaii Superferry

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I am sending this e-mail in support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. With a very limited way of commuting between islands, the Hawaii Superferry offers an excellent alternative. Environmental concerns have already been emphasized and it's reasonable to believe that the management of the superferry will respond responsibly to these concerns and comply with applicable rules and regulations.

Very truly yours, Amado J. Sanchez

From: ,Sent: To: Subject: terry mallen [pterbats@hawaiiantel.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:28 AM testimony super ferry

Let the Super Ferry run. It can only be good for all of us. If Kauai does not want it, then it does not need to go there. I think the Super Ferry is a wonderful addition to our islands.

Therese Mallen, Hilo HI 96720

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From:	Ken Signorello [ken@greendestiny.us]	
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:29 AM	

To: testimony

Subject: Hearing Testimony on Hawaii Super Ferry

Testimony for

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My car and I are on a mission to take a photo in front of each of the 50 state capitols. The project is called the "Green Destiny Capitol Project". To date I've completed 45 and have just one more road trip to go.

The last leg to Alaska was sponsored and followed by hundreds of people. I'm a professional photographer and the photos are still being seen, shared and purchased.

Hawaii will to be my last capitol. However, since I would be shipping my car to Oahu, and no trip to Hawaii with a sports car would be complete without a visit to Maui to ride the Hana Highway, the Super Ferry is a critical component of this last leg. I've been watching and waiting for the inauguration and now worry that my project may have to wait.

I am depending on the Ferry to get me and my car from Oaha to Maui to make it worth the trip.

So the lack of a ferry (at least for me) will have a definite effect on tourism.

You can read about the Green Destiny Capitol Project here:

http://www.greendestiny.us/CapitolProject/

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From:Best Printing Amfac [bptopa@bestprinting.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:30 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry

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I am in support for the Hawaii Superferry. I have lived on Oahu almost my entire life and there has only been one way to get to the other islands, the airplane. I get really nervous when flying. After my dad retired he moved to the Big Island (roughly 11 years ago) and I can count on my fingers how many times I went there to see him. Four times I have gone to see my dad. He has been back 2 times and one was for my brothers death. My two sisters and I and his grandchildren don't go because we have to fly. I know eventually the Hawaii Superferry is going to go to the Big Island. My dad is in his late 70's and I don't know how much more time the Lord is going to give my dad and I do miss him a lot, and I will ride the plane if I have to but I rather ride the Superferry. I also have a nephew who lives in Maui and I have never been over there to see him and his family. So yes I am very much in support of the Hawaii Superferry. This was the greatest idea anyone has had in a very long time.

Thank you – Tami Carlos
From: Moune Romano [Moune.Tabalno@hawaiiantel.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:35 AM

To: testimony

Subject: In Support of The Superferry

Good Morning.

I am in support of the Superferry operating in Hawaiian waters.

The Superferry complied with all requests while starting up business here.

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I personally think that there is big union money behind the agitation. Young Brothers has just as large of boats that ply these waters, and I am certain they don't have people that spot whales.

The environment is extremely important and due diligence is absolutely a must. However. This should have all been done years ago when the process first started.

To have the boat here and the company to continue to lose money every day is an embarrassment to this state. Which is why we have a terrible reputation and no one wants to start up business in Hawaii.

Please support progress and our ability to generate money, and employ our citizens.

Thank you.

Moune Romano Hawaiian Telcom Vice President Wholesale Markets w 808-546-6143 c 808-783-1916

From: Mauimar [mauimar9@hawaii.rr.com]Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:34 AMTo: testimony

Yes, I agree as long as it is safe for the environment.

From: Isellkauai@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:34 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Re: Super Ferry hearing

Gentlèmen,

I implore you to allow the Super Ferry to sail during the Environmental Study. To do anything else would not be fair. During the past few years, more and more cruise ships have been added to the ships that call here. They are for visitors from the mainland. The Super Ferry will serve residents and allow them to go back and forth to Oahu.

Please keep this in mind at our upcomming meeting on the 24th of October. Best regards, Val Pilaria

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From: Kasprzycki Designs [kasprzyckidesigns@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:34 AM

To: testimony

Subject: My companies and I support the Superferry

Aloha,

My name is Atom Kasprzycki and I was born and raised here in the islands. I am president of Kasprzycki Designs Inc. and Copies West LLC. I as wells as my employees support the Superferry and hope for a speedy resolve to the road blocking so that we can all enjoy the use and benefits of the Superferry.

Thank you very much, Atom Kasprzycki

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From: Keith Miller [keithmiller@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:34 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Support for the Superferry

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Please do not let a vocal minority ruin this new business venture in Hawai'i. I have followed this story closely and am dumbfounded by the "local" opposition. Please consider the "not in my back yard" demographics of the protestors who have recently moved here and then demand all other businesses and people immediately stop to protect the land. A little silly and very hypocritical.

Invasive species, whale collisions, etc are the same risk as other businesses utilizing similar vessels. Consider Young Brother, Aloha, Hawaiian, just to name a few who already provide these very same services. Is the island ruined? I think not.

Also, please keep in mind Hawai'i is a state. Maui, Kauai, and Hawaii are counties of this state. They are not sovereign nations and are subject to the same laws as the rest of us. I have read a lot of emails/testimonies where people say "Don't bypass the law" and other silly notions. What seems to be lost here is that the Legislature makes the law, the judiciary interprets the law. It not illegal to change the law, it is why we vote you in.

Thank you for your time. I pray you will do the right thing by the majority and ignore the threats of violence and civil disobedience by the "environmentalist" crowd. After all, do you see people laying across H3 so we can't use it? I seem to remember some sort of stink about that as well.

Aloha, Keith Miller 27 year Mililani resident and voter.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Dana Stombaugh [macfp@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:07 AM testimony Democracy?

Once again, the MINORITY are rulling. By far the superferry is supported by the MAJORITY of Hawaii. It is not right that this small group hold HI captive to the past. As for environmental concerns, most wonder how the ferry can have any different empact than all the cruise ships and freighters and naval vessels in the waters around the Islands. This does not make sense....on the news this morning, one woman said 'The world is watching'....may I add....and laughing and shaking their heads.

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Please do not let this opportunity for the Islands pass by!

M. Stombaugh

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From:	epbthree@aol.com	
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:33 AM	
То:	testimony	
Subject	: super ferry	

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Jim Doyle [playwrtr@earthlink.net] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:26 AM testimony Jim Doyle Hawaii Superferry

I wish to add my voice to those who are asking you to consider allowing the Superferry to run while the impact statements are being completed. There are cruise ships and cargo ships in our waters allready, and they are vital to the economy. But they benefit mostly the tourists and the large companies that own them. The Superferry will be a great resource for those of us who live here and wish to see family and friends and to visit our neighbor islands. Besides, what about the impact of the thousands of airplanes that spill fumes into our air every day? The Superferry is a cleaner alternative.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: KALAAUKAJ001@hawaii.rr.com Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:33 AM testimony Keep the Super Ferry in Hawaii

The Super Ferry should be kept in Hawaii. The ferry should not be singled out because of invasive species or other environmental issues.

Other ships, both foreign and domestic, have been plying our Hawaiian waters for decades. They did not have to do an EIS!!!. Even today they still don't file and EIS!!!. Not fair for the Super Ferry.

From: jjjf1@aol.com Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:32 AM To: testimony

I support the Superferry. The good that it can do for the islands is far above the hysterical outcries of a vocal misguided and misinformed minority in our state. Ferries such as this operate safely in many areas of the world without damaging marine life or producing any proven incidents of alien species introduction. James S Warson MD

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From:La Rena Saul [LaRena@weildmc.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:32 AMTo:testimonySubject:Ferry Service Testimony

Aloha kakou, greetings to all,

I support the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai`i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. I am a native Hawaiian and I fly among the islands for business and to visit family. Ferry service would allow me to visit my family more frequently and to bring more of my O`ahu family members with me. Currently, our family is only united during very infrequent family reunions and our family ties are not as close as they would be if we were together more often. Ferry service would also allow me to do more business on the other islands and in a larger scope as my overhead would be dramatically reduced.

