From:	Wolfgang Kaiser [wkaiser@esri.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:58 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

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

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Wolfgang Kaiser, residing in Kalaheo - Kauai, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Transportation infrastructure is one of the most important ingredients for a healthy and strong economy. The healthiest economies thrive where competition exists. I would love the opportunity to visit Oahu with my truck to transport goods to Kauai that are otherwise grossly overpriced because the current ways of transporting goods from Oahu to Kauai are monopolized by a few non-competitive companies.

Mahalo for your consideration,

Wolfgang Kaiser

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From:	Janis Meline [Janis.Meline@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:59 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Hawaii SuperFerry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Janis Meline* and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry. I feel this can only enhance small businesses on all the Islands. It gives the average citizen an alternate method of transportation to and from all the Islands. Please do something that is forward thinking for the State of Hawaii and get our SuperFerry up and running as soon as possible.

Janis Meline

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Julianne Puzon [hawaiijourneys@msn.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:58 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony SB1 SD1 Relating to Transportation

October 29, 2007

State Capitol Auditorium 1:30 P.M.

House of Representatives

Hawaii State Legislature

Subj: SB1 SD1 Relating to Transportation

To the Honorable Joseph Souki, Chairman, and Members of the House Committee on

Transportation; and

To the Honorable Marcus Oshiro, Chairman, and Members of the House Committee on

Finance:

I ask you to support a bill that will allow the Superferry to operate as soon as possible and with the least number of restrictions that may otherwise hamper its ability to operate in our Hawaiian waters. I agree with both the House and Senate versions passed last week which do not require mandatory vehicle cleaning and reduced speed limits.

Many of us in Hawaii appreciate the fast response, courage and action by the Legislature to undertake this divisive issue and resolve this complex problem. I respectfully request that you continue your support of the Superferry by passing this bill with any amendments out of committee to the full House of Representatives. Thank you very much. 1830 Wilikina Drive

Wahiawa HI

621-3861

From:	Kim &/or Steve [lonomullen@earthlink.net]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:34 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	SUPPORT SUPERFERRY

ALoha Legislators, Please vote to support the SuperFerry which is the most environmentally sound and most logical way to venture from island to island. As one of the lucky few to be on the SuperFerry the only time it docked in Kauai, I can testify that it is a comfortable and completely wonderful way to travel. Though I donate to environmental causes and have been a protester for various issues, I find it outrageous that this multi-million dollar opportunity for a majority of island residents opportunities ranging from no-hassle travel, job possibilities, small businesses advantages - has been hi-jacked by self-centered interests. To use - and not abuse - our beautiful natural resources to FINALLY have a wonderful Ferry system is such an obvious positive endeavor that it continues to baffle my mind that the controversy carries on. SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY, Support Island Residents. Mahalo, Kim Osborn Mullen

From:	Steven Prom, DC [steven@docprom.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:19 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Hawaii Super Ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Dr. Steven and I strongly OPPOSE Hawaii Superferry.

An environmental impact study is strongly needed. Remember that the economy of Hawaii depends on its environment. Let's make sure the Superferry won't damage the Environment and the Economy of Hawaii. Be careful before we open Pandora's box.

-Steven Prom, DC

From: Sent: To: Subject: Soares, Jeannette M CIV FISC, [jeannette.soares@navy.mil] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:46 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony I AM FOR THE SUPERFERRY

HELLO,

MY NAME IS JEANNETTE M. SOARES AND I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE SUPERFERRY BECAUSE I THINK WE NEED ANOTHER OPTION OF TRANSPORTATION WITHIN THE ISLANDS VICE FLYING ON AN AIRPLANE. I AM FOR THIS SUPERFERRY AND WOULD DEFINITELY LIKE TO GET A CHANCE TO DO THIS WHENEVER EVERYONE QUITS BICKERING SO I CAN PLACE MY RESERVATION.

MAHALO, JEANNETTE

From:	Keith Mikami [acd-llc@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:46 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	I Support Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Keith Mikami and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Hawaii Superferry provides a greatly needed option to travel between the islands and should be allowed to operate. It makes no sense that this much needed service is being held to a standard that all other related businesses (Barge services, cruise lines, air travel, etc....) are not.