As a Hawaiian, I have carefully considered the ferry service issue. Having ferry service does not go against my Hawaiian values. I have listened with an open mind to all the arguments by local activists. While I appreciate their passion, I do not agree with their views or their methods for airing them.

Please forward this testimony to the following,

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Mahalo piha, thank you very much,

La Rena K. Saul `Ewa Beach, HI Phone 983-1126

From: Sent: To: Subject: Trudy Blow [trularyb@yahoo.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:06 AM testimony Superferry

We did not attend the meeting on Kauai as we don't like confrontation with neighbors.

Please know that the most likely attendees are the folks who like to shout and rave.

We think that the Superferry would fill a welcome spot in the transportation of Hawaiians. Please consider the silent majority!

Help make the Superferry a reality---

Trudy and Larry Blow, Kauai

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From: TowerEngr@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:32 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry

Dear Legislator's:

Please don't let a few dictate to the many. This ruckus has already spread to the business sector and negatively affecting the image of Hawaii in the world. One foreign client told me last week "We are thinking seriously about withdrawing our development from Hawaii due to the poor example this SuperFerry thing is showing toward business". This client is looking at withdrawing a \$200 million dollar project that would employ around 250-300 people.

Then too there is the leisure side. The island people deserve alternatives. Matson put another barge to work last week and no one objected. Letting people travel inter island is a good thing. What's the difference between flying, renting a car and staying and taking the ferry and using one's own car? The vehicle pollution [on island] is the same, the number of visitors is the same, but the cost is less.

Civil Defense and emergency resources would be enhanced....I honestly see the only winner here as being a few with nothing else to do. If the SuperFerry leaves, then too we must look a the financial losses to the state...who repays that bill and who takes on any liabilities that may surface afterwards. And airfare will go up.

This is not a decision to prolong. APPROVE THE FERRY AND DO NOW WITH MINIMUM DISRUPTION TO A WELL PLANNED PROJECT THAT SHOULD BE VERY PROFITABLE TO THE STATE, THE PEOPLE AND THE FERRY.

Oh yes...I've sent this to all four (4) of my companies and in communications within my employees (some 60 voters) 100% agree that the SuperFerry is a good thing....but then too I keep them working, paying taxes and supporting our way of life here - so they don't have time to protest or attend hearings....

Sincerely,

Jerry Whitehead Voter Citizen Residence Owner Business Owner Disabled Veteran

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From:	William Miller [kahunapadre@yahoo.com]	
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:05 AM	,
To:	testimony	
Subject	t: Superferry	

I am among the less vocal majority on Kauai who SUPPORT the Superferry. I am more concerned about the Cruise Ships and their dumping large volumes of folks on our island than the Superferry, a mode of transportation that many locals will choose. It will be a good thing to have options. Please do what you can to support the Superferry.

William Miller

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	From:	Marva Chun [marvachun@hawaii.rr.com]	
	Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:31 AM	N
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We are a family of four who love outdoor activities such as camping, boating, surfing. We want the SuperFerry to allow us to take our car and gear to the Neighbor Islands. We believe there are reasonable conditions under which the SuperFerry can be allowed to operate while an EIS is done.

Please support this effort, Marva Chun and family

From:Ellen Lubrano [Inlubrano@comcast.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:21 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super ferry

Now is the time for Hawaii to work together and show that we are not adverse to new business. People on the mainland are reading in shock about the protests, how unfriendly some local people are being shown in the media. They read about the ferry, realize what a positive impact it will have for local people and local business and really do not understand such adversity to new ideas. After living in Hawaii for 20 years I thought we had learned the hard way - new business and new ways stimulate the society. This ferry is for the local people and businesses- the airlines and car companies are there for tourists to use - it is time for a way for local people to do business on outer islands and travel to see family as easily as people do on the mainland.

The protestors should be more concerned with the pollution from the inter-island cruise ships, jet skis, airplanes and all the extra rental cars than a ferry boat that was built by people who have a proven record for being friendly to the environment.

Do not give in to corporate pressure from the airlines and rental car companies - think local! Aloha, Ellen Lubrano

From: Sent: To: Subject: William and Beth Richardson [billbeth@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:30 AM testimony hawaii superferry

Stop listening to the activists.

We want the ferry to come to the Big Island.

If you let the activists win on this the damage to our state's reputation will take another blow. It's already bad. Don't make it worse.

Beth A Richardson 76-999 S Manuoku Place Kailua-Kona, HI. 808-989-4424

From: joe [mcshaw@alohabroadband.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:29 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Energy & Enviroment Committee Hearings------Super Ferry

I fully support permitting the Super Ferry to operate during the time an EIS is being prepared.

I feel that once again a small vocal minority is holding the majority of Hawaiian residents captive and that our State Government is not acting in the best interest of a majority of it's citizens. We need this ferry and the impact of the ferry on our enviroment in noise and air pouulttion is much less than that of the airplanes now used to get people and goods from one island to another.

Whom ever the individual is who runs the department that in effect said "You don't need to file an EIS"; that person needs to be run out of the government---Fired----Canned--Ousted.

Joe McDaniel PO 377245 Ocean View, Hawaii 96737

Senate – Sergeant at Arm

Robert Schick 14 Kuapapa Pl Kihei, Hi. 96753

Dear Senators

I would like to show my support for the special laws needed to allow the Super Ferry to start operating. I feel this whole thing has gotten way out of hand and if the Ferry was not going to be allowed it should have been stopped a long time ago. Tax payer's money has been spent and major changes made to allow its operation, if it isn't allowed there will be law suite file because of this. You don't have an easy job because no matter what you do some one will be upset. From my stand point I don't see what all the concern is and some of the very opponents to the Super Ferry once its running will probably use the system. It's such a great opportunity to allow citizens of Hawaii to get one step closer to having what every other state in the nation has, The ability to get in your own vehicle and tour our state. From the stand point of being a business man it will improve completion and maybe help bring down the cost of doing business in this state, this is speaking as a licensed contractor. It is truly wrong what has been done to people trying to improve life in Hawaii.

Please do the right thing Allow it to operate. Thank you Sincerely Robert Schick Electro-Tec

From: ddailly [mailduaine@wavecable.com]Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 5:30 AMTo: testimony

We need the superferry for everybody.

From:yvetteandfrancis@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:29 AMTo:testimonySubject:Support

Aloha! My name is Yvette Yadao. My family and I support the Super Ferry 100%. I don' understand our state. They can never see something good when it is staring them right in their face. The people of Hawaii need to open their eyes up soon because our islands will be dominated by the rich people from the mainland if we continue to turn away businesses that could eventually help our economy. My question is, how is the cruise ships and Matson containers using the harbors on the other islands? Did they perform an environmental impact and if so, why can't that apply to the Super Ferry?

I support the use of the Super Ferry while it conducts the environmental impact whole heartedly and without reservations.

Thank you for your time and I hope you make the right decision.

Sincerely,

Yvette Yadao PO Box 516 Hauula, HI 96717 293-9042

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From: Susan Caires [scaires1@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:29 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Let the Superferry Sail

I agree to let the Superferry Sail while the EIS review is being done. This will give them time to prove that the protestors should not be worried about the things that have been mentioned. The owners are aware of the right choices that need to be taken. We need another way of travel between the islands as there are in many countries, cities, and states. The Ferry system has been proven in many places that it is an easy alternative way of travel. Why shouldn't we be given that opportunity. There must have been concerns in other states, cities and countries and the Ferry system have survived. Let it SAIL and let the demand and the economy decide whether it is worthwhile or not.

Why should we be deprived of another means of travel just to satisfy those that are not really born and raised here. The ones' that are most verbal are those that have migrated to Hawaii in recent times and feel they want the last big deal to happen before and not after they are here, saying that they want things to remain the same. Have all of them return to the place they originally came from and then this place will remain the same.

Mahalo for your time.

I am 54 years old and my ancestors came here in the era of the plantation migration.

Aloha A Native born Kauai

Susan C. Caires scaires1@hawaii.rr.com P.O. Box 777 Kalaheo, Kauai, Hawaii 96741 H 808/332-8604 C 808/651-6152 F 808/332-8910

From: Nakamura, Janet, VBAHONO [janet.nakamura@va.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:29 AM

To: testimony

Subject: In Support of the SuperFerry!

I am confident that the legislature will legally support the Hawaii SuperFerry to provide for an opportunity for all of Hawaii,

I am active with high school marching band and concert. It will allow our students to visit the outer islands experience music with outer island students. It will allow instruments to be transported with ease. It will allow band camps with neighbor island bands.

Please be in favor of the Hawaii SuperFerry!

From: David Robichaux [robichaud001@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:28 AM

To: testimony

Subject: support for the superferry

Please do not make the public pay for State mis management. Please support the superferry's interim operation.

From: Barbara Blanchard [bblanchard@maui.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 6:23 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry

I agree that the environment should be protected and the test should be performed. But do do these people realize what it is going to cost them when we have to pay back the bonds that were taken out to fund this project. Where were these people that are against the Superferry before the program was approved. As far as I am concerened they are a little late. Good Luck Superferry

Barbara Blanchard Pacific Restaurant Supply (808) 242-9717 Ext. 321 (808) 244-9899 Fax

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From:David Dickson [daviddickson69@hotmail.com]Sent:Monday, October 22, 2007 10:16 PMTo:testimonySubject:Support Hawaii Superferry!

Dear House and Senate Representatives,

As a registered voter in the state of Hawaii and a staunch supporter of the Hawaii Superferry I am compelled to voice my opinion that a special session is imperative, and to inform you that an alternative mode of transportation is not all that will be lost in the event this company is forced out of business. I will not support those who deliver the taxpayers of this state an enormous debt that could be avoided by allowing this business to continue operations. My vote will go to those who stand behind the people of our island communities and our belief that this is for the betterment of our lives and the future health of our economy.

Planed development and environmental impact does need to be regulated and to that I agree, but for the people of Hawaii and the workers that have suffered from the recent furloughs there is a need for the state to step up and take action and prevent further damage to our economy and the reputation of our state as a whole. As the world watches this event unfold there is still time to redeem our qualities and make a statement that Hawaii is a progressive and vital business environment. Concerns voiced by those in opposition to the ferries services will pale in comparison to the financial fallout from loosing this company. There is no price that can be placed on preserving our island paradise, your part in protecting our islands sustainability both financially and environmentally is priceless. I vote YES TO HAWAII SUPERFERRY!

Sincerely,

David Dickson

Climb to the top of the charts! Play Star Shuffle: the word scramble challenge with star power. Play Now!

From: Sent: To: Subject: Bird, Jerry A MSG RES USAR [jerry.bird@us.army.mil] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:24 AM testimony Hawaii SuperFerry

Dear Members of the Hawaii State Sentate and Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment

I am emailing you in reference to the Senate hearing to be held on Wednesday, October 24 at 10:30 a.m., Auditorium, State Capitol concerning the Hawaii Superferry. As a new resident to the Great State of Hawaii I was very much looking forward seeing the other islands via the Superferry. I am very disappointed that a minority group of people can take this great opportunity away from the majority that very much support that Hawaii Superferry going into operation. In the event that the Senate fails to support the SuperFerry, I hope they are prepared to make the approprite cuts in the out year budgets to pay for the funding that was lost and already invested for this project. Any thought of passing this cost on as taxes to the majority of Hawaiin residents who support the SuperFerry would be political suicide.

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I fully support the SuperFerry and I vote!

Regards, Jerry Bird Ewa Beach, HI

Oct 23, 2007

Hawaii interisland ferry service

It is my belief that the people of Hawaii and its visitors should have the interisland super ferry service available to them. The state of Hawaii should not allow the outspoken (and often rude) minority to negate what the majority wants. Politicians were elected by the majority in hopes that the right decisions would be made regarding the wishes of the people. Please strive to make the super ferry available for the people once again.

Thanks,

William McConnell Nathan Chun Fax to: Senate Sergeant-At-Arms Office at 586-6659 or 1-800-586-6659 (toll free for neighbor islands)

To Whom It May Concern:

Please take this fax as my support of the SuperFarry. I believe it will have a positive impact on our community, as it will in all of the Islands.

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

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Thank you, Deborah K. Randolp/

Address: 7 - 4-110 1 LONA

October 23, 2007

To Whom It May Concern: C/O Senate Sergeant-At-Arms

I would like to voice my support of the bill that will permit interisland ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. I whole heartedly support the Superferry sailing between the islands.

Mahalo, Bob Ball

Registered Voter 1370 Mokolea Drive Kailua, HI 96734 Fred Larson 107 Kailuana Loop Kailua, Hawaii 96734 808-230-8981

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

I support of the bill that will permit the inter-island Super Ferry to service Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted.

I believe that the Super Ferry is of enormous benefit to the people of Hawaii and that environmental impacts can be minimized or eliminated in the operation of this ship.

It is time that Hawaii recognizes that a small noisy minority of voters should not rule the State to the detriment of the desires of the majority of the people.

Sincerely,

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Frederic R. Larson, Ph.D.



Marya Mann, Ph. D. 75-5919 Alii Drive I-22 ~Kailua Kona, Hl 96740 Phone: 808-345-0050 ~ FAX: 808-217-9687

Testimony on the SuperFerry

Date: October 23, 2007

Aloha, Friends!

A million sounds, encouragements, demands from everywhere call us to our destiny. At least one truth that we in Hawai'i totally share is that we have responsibility to live as Kama'aina,"children of the land."

We are called to give back to the land, to offer ourselves as the voices of the pervasive power of Spirit that has given us so much.

We are given oceans and stellar blue waves for swimming.

We are given sunshine, food and materials for shelter.

We are given friendships and the ongoing hope that the world is basically good and our place in it is assured at every level.

The one thing Spirit asks of us is that we are wise caretakers of our heritage, our environment. The most basic heritage of all is our parents, our brothers and sisters and children, our lovers and friends, the animals, the plants, the mountains, the seas, the planet, and the whole galaxy.

With the SuperFerry, all environmental and health protections, at every level, are being ignored.

The whales would be killed because these boats are blind to them. "Whale strikes" are simply unacceptable.

The 350-foot long, high-speed, multi-million-dollar catamarans would bring a furious infestation of cars, traffic,
October 23, 2007

Senate Sergeant-At-Arms Office 808-586-6659

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

I am submitting this testimony in support of the Senate bill allowing the Superferry to begin operations during the EIS.

The people of Hawaii will benefit from the Hawaii Superferry as an alternative to inter-island airline travel. Other locations, such as the State of Washington and British Columbia, provide inter-island ferry system to their citizens. These alternative transportation systems provide immense benefits without creating the environmental disasters predicted by the outer island minority protestors. We are a single, united State and each citizen of this State should have the right to freely travel between the islands. Similarly, business should be able to operate and provide services based on the representations of this State's government and judicial officials. An inter-island ferry system that has actually been built and implemented is a gift to Hawaii that should not be rejected because of a vocal minority who cannot perceive the benefit of change. Please support legislation which will allow the Superferry to provide the services so desperately needed by this State.

Thank you.

Kathleen M. Douglas, Esq.

808-533-4300

From: Howard Bishop [HBishop@fjhawaii.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:29 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Allowing the Superferry...

I have been a resident of Honolulu for over 28 years. I have owned a small business, and have often found the State of Hawaii

to be a roadblock for businesses to survive and prosper. In my opinion the Superferry will be good for the people of Hawaii in terms of jobs, and certainly another option for interisland travel for our people.

Please don't let politics get in the way of progress Let the Superferry Sail!!!!!!!!

Sincerely,

Howard Bishop

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From:molokaisteve@juno.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:10 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry

Dear Legislators,

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Please allow the ferry to operate in the Hawaiian waters.

Thank you,

Steve Notman

2840 Kalua Koi Road

Maunaloa, HI 96770

From: Anoc, Joann [Joann.Anoc@triadhi.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:37 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Re: Hawaii Superferry

To Whom It May Concern:

I believe that the Hawaii Superferry should be able to run. I believe that most of the people who are against this don't even know what they are fighting for and for whom.

The Hawaii Superferry is a way for people who are wheelchair bound where they can just go aboard and not have to walk up stairs or get lifted up to an aircraft. They have any area for children to keep busy where as an airplane they just sit there.