Up until this point, all opposition has been by a very small group and does not represent how the people of this state really feel. There have already been many island polls that will support this statement. I again cannot understand why so much time and resources (our taxpayers money) are being wasted to satisfy the needs of such a small minority.

I strongly believe if the Hawaii Superferry is not allowed to do business here, and they end up leaving, YOU will be slamming the door on the future growth & betterment of our island state.

Keith Mikami 94-1179 Noheaiki Street Waipahu, HI 96797

Ph: 808-542-2146

From: Sent: To: Subject: Smlmoney@aol.com Monday, October 29, 2007 11:47 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony SUPER FERRY

My name is *Sandra Moneymaker* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. I believe the SUPER FERRY will benefit all islands served. It is not only Oahuans who will use the service. It would truly be a shame if the state does not demonstrate some forward thinking and ensure the operation of the SUPER FERRY during the EIS and beyond. An alternative mode of inter-island travel is long overdue. The majority of residents are in favor of the service. The majority is who elected you and election time is not far off!

Please support the SUPER FERRY service.

# Sandy Moneymaker 700 Richards St Honolulu, Hi 96813

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From:	chris sasville [billiesbeautysupply@sbcglobal.net]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:41 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Christopher Allen Sasville and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I believe the ferry would encourange people to visit more in that they could easily see all the different islands without having to make seperate accomodations for each venue and the fact that they can take their auto makes it very appealing for day trips and excursions. I believe it would be a great asset.

Christopher Allen Sasville 940 S. Kihei Rd. B309

Kihei, HI 96753

From:	Edward Slavish [Ed@edslavish.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 10:58 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Super Ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Edward M. Slavish and my wife Susan M. Slavish* and we strongly support Hawaii Superferry. The Environmental Assessment will be much more inclusive if it has a working model (the operating Super Ferry) upon which to base factual information.

If this transportation option is not allowed until after the Environmental Assessment is completed I assume you will apply the same rules to other inter-island commercial carriers such as Young Bros., Matson, Hawaiian and Aloha and Go airlines.

In any organization with so many attorneys, such as a legislative body, it is possible to make mistakes in wording and intent. The solution is to correct the mistake and move on with the people's business.

Best wishes

Edward and Susan Slavish

47-079 Kamehameha Hyw

Kaneohe, Hawaii

From:	Lehua Kalai [lehua.kalai@outrigger.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:39 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Testimony is support of Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Julie "Lehua" KalaGi and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. Not only is this another great way of transportation, but it is a personal choice how you want to travel, by air or sea. The whole experience by sea could be a leisure one, and most economical way to take your whole 'ohana to visit your relatives and friends on the neighbor islands.

Another added touch to the Superferry is to take your vehicle for your ground transportation while visiting. How great is that? Another personal choice to decide what is best for your 'ohana. Traveling with small infants and toddlers, you need to pack quadruple the amount of stuff, and if you had to fly all of it over, air freight can be very costly.

Please consider giving another choice for transportation to our neighbor islands.

J. Lehua Kala'i 45-460 Loli'i Street Kaneohe, HI 96744

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From:	Ray Rogers [rayrogers.onmaui@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:46 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	10-29-07 11:45 AM My Support for Hawaii Superferry

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Importance:

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Ray Rogers and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

We need alternative method for residence and visitors to visit neighbor Islands and a more economic way to distribute fresh fruits and vegetables between the islands. Now waist with a greater chance for spoilage by relying on stand by status by air and twice the handling to move via air and/or by the twice a week barges.

Mahalo & Aloha,

Ray Rogers

Lahaina, Maui - a resident and small business owner since 1984 808 662-0022

From:	Phillip Katzman [pkatzman@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:47 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Phillip M. Katzman* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Hawaii Superferry will not only boost competition between the airlines, it will provide more jobs for our islands. The Superferry will give its riders an amazing voyage and view as they travel our islands the way they were meant to be traveled BY THE OCEAN (Kamehameha didn't have an airplane).

While I do take into consideration about invasive species the risk will be minimal compared to any cruise ship, cargo vessel that travels between the islands and many places in the south pacific. Young Brothers and Matson by sheer volume could single handedly damage our islands many times more than the Superferry. They are older vessels which do not use the energy efficient engines, newer technologies, and don't have active whale avoidance plans.