I don't see the difference between an overseas airplane coming to there island and not have some kind of creature come out from under the wheel well and go undetected for months before being spotted. You luck that they check the very Christmas trees that come from the mainland before you purchase them. I don't see them run on the tarmac and block some foreign aircraft from landing, what is the difference.? The people of the outer islands are brainwashed-they think by Oahu residents coming over with our cars we are going to damage the island come on now it's the same as tourist who rent cars for the same reason to visit where as we just go over to visit family and friends. If a 100 cars go to the outer islands a 100 cars go back.

Just let the Superferry run!!!!!

Joann Anoc Pro Hawaii Superferry

From:Jim [jim@kau-hi.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:28 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii Superferry Senate hearing, 10-24-07.

Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment. Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24.

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

I am in favor of the Hawaii Superferry. It is a much needed form of transportation to these islands.

I grow avocados here in Kau which are hard to sell locally because the area is flooded with them. There is a good market on the other islands but shipping by Young brothers or the airlines is to expensive. The Superferry would help in solving this problem for many small farmers on all islands.

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

Thank you. Jim O'Hara Ocean View, HI

From:	linda Feliciano [ljjmkdd@yahoo.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:40 AM
То:	testimony
Subject:	Hawaii Superferry

I am a 59 year old woman who has been born and raised here on Oahu. My 5 children still live here with their children.

A few years ago when I heard about the superferry I got very excited. My one thought being how great and convenient to take our own car to the outer islands. Not only would I get a beautiful cruise, but once I got to my destination, I would not have to go pick up my luggage and then move on to get a rental car.

The superferry is to me another highway, this time connecting our beautiful Hawaiian islands.

I took a tour of the superferry before its first voyage and was excited setting up my vacation plans with the superferry in mind.

The people of Hawaii need this other option.

I totally support the superferry.

Linda Feliciano Kailua, Oahu resident

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From: Roy Rose [roy@bigskymanagement.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:30 AM

To: testimony; hawaiisuperferry@hawaiisuperferry.com

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Roy Rose and I reside at 61 Cow Trail, Livingston, Montana. My wife and I have traveled to your beautiful state many times to vacation and to enjoy the Hawaiian culture. We have commented many times how nice it would be to be able to get on a ferry and visit another island without having to make airline and car arrangements for the trip. <u>We want it to be on record that Roy and Sandra Rose and our extended family</u> <u>supports the Hawaii Superferry Service and the company responsible for this necessary service</u>. Sandra and I have reservations to use the Hawaii Superferry to go to Kauai and back to Oahu in early December. My daughter and son-in-law and his family (10 members) will be in Maui over thanksgiving.

Roy & Sandra Rose 61 Cow Trail Livingston, Montana 59047 406-222-0005

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From:	Jamsie Herbert [kapio@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:50 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	hawaii superferry

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

My family and I are absolutely FOR the superferry's services in the State of Hawaii. While I watched the dissidents of Kauai on TV, I couldn't help but think that had the Superferry been in service after Hurricane Iniki, those same people would have welcomed the site of the superferry into their harbor as a means of rescue and transport, when the airlines couldn't be there for them.

I agree that they need to complete their environmental impact study, however, I am confused as to why this step was overlooked in the first place? Certainly, you can find some way to keep the superferry in Hawaii while all the squares needed for legal operation are filled. We are engineers in the wastewater business on the Big Island, and are dealing with older structures using illegal or inadequate wastewater disposal methods. The EPA and the Department of Health allow the process of Variance application so that these businesses and homeowners can continue status quo as long as they have an engineer solving their dilemma.

I hope that you see past all the screaming, profanity and ridiculous accusations of the dissidents (all done to get attention). Certainly you are aware that the silent majority would rather not attend such meetings, and a good thing, as riots could ensue as emotions run high.

Please decide in favor of Hawaii Superferry.

Aloha Steve and Jamsie Herbert Heidi Thomas Kailua-Kona, Hawaii October 23, 2007 7:50AM

From:P and C Chun [pchunc@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:08 AMTo:testimonySubject:Another means of transportation

We need another means of transportation. We have ridden this type of transportation between Victoria and Vancouver, B.C. and it affords the comfort of a leisurely means of getting from one place to another and upon arrival, driving around in your own car of which you are familiar with. Especially when our islands are fairly located in close proximity, if it works in B.C., is should work here. Let not a few dictate and take this opportunity from us. Why target only the superferry of which we the locals of our many islands want? There are many more boats or ships arriving there daily on the other islands but are not going through this task of scrutiny? They too carry fresh produce and other eating commodities to each of these islands. This to me will help especially the disabled people who need more assistance in getting around in, also in consideration for this growing aged community of ours. Aloha. That is the motto we should continue to work on kindly among our islands.

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From:Norman Cox [alohabcox@juno.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:00 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

I fully support all efforts to get the Superferry operational.

I do not believe that it will hurt the environment any more than the vessels that currently travel the same routes. If the Hawaii Superferry is not allowed to run then all vessel traffic should be stopped pending the same environmental reviews. This would have an adverse effect on life within these island but selective enforcement of environmental concerns should not be restricted to any one company and vessel.

Norman W. Cox Kaneohe

From: Sent: To: Subject: advancedvisualarts@gmail.com Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:08 AM testimony Super Ferry Support

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

This correspondence is to demonstrate my support and commitment to the passing of the bill that is to be considered today to allow the Hawaii Super Ferry to continue operations while an environmental impact statement is conducted. This service is invaluable to our citizenry and economy and should be allowed to develop.

Sincerely,

Greg Ventura

From:Google Documents [noreply@google.com] on behalf of grog808@gmail.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:09 AMTo:testimony; grog808@gmail.comSubject:Aloha!

Senate Committee: Transportation and International Affairs

Hearing Date: October 24, 2007

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

Aloha!

Ever since my first trip to Seattle and Vancouver island with my parents, I've longed to be able to drive my car on Kauai, or Maui, or any of the other islands. We drive our car onto the ferry, and drove off to see the Butchart Gardens and the other sights in Victoria. Decades later, I made the same trip with my family, with an extra leg to Port Angeles. Still just as enjoyable.

Picking up a rental car on the neighbor islands is ok, but it's just not **your** car! The familiarity or your own vehicle eliminates the learning curve associated with rentals... Where are the lights, the wipers, etc. The Superferry is the embodiment of my desire to visit friends and relative on the other islands. We would pack a little differently, probably bringing more o-miyage on the way over, and more goodies on the return!

Even though I have friends working for the Superferry, I had the desire to keep up with all of the "goings-on" with the Superferry, but not the time. The only things I have heard and seen, are primarily negative, as one would expect. I guess it's human nature to emphasize the negative.

Based on the limited hearsay, third and fourth hand comments, these are my opinions. The big rub is with the EIS. I do believe that the Superferry should have done due diligence beforehand, and obtained guidance via the EIS. However, I have also heard that the State may have committed to "grease the skids" with this regard. Again, this is only what I have heard, but if this is the case, then fault does not lie solely with the Superferry. If this is true, then the Superferry should definitely be allowed to sail, perhaps with a somewhat reduced schedule, until the EIS is complete.

Traffic nightmares: The vehicular capacity of the Superferry is less than that of the various fleets in the Pacific Northwest. There many companies running multiple vessels in that market. I didn't see even the slightest hint of localized gridlock with the vehicular embarking / disembarking process. Granted there is far more area in the Northwest to spread the traffic, but still, not a hint of gridlock...

To me, the saddest thing about all of this, is the message that the "neighbor" islands is sending to the residents of Oahu... "Stay Home". I would expect that the lions share of ridership to the neighbor islands would be Oahu residents. Visitors to Hawaii probably wouldn't want to burn up several precious hours riding on a ferry in their rental car. Maybe I'm bringing a new computer for my dad on Kauai, or a sewing machine to a relative on the Big Island. I'm certainly not going to pack it as baggage on the plane!

Funny too, I haven't heard one peep about those who would travel from the the outer islands to Oahu! Do we just not care? Are we simply welcoming everyone with open arms? Or do we just look at this as a step toward a more connected society, the shrinking of our world?

I hope the Superfierry stays. Riding the ferry system in the Pacific Northwest is fine, but there's no family there... Isn't that what it's all about? Connecting friends and family?

Sincerely, Steve Arakaki

From: L.Gary Bautista [sasscgary@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:02 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry

To: The House and Senate Committees

1) Judiciary Committee

2) Labor Committee

3) Transportation Committee

4) Interntional Affairs Committee

5) Energy committee

6) Environtmental Committee

RE; TESTIMONY ON HEARING FOR SUPERFERRY

Date: Wednesday, October 24, 2007 Time: 11:30 a.m. Place: Auditorium, State Capitol

TO ALL REPRESENTATIVE AND SENATORS:

I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY TO CONTINUE ITS OPERATIONS WHILE AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT IS BEING CONDUCTED.

WE URGENTLY NEED ANOTHER MODE OF TRANSPORTATION THAT WE CAN CHOSE FROM.

Thank You, L.Gary Bautista

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From:	Betsy Stoddard [estoddard@smpent.com]	
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:16 AM	
To:	testimony	
Subject:	Hawaii Superferry	· .
Importance: High		

Please permit the interisland ferry service to operate in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. We need this service for ease of travel, choice of transportation (especially for disabled people), intraisland commerce and emergency services. This bill must pass and be enacted.

Betsy Stoddard

From:Tatiana Montez [tatiana_@hawaiiantel.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:09 AMTo:testimonySubject:i don't understand

I don't understand why there's so much problems.....we can't afford not to have this Super Ferry...It gives families (local families) more opportunities to experience the outer islands with each other. Please do whatever it takes to make this work...never mind the economic losses....lets give more choices for our island people.

Thank you

Tatiana Montez (RA) Office Manager Nakamoto Realty, LLC (808) 688-9878 Bus (808) 688-9704 Fax (808) 721-4495 Cell tati@nakamotorealty.com

From: Sent: To: Subject: Lui-Kwan, Benedict [bluikwan@honolulu.gov] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:09 AM testimony HB HMS 2007 - 5029 10/19/07 re: The Hawaii Superferry

I support the Hawaii Superferry as an alternative to existing modes of transportation between the Hawai'ian Islands. There are numerous advantages the Hawaii Superferry would offer. Other than the obvious advantages of transporting people and their vehicles between the Hawai'ian Islands for personal, business, educational, sporting events for every day affairs; the Hawaii Superferry would be able to transport medical and emergency supplies between the Hawai'ian Islands in the event of natural disasters. Other advantages are too numerous to list here.

I urge you to support HB HMS 2007 5029 10/19/07 Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs, and Energy and Environment Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24 Time and Location: 10:30am, Auditorium, State Capitol Ben Lui-Kwan

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From:bizberan@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:09 AMTo:testimonySubject:superferry

We visit both Maui and Oahu as visitors several times each year. We are looking forward to using the superferry as our main means of interisland transportation...very fun and cost effective for us...please continue your efforts to see that the superferry has direct and convenient routes between the islands...thank you. Betty and Bill Beran Scottsdale, Arizona

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From:tslucas1517@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:08 AMTo:testimonySubject:The Super Ferry

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I support the super ferry for the convenience and benefits it will bring to the people of this state. The polls show that an overwhelming majority of your constituents support the super ferry. I hope you will support our wishes and allow the ferry to operate while the environmental impact studies are completed.

Sincerely,

Wilma Lucas

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From:Marty Kimball [MartyKimball@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:08 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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October 23, 2007 9:03 am

Regarding SuperFerry,

Please don't hold our State hostage to the small group of individuals who are against everything and anything. What kind of an example are we lf the State can't honor its commitments ?

Let the Ferry run and do the EIS. Then decide, but give it a chance.

Marty Kimball

From: Mary J Park [marypark@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:08 AM

To: testimony

Subject: In Support of Super Ferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

Dear Senate Committees:

I am writing to voice my support for allowing the Super Ferry to conduct its business while an environmental impact study is being conducted.

I live in Kealakekua on the Big Island and I am looking forward to another means of transportation to other islands besides flying. The Super Ferry will

allow families to reunite, school children to learn through field trips to other islands, and allow business to be conducted more efficiently.

Please allow the Super ferry to run while Environmental Impact studies are being conducted. This will allow the people who are so against the Super Ferry to realize that no whales were injured and that all their fears were for nothing, just fear. Give it a try, and make adjustments as we go along.

Mahalo for your efforts, Mary Park 81-906 Kee Kee St. Kealakekua, HI 96750

Mary Park

marypark@hawaii.rr.com

Hawaii Vacation Rental: http://www.ophale.com

From:hitamara@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:08 AMTo:testimonySubject:superferry

Please allow the superferry to run during the environmental study. I don't see the difference in the cruise ships and matson that don't seem to be of concern. Traffic is a nightmare regardless. Thank you,

Tamara Harootian

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From:Tracylee Bayne [tbayne@asbhawaii.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:08 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry Supporter

I was born and raised in Hawaii and have lived here all my life (40+ years) living on Oahu and Maui. I am in support of the Superferry because it's another mode of transportation I can choose to use and look forward to driving my own car and bringing along what I need when visiting family and friends on the neighbor islands.

It is so unjust to allow any group of people to restrict access to one of our islands, even more unjust when most of these individuals where not even born in Hawaii. Of course we all want to keep Hawaii beautiful and pristine though these groups do not own the islands. I think it's ridiculous that this stalling of allowing the Superferry to operate has even gotten this far. The reasoning behind these so called "environmentalists" is ridiculous and I'm flabbergasted that our government elected officials entertains their wishes.

I am making sure I do not vote for any elected official who does not support the Superferry.

Mahalo!

Tracy Bayne

From: Darren Akana [darren.akana@envisionns.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:43 AM

To: testimony

Subject: WE NEED THE SUPER FERRY!!!!!!!!

My name is Darren K Akana we need the SUPER FERRY lets not lose this great opportunity! We need to band together and look @ the positive side of the

SUPER FERRY! Lets proceed, and still do this environmental study! And all! BUT don't stop it from happening! Lets move forward!!

Im for the SUPER FERRY!!

Aloha Darren K Akana 808-271-6299

From:Jeannette Haynes [tutu_j@sbcglobal.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:36 AMTo:testimonySubject:bill re Superferry

We are not residents of Hawaii and maybe our input doesn't count. However, we have spent a lot of time in Hawaii over the years, mostly in Maui, but often visit the other islands. We have often wondered why there wasn't a ferry and can see no reason why it shouldn't be allowed to operate. How can it possibly cause as much damage to the environment as the overbuilding that has been permitted??? PLEASE ALLOW THE FERRY TO OPERATE.

Glacier

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From: Peter Faulkner [peter.faulkner@desertisleinc.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:50 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Senate Sergeant-At-Arms Office - Superferry

Superferry,

I support a ferry service between the island. I live in Kailua & a voter. My support is clearly in favor to allow the ferry service to operate while conducting an assessment.

We already ship vehicles to the neighbor islands on Young Bros without problems, also cruise ships dock at all Hawaiian ports with loads of passengers. Its seems unfair not to allow a ferry service to operate while YB's & cruise ship deliver the same service.

Pete Faulkner

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From: Uewart@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:42 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Superferry Testimony for Judiciary & Labor, Transportion & IA, Energy & Environ.

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

I am strongly in support of the Superferry, as are the majority of State residents! We need the Superferry as an alternative inter-island transportation system to foster more business between the islands. Right now, it is cost prohibitive for lots of small businesses to transport their products and equipment inter-island in a timely fashion.

The Legislature should convene a special session to enact a law that would allow the Superferry to operate while the environmental impact studies are being conducted. The law should not be so restrictive as to make the Superferry operation infeasible! The Superferry should not be held to a higher standard than other marine vessels including cruise ships, Young Bros. barge and recreational boating is being held! Remember, this law is meant to allow the Superferry to operate while the environmental studies are being done, once they are concluded, we'll know if the mitigation measures that the Superferry already has proposed are sufficient. If not, the studies will identify what other measures may be needed.