Traffic produced by the Superferry will be negligible. 800 people and 200 vehicles, the amount that arrives to one island will be offset by the others that get right on to the ship and head in the other direction.

As far as the Opihi are concerned you can get on a plane, get a cooler, and take many times the amount and do it several times a day. The airlines pollute more, use more energy, have multiple flights per day and carry far more passengers (invasive species?) than the Hawaii Superferry.

The Hawaii Superferry should be allowed to continue its service while undergoing an EIS.

Phillip M. Katzman 1088 Bishop St. Apt #906 Honolulu, HI 96813 808 (566-5958)

# Phillip Katzman

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Stephan and Kazuko Kato [visioninc@earthlink.net] From: Monday, October 29, 2007 10:28 AM Sent: hsewrittenonlysbtestimony To: Superferry Subject: Aloha; ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance DATE: Monday, October 29, 2007 TIME: 1:30 p.m. Auditorium, State Capitol SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION Requires the Department of Transportation to perform an environmental impact statement (EIS) for certain improvements made to commercial harbors. Permits operation of large capacity ferry vessel company prior to completion of EIS upon meeting certain minimum conditions. Establishes a temporary Hawaii Inter-island Ferry Oversight Task Force. (SD1) Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro: My name is Stephan Kato and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. Superferry will open a new world for the inter-island travel. We can drive our production vehicles into Superferry and it makes us a lot easier. Please save Hawaii Superferry! Thank you very much. Stephan Kato P.O. BOX 23145 HONOLULU, HI 96823 808-946-8678 \*\*\*\*\*\* VISION INC. Stephan & Kazuko Kato visioninc@earthlink.net http://home.earthlink.net/~visioninc · 808-946-8678 C 808-225-8952

From:	Richardakana@aol.com
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:49 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Hawaii super ferry testimony

Attn: House Committee's on Transportation Finance

Date: Monday, October 29, 2007 Time 1:30 PM Auditorium, State Capitol SB 1, SD 1 Relating to Transportation

My name is Richard Akana & family support the Hawaii Super Ferry Because: ! # An alternative means of Transportation 2 # An alternative means of Travel 3 # An alternative means of Sight Seeing

ALSO the HRS 343 should be enhanced to allow the super ferry to operate and or require the other transportation alternative to follow the rule set for the ferry.

I know you can do this because I am of and industry in which has been modified, re modified, ect, ect .for the last 10 years.

Richard Akana & Family 61-4126 Honouli Street 96734 808-882-1002

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From: Sent: To: Subject: El Solo [elsolo@hawaii.rr.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:49 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Fw: Hawaii Super Ferry

Ever since I learned that the super ferry was on its way to Hawaii I was very pleased. Very disappointed with the out cry of a few small minded folks in our state.

I Feel the Hawaii Super Ferry will:

- 1-- Help our economy
- 2-- Another mode of transportation to the other islands and have the option of bring ones own vehicle.
- 3-- Will assist the small business folks.

I feel the majority would like to see the Hawaii Super Ferry operate between the islands. Other than the small handful of folks concerned about the environment-- the others are backed by big business

who do not want any form of competition.

Thank you. Marjorie Norstrom Honolulu, Hawaii

From:	Michelle Y. Walker [mywalker@hawaii.edu]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:49 AM
To:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Michelle Walker* and I strongly oppose allowing the Hawaii Superferry to go forward without an adequate Environmental Review Process.

Although I am not opposed to the idea of a ferry in general, our state has regulations and requirements that must be respected and followed to protect our state's natural habitat and the surrounding waters. The requirement for an Environmental Impact Statement cannot be brushed away just because people like the general idea of a Superferry. Please require that the law be followed.

Michelle Y. Walker

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Honolulu, HI 96822

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Tommy G [yamahar1@hawaii.rr.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:49 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony i support the superferry

Finally we have something that can benefit Hawaii's residents and the authortiarian environmentalist minority wants to take it away. Since when is the life of a whale more important that the population of an entire state? I support the Superferry.

Thomas Goggia Pukalani Hi.