Sincerely,

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From:Bryan Aquino [ox576447@yahoo.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:16 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry Testimony

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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To whom this may concern,

I am part of the silent majority who is in favor of allowing the Superferry to operate amongst the Hawaiian Islands. I am part of the silent majority who has a job to tend to, bills to pay and mouths to feed. I am part of the silent majority who opposes the protesters stance and did not have time to physically show support for the Supperferry due to my other commitments that take precedence which ultimately effect my living conditions.

I thought that in America we stand for freedom and equality in practically all aspects in our way of life. Especially for the generosity of the outside investors to the State of Hawaii willing to invest their time in a service that would ulitmately be for the better good. This is such a service that will better our way of life for the people of our beautiful State.

It's in black and white what we (the Silent Majority) feel is the right decision concerning the Supperferry. The question is will this state allow such an unequal decision to stand? I am optimistic that the "Silent Majority's" voices will be heard. And furthermore I am postive that Democracy will prevail.

Bryan A. E. Aquino 91-1663 Orrick St Ewa Beach Hawaii

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Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:41 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Hawaii Superferry

Enough is enough! Majority of the people of the State of Hawaii wants the Super ferry to operate. I think this is a good idea for sales people like me because I don't have to carry heavy loads anymore. Also, traffic is another issue, but try to think about it. If we are going to the other islands we are renting cars anyway, so what is the point.

These people that are against have nothing to but to oppose things that makes the State of Hawaii improve. This is also for the benefit of many people (local & tourist).

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From: Gabrielle Savage [savagerealtyhawaii@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:15 AM

To: testimony

We need the interisland service the Superferry will provide. The environmentalists are mis-using the laws to stop legitimate businesses from succeeding.

This EA is just a ruse. I was just visiting Maui this weekend and noticed the GIGANTIC cruise ship in there with all its "invasive species" latched on to the bottom, no doubt, with all the tourists with their bugs and invasive species stuff with them happily disembarking. Maui and Kauai have seem to survive. I doubt that they are in any danger in the first place.

Anyway, the Superferry has met all the extensive requirements to protect our whales and other wildlife and not to adversely affect the islands.

The Superferry will have far less an environmental impact on the islands than these cruise ships and shipping vessels have, and they were not required to have an EA...Actually, the Superferry is the only one that has been required to have this done.

This is an outrage. Let the Superferry start!!!

Gabrielle L. Savage, GRI (R) Savage Realty 1363 Auwaiku St, Kailua, HI 96734 Office: 808-261-7120 Fax: 808-2302162 www.savagereatlyhawaii.com ...e ho 'ohoaloha ana, ho 'okahi hale pakahi...

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Good morning

I endorse the Superferry 100% for the following reasons:

1. I can drive to visit families on the outer islands (no matter which Island). No one will have to take me to the airport, and/or, I won't have to leave my car there;

2. I won't have to retrieve my baggage when I reach my destination. I save myself the hassle at check-in and after reaching my destination;

3. The amount of baggage is not limited by the cost;

4. No rental car needed. No time wasted waiting for the commuter to pick up a car; no time wasted returning a rental;

5. I would enjoy the view while relaxing;

6. No rental car - no problem ... I'll have my car to travel and visit or sight-see wherever or whenever I please.

There are so many more reasons, however, I have stated the most important.

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From:Mark Redeker [midpac@clearwire.net]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:43 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

I am a voter on Maui and I am in support of the superferry. Please consider my vote. Thank you Roberta Redeker

From:	Scott MacGowan [scottm@cbpacific.com]
Sent:	Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:42 AM
To:	testimony
Subject:	In Support of the Super Ferry

Aloha Legislators:

I'm writing in support of HB HMS 2007-5029 allowing Hawaii's new Super Ferry to operate while conducting an EIS. The reality of the situation is that the state allowed the Super Ferry to operate without an EIS and while the intelligence of this decision can be debated, the Super Ferry did NOTHING wrong in beginning operations here in the Hawaiian waters. They should NOT be penalized for what some believe was a mistake on the part of the state. Do NOT deny this incredible opportunity for transportation and commerce from the citizens of the state of Hawaii!

Mahalo nui loa,



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From:BClide@aol.comSent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:38 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry

Please note my support for the Superferry and my desire to see service begin while the EIR is being conducted. I believe that the Superferry represents an economic opportunity for all Hawaiians. The Superferry is not unlike the freeway systems in mainland states that facilitate the transportation of goods and services to the broad population. It can only improve our economy.

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From:Marie Winner [winnerm001@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:42 AMTo:testimonySubject:Superferry

Please get on with it and do what the people of Hawaii want and need. Do not concede to the minority and do what you were elected to do and keep the Superferry in Hawaii NOW! Marie E. Winner Honolulu, HI

From:Patrick Bullard [Patrick@bullardandblack.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:41 AM

To: testimony

Subject: superferry testimony

testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

I am writing as a concerned citizen, tax payer and voter to say that I am in 100 support of the Hawaii Superferry to continue to sail until the EIS is completed. To disallow the Ferry to sail at this point is bad for our State, bad for business and sends the wrong message. Could this have been done better – yes -= but at this point – this company came into Hawaii with good intentions and were told they could do business here. Let's make sure they can – and we can still get the EIS done. The threat of invasive species only coming thru on the Superferry and not on Young Brothers or Horizon etc. is not fair – to single out one company is just wrong. Please let them sail. Aloha.

Patrick Bullard 808 722-5272 1349 Hoakoa Pl Hon. HI 96821
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Dear Legislator's

I am a very avid Superferry supporter and my reason why are this. The Superferry is an excellent means of transportation for us because I have family members who are afraid to fly. I want to take them to the other islands but they will not take a 20 minute flight to do so. This Superferry would be my families savior, and when we heard about it we were ecstatic. But now to hear that it may not come to be is absolutely heartbreaking to us. I ask that you please allow the Superferry to set sail so my family can as well.

Sincerely, Derrick Franklin Superferry Supporter

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From: Jennifer Amorin [amozgirl@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:12 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Super Ferry testimony

Super Ferry needs to be here in Hawaii to give everyone a chance for alternate ways to travel to the interislands who may have fear of flying. This will give the opportunity for people have more trravel options.

Thank you.

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From:Christine Takahata [Christine.Takahata@DTAG.Com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:22 AMTo:testimonySubject:Hawaii SuperFerry

The Hawaii Superferry has a right to operate after it has done all the State has required it to do. The majority of people in our State want and need the additional choice of transportation in this our "Island" community. Way too much attention is given by the media to a small, loud, unruly group of attention seekers. They've gotten their minute of notoriety – can we move on? Thank you for your consideration.

Chris Takahata Hawaii Citizen for the Superferry

From: Sent: To: Subject: ahemenwa@byuh.edu Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:36 AM testimony Hawaii Superferry

I would like to express my opinion about the Hawaiian Superferry. It is the only way that people of our state can use their own cars to go from Island to Island to keep connected. Don't let the water divide us more than it already does. Mahalo, \

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From: Nick Sokach [keauhouestates@hawaiiantel.net]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:41 AM

To: testimony

Subject: From Nick Sokach

To whom it may concern,

I have been on the Big Island for over 18 years. Have raised and am raising my family here. My wife and I have never once been to Maui neither have any of my children. When I heard about the Super Ferry I thought what a great way to visit such a beautiful Island and see friends and family I know that live there. I do understand the locals of Maui and their concerns for the reef and waters, these are concerns I have too and they should and even are being addressed, but I also think that it's a bit strange that we never heard of any of these complaints and extreme calls to regulate and even stop the Ferry, until it was announce that the Ferry was going to be launch. For months and even years prior to the weeks and days of the launch there was no voice of activists that we could tell here. And believe me we have a liberal press here with the West Hawaii Today and we would have heard it. I said locals but I don't know what percentage of the all the locals feel they want to stop the Ferry. From the polls I have seen the percentage of protestors is small. So, the day of the Ferry's launch to Maui there is a small group of loud and angry protestors yelling and chanting and paddling out and splashing it away. Well I don't personally know any of the many Super Ferry employees that had planned their whole lives around working for this great connector of people between Islands, but I would think they would have the bigger voice in protest against such inconsiderate folks that don't think it wrong at all that these peoples lives were turned upside down due to their few spontaneous, irrational and over emotional agendas. Will these people provide new employment for these now laid-off employees and compensate for the hardship their families have been put through? Let me guess. I guess not.

And how about all the businesses that have counted on the revenue of the Ferry and have been connected to the Ferry's operation? I would think this number of people and businesses is compounded as far as the losses and trouble this has caused them.

I suppose, all of us should just shutter in fear at these few activists and their ongoing environmental issues; that seem to use their Hawaiian appearance to act as representatives for the whole Hawaii residential voice. Well, not this Kama'aina.

Go Super Ferry!

Nick Sokach Big Island Resident

From: Sent: To: Subject: Melvin Minakami [minakamim001@hawaii.rr.com] Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:41 AM testimony In Support of the Superferry

Honorable Senators and Representatives, allow me to testify in support of Superferry with the following:

Opponents of the Superferry cite several reasons why it should not operate: first, the spread of invasive species; second, protection of the humpback whales; third, the impact of visitors on the Outer Islands; and finally the removal of natural resources from the Outer Islands by Oahu visitors. By citing these reasons, opponents of Superferry say special provisions in the law need to be imposed on the operation for the good of Outer Islanders. None of these provisions would be imposed on existing carriers; i.e., Young Brothers barge operations, interisland airlines, and container carriers.

Discussing each item separately, let me first address the *spread of invasive species*. Worldwide, this is a problem for all nations not to mention the Outer Islands. Nationally, our Federal government is currently considering legislation in the prevention in transport of invasive species via ballast water in freighters. Opponents want unique provisions established for the Superferry operation and yet ignore other carriers. This is discriminatory and extremely prejudiced against the Superferry. While not to demean the problem, to cite Superferry as the sole means of possible transport of invasive species while ignoring the transport by other carriers is a specious argument. What checks or inspections would be required of airline passengers, both interisland, national and international, prior to embarking on their flights? What checks or inspections would be required of Young Brothers barge cargo prior to being loaded and shipped to the Outer Islands? What checks or inspections would be required of cargo containers prior to their shipment when they are being packed prior to being shipped to the Outer Islands? NONE! Currently, the largest invasive species problem is the coqui frog on the Big Island. Smaller colonies have been established on Oahu. Speculation is that the frog arrived in agricultural products imported by Big Islanders. How about the "gorilla ogo" which has established itself on various islands. This seaweed was introduced to study its aquaculture potential. Both these environmental disasters occurred prior to Superferry being conceptualized for Hawaii..

Second, the *protection of humpback whales* is another contrived argument. Although, "whale experts" have testified about the potential problem citing speed as their main concern, the argument is speculative at best. No specific examples of jet-driven ships striking whales were given. Pictures showing propeller strikes of whales were committed by propeller driven boats, not ships. For your information, size difference is the determining factor between boats and ships. Superferry is a ship. Speed alone is not the sole factor in whale strikes, contrary to "expert" testimony. To impose a speed limit on Superferry is laughable.

What about Matson and Horizon container ships and even the Young Brothers tug traveling in our Hawaiian waters? They all travel faster than the contemplated speeds speculated to cause whale strikes. Those vessels all have the deadly propellers. Superferry has no propellers.

Third, the *impact of Superferry passengers on the Outer Islands* presupposes that the direction would only be one way and that Superferry passengers possess unique and harmful qualities. Visiting the Outer Islands would not continually be a one way process. Passengers would go and return, albeit not the same day, but while the Outer Islands would receive additional people, so would Oahu. Oahu would have to accommodate Outer Island residents. Yes, Outer Islander would also be

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using Superferry in their travel to Oahu. Superferry passengers bringing their cars to the Outer Islands would also return with their cars on their return to Oahu. Unlike the car rental businesses where those businesses import new cars to the State, use them on the Outer Islands and at the end of their economic life, dispose of the cars at Oahu auctions, further impacting Oahu's traffic problem. Years ago, in a newspaper article, I read that there were more motor vehicles registered on Kauai than there were people! All that without Superferry. Crowding of beaches and surf spots infers ownership of those resources by the Outer Islanders. No such ownership exists and never will. The beaches and surf spots are for the enjoyment by everyone, not just Maui or Kauai residents. The WORLD is entitled to such enjoyment, whether they arrived by Superferry or not!

Finally, the *removal of natural resources from the Outer Islands* by Oahu residents appears to be a philosophical matter. During the first Superferry voyage, apparently several Oahu residents took that opportunity to remove rocks from lao stream but were stymied on their return to Oahu by the suspension of service. Much ado about nothing.

Rocks rolling down lao stream resulting from heavy rains is a well known fact and periodically the rocks are removed and dumped somewhere else on Maui by the government. Those Oahu resident merely lessened Maui's workload. Outer Island residents cite the potential removal of opihi and other flora and fauna from "their" islands. The last time I checked, the ownership by Outer Islanders was limited to their own Real Property, not beyond those boundaries and certainly not including natural resources.

They can't even claim mineral rights on the Real Property. That right belongs to the State. Collectively, all the residents of this state "own" the natural resources and are entitled to its use. Gathering opihi for resale by the gallons by Outer Islanders is hypocritical. Is raping natural resources the sole privilege of that island's residents?

Certainly, abusing the natural resources will occur by some people, but to prejudge all Oahu residents is absolutely wrong, wrong, wrong! Even on the Outer Islands, opihi is not as easily found as it was fifty years ago. Conservation, not the Superferry should be the focus of Outer Islanders in preserving natural resources.

Restricting Superferry with discrimmanatory requirements is unconstitutional. It is flat out wrong. Superferry should be allowed the same flexibility as any other interisland carrier. Any restrictions imposed on Superferry should be imposed on all waterborne carriers.

Inspections and checks of Superferry passengers should be performed on all passenger carriers, even sportfishing boats traveling interisland.

*Allow Superferry to operate immediately by passing the necessary legislation. *In deference to the Maui judge, Superferry is NOT new technology.

Thank you, Melvin T. Minakami 44-341 Kaneohe Bay Drive Kaneohe, HI 96744

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From: Susan, Jim, & Rhiannon Hernandez [sjrhernandez@hawaiiantel.net]Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:14 AM

To: testimony

Subject: no special treatment for ferry

Aloha

I firstly dispute the contention that a ferry is wanted or needed by a majority of Hawaii's population.

I further contend that the majority of the population of the neighbor islands, especially Maui and Kauai, DO NOT want this ferry, and though outnumbered by the residents of Oahu, we should not be forced to accept this ferry.

That aside, I point to your own Part III, section 8 and onward, and tell you that the correct and lofty goals stated there are there for a reason:

TO ADDRESS <u>BEFOREHAND</u> THE NECESSARY CONCERNS ABOUT THE FERRY'S EFFECT ON OUR ISLANDS' ENVIRONMENT, CULTURE AND PEOPLE.

BEFORE. NOT AFTER OR DURING.

To pass this special legislation and bypass the protections of an EIS allowing the ferry to operate anyway is akin to allowing a business to sell lighted sticks of dynamite to children first while they promise to study the safety issues involved as they go. The results of the study might come back just a little too late to do any good.

James E. Hernandez Makawao, Hi

From: MauiMangoRose@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:19 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Let the Superferry start up!

Dear Sirs/Ladies I do not have time to go to meetings. Most of us on Maui, work on Mondays at 3:00 pm, and can't attend the hearings you have set up, **except** for those who have a mission to stop the Ferry! I feel the Ferry will do less damage to the ocean than the whale watch people do! Most Sincerely Katherine L. Scheper 1587 Alaniu PI. Kihei Hi 96753

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From:Bro [bro5678@hawaii.tr.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:33 AMTo:testimonySubject:Super Ferry

State Senate Legislation Hearing ~

Please permit inter-island ferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. All of us on each

Hawaiian island could benefit from the use of an inter-island ferry while still protecting the environment and marine life. Do what the majority of Hawaii asks of you.

Sincerely, Peter Shifres Big Island, Hawaii

From: Cindi Punihaole [cpunihaole@kohalacenter.org]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:13 AM

To: testimony

Subject: Legislature's Public Access Room - Testimony Against bill for the Superferry

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

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

I am in opposition to the bill that will permit the interisland superferry service in Hawai'i while an environmental impact statement is being conducted. Our legislature should adhere by the environmental laws that have been established and not circumvent them for a special interest. In the long run, I believe that the guidelines established by an EIS will define the roles and responsibilities for the business and will protect our 'aina, our people and our future generations. It is the *pono* way.

It is very simple:

Treat us with respect, and we will show you the same. Obey our laws, and you're welcome to do business here.

Cynthia Punihaole Kennedy 73-4310 Mamalahoa Hwy Kailua Kona, HI 96740 808 895-1010

From:John Allen [coronado25@msn.com]Sent:Tuesday, October 23, 2007 8:20 AMTo:testimonySubject:Inter-Island Superferry

I am a Hawaii native who now resides in Southern California. I see nothing but positives coming from the deployment of the Superferry as a means of Inter-Island travel. A most comfortable and natural way to see the beauty and splendor of the islands. I intend to move back to Hawaii soon and look forward to utilizing the Superferry.

I also feel the airlines are spearheading much of this protest. I see the Superferry gaining popularity which would cause the air carriers to have to lower their fares!

Let's see the Hawaiian Islands as the firdt Polynesians did. FROM THE OCEAN as it was intended. If some feel this endangers sea life, then let's have the "knee-jerk" reaction and stop all ocean travel!!

John "Jay" Allen Newport Beach, CA

Returning Home Soon!

From: wai [wai.lee@conferencehub.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 7:45 AM

To: testimony

Subject: I support the Hawaii Super Ferry

Dear Legislators,

Please rises above the party politics and drop the nit pick conditions, give us a Ferry system for our future.

Wai Y. Lee Conferencehub Corp. wai.lee@conferencehub.com Office: (808)384-6928

RE: Inter-island ferry service

To: The COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR, the COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, and the COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Regarding: TESTIMONY REGARDING THE PROPOSED SUPERFERRY BILL <u>NOTICE OF</u> <u>INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING</u> <u>DATE: Tuesday, October 23, 2007</u> <u>TIME: 3:00 p.m.</u> <u>PLACE: Kealakehe High School Cafeteria</u> <u>74-5000 Puohulihuli Street</u> Kailua-Kona, HI

I regret not being able to attend tuesdays meeting in Kailua-Kona in person. I am however very grateful for the opportunity to submit my testimony in writing over the internet. Thank you.

I believe that in light of all the facts it would be to everyones best interest to not allow the superferry to sail until a complete eis is done. The potential impacts of the spread of invasive species across the island chain alone is reason enough to take a conservative stand in regards to this matter. In light of the States historic failures with regards to the control of invasive species it is my fear that even with special ,provisions in the current bill regarding their control, the effect on the environment could be significant. Other issues such as the effect on the whales and the increased demands on the infrastructure of the outer islands should also be allowed a greater amount of time for discussion before the ferry is allowed to sail.

I also believe, very strongly, with the courts in that our government failed us when they waived the requirement for an environmental review. And further, that the Legislature is wrong in holding a special session in order to serve the interest of a private business. It is my opinion that it is your job to write and up-hold the laws of Hawaii. And, in holding a special session for the purpose of over-writing the law in this matter you are failing in your responsibilities to the citizens you represent. The Lingle administration broke the law when they waived the requirement for an environmental review. It does not make sense to me that you would join in this obvious abuse of power, especially over an issue that could have such far reaching negative impacts state wide.

Thank you for this opportunity to share my thoughts

Dorian Weisel 19-4648 Amaumau rd Volcano, Hawaii 96785

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Senate Sergeant-At-Arms Office Attn'

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

Dear Committee Members:

Topic: Support the Superferry Now, Support Your Local Artists

Thank you for your time and please take into consideration how supporting the Superferry now, supports your local art communities. Currently it is very difficult and expensive for local artists to transport art, attend and participate in art festivals and art related events on neighboring Islands. With the introduction of the Superferry many local artists will be able to share their works at these events. There are several other benefits to consider:

Benefits

- <u>Supports New Artists</u>- Helps new artists gain greater exposure by being able to participate in Art Festivals and Events on neighbor islands and being able to afford to do so.
- 2. Supports Established Artists-Allows for more cost effective transportation of original art to galleries and festivals on other Islands. Helps reduce shipping damage.
- Networking- Expanding participation at events helps artists build networks with other artists within their craft, who may not have been able to do so without the Superferry service.
- 4. Diversity- Allows for a greater diversity of local art at festivals and events.
- 5. Tourism
 - a. Gives Tourists the option to see the art work from multiple islands even though they may only visit one island.
 - b. Ferry service could help increase attendance at these festivals and events, the visitor(s) may not know about the event until they arrived on the island, a day trip on the Superferry could be an inviting option as opposed to getting on another flight.

Why Now?

- 1. <u>Missed Events</u> There are several events in the upcoming months that would be otherwise missed without the Superferry. The Artist could wait over a year for another opportunity.
- 2. <u>Planning</u> Several festivals require advance judging and registration, knowing the Superferry will be available will allow for proper planning.

Why should Superferry be allowed to run during the EIS interim?

- <u>Responsible Passage</u>. The articles and news reports I have seen lead me to believe that Superferry is taking environmental precautions in the interim.
- Not Fair to Discriminate- There have been and are currently vessels on these water ways that travel as fast as the Superferry. There are cruise lines and shipping barges that have been taking these routes for years. It is not right to hold one group to a completely different standard than the others.
- Local Jobs Local responsible people have been hired and trained by the Superferry organization. What about the impact to them and their families?

Please take this heartfelt and sincere statement into deep consideration, for myself and the other Artists of these Islands.

Von Thomas DeYoung,

DeYoung Fine Art. Honolulu 808-489-9774

Senate Sergeant-At-Arms Office YES Attn:

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- 4. <u>Diversity</u>- Allows for a greater diversity of local art at festivals and events.
- 5. <u>Tourism</u>
 - a. Gives Tourists the option to see the art work from multiple islands even though they may only visit one island.
 - b. Ferry service could help increase attendance at these festivals and events, the visitor(s) may not know about the event until they arrived on the island, a day trip on the Superferry could be an inviting option as opposed to getting on another flight.

Why Now?

- 1. <u>Missed Events</u> There are several events in the upcoming months that would be otherwise missed without the Superferry. The Artist could wait over a year for another opportunity.
- <u>Planning</u> Several festivals require advance judging and registration, knowing the Superferry will be available will allow for proper planning.

Why should Superferry be allowed to run during the EIS interim?

- 1. <u>Responsible Passage-</u> The articles and news reports I have seen lead me to believe that Superferry *is* taking environmental precautions in the interim.
- 2. <u>Not Fair to Discriminate</u>. There have been and are currently vessels on these water ways that travel as fast as the Superferry. There are cruise lines and shipping barges that have been taking these routes for years. It is not right to hold one group to a completely different standard than the others.
- 3. Local Jobs Local responsible people have been hired and trained by the Superferry organization. What about the impact to them and their families?

Please take this heartfelt and sincere statement into deep consideration, for myself and the Artists of

Islands eYoung DeYoung Fine Art. 808-489-9774

Honolulu

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Senate Committees: Judiciary and Labor, Transportation and International Affairs.

and Energy and Environment

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 24

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

I have lived here for 20 years and I want to spend my vacation money here in

Hawaii.

The Superferry will allow me to really enjoy all of this beautiful state which is

my home that I love.

The airlines won't let me carry all my beach gear, surf boards, beach chairs,

etc. to the other islands without paying big extra charges.

This is something we have needed for a long time. Every other island nation in

the world has ferry services.

The Superferry is a long time dream coming true for me and my family.

I want to use the Superferry for my vacations; I want to take my car with my

boogie-boards, mask, snorkel, fins and cooler to Maui, Kauai and Big Island.

Please support the Superferry. !!!! de Butte

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OF THE NATION - GET THIS SUPERFERRY IN OPERATION

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Attn: Senate Sergeant A Highway is what the Hawaii Superferry would ho liko. Opening up many **Opportunities** to the Hawaiian Families and the **Tourist Industry** I support it 100%

& Robert Males

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