From: Sent: To: Subject: GAGLIANO [1713@optonline.net] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:18 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Keep The Ferry

The Ferry Helps our Beautiful State in so Many ways, Especially Tourism. As the Beatles once sung LET IT BE !!!!!!! Aloha Joe Gagliano

From: Sent: To: Subject: JDCENTER@aol.com Monday, October 29, 2007 11:49 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony SB1, SD1, Relating to Transportation

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

Our names are Donald and June Chu and we strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Passing this bill will bring an improved economy to our State, provide other needed transportation for our local residents to travel between islands, and enhance our environment and tourist travel.

Donald and June Chu 5070 Likini St. #1207 Honolulu, HI 96818 808-833-0112

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From: Sent: To: Subject: William Burke [wzb3@hawaii.rr.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:49 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Hawaii Superferry

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**Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:** 

My name is William Zebulon Burke III and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Like mass transit, it will be a boon to our state and provide resisdents and visitors alike an alternative means of travel. I just returned from a trip to a city who had a monorail system and it was wonderful to see the trains filled and streets with less vehicles.

William Burke 1634 Nuuanu Avenue

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Honolulu, HI 96817-3250 808-536-7119

From: Sent: To: Subject: Lynn Sabbatini [a1pos@hawaii.rr.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:49 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Lynn Sabbatini and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry should be allowed to operate while the EIS is being done. This allow for a more accurate EIS as the study will be formed on hypothetical and actual data. I can see no harm in approving it to operate right away thus giving the people of Hawaii another transportation option.

<>Lynn Sabbatini 43 Makalani Place Makawao Hl 96768 808-572-5159</>

From:	Ron Pitts [pittsr002@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:50 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	superferry support

House Committee on Transportation...

I strongly urge a yes vote on SB1

Hawaii is being held hostage by a minority of people that continually oppose any forward steps the State is making towards progress. These people that mostly are newer transplants to Hawaii attempt to hinder any progress in hopes to keep for themselves what they (mostly) have by-passed in their infiltration of control of Hawaii for themselves.

The undue process they say they want to impose on the SF do not apply to any other interstate movement.

And the one overlooked fact is that the SF itself offered to do their own EIS that was turned down by those that seek to totally block the SF.

All I ask for is 'due process'

Regards, Ronald Pitts, 3520 keahi Place, Kihei, Maui

From:Wehiwehi25@aol.comSent:Monday, October 29, 2007 11:50 AMTo:hsewrittenonlysbtestimonySubject:Superferry

Dear chairs Souki and Oshiro,

My name is Barbara K. Simmons and I strongly support the Superferry.

I believe that this is the best thing that has happened to Hawaii in many years. I am 67 years old, born and raised in Hawaii and don't have too many more years to wait while all of this bickering goes on. I think a lot of it is foolishness.

I waited over 30 years for the H-3 and stood by watching a handful of people slow the construction down while the price sky rocketed by many millions of dollars. What would we do without it today? I believe the protesters are now grateful for the H-3 today.

Please support the Superferry and past this bill quickly. Thank You

Sincerely,

Barbara K. Simmons 1253 Mokapu Blvd Kailua, Hi, 96734 (808) 254-0461

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From:	Mouse Builders, Inc. [mbi@lava.net]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:50 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

I, Elise Cramer, was born and raised in Kaneohe, Hawaii, and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

Not only does the Superferry afford average residents another option for inter-island travel, but, for horsepeople, it opens up many opportunities. Instead of our horses having to sit on a barge for a day or more, the trip could be made in just a few hours, reducing their stress. This would make it much more attractive for us to participate in competitions on different islands, which would benefit the horse industry in many different ways. Among them are that horse show organizers could make more money with increased numbers of competitors, neighbor island equestrians could more easily benefit from the instructors that come from all over the world to give clinics on Oahu, and breeders that do not have artificial insemination capabilities would have a bigger market since the mares could be more easily transported.

Elise Cramer Kaneohe, Hawaii

From: Sent:	Chris Shively [chris.shively@kelleher.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:48 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	A point not yet brought up yet.

Importance:

One point that has not been brought up yet to my knowledge is this:

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Lets just say that Hawaiian Airlines wins it's lawsuit and, GO is forced to leave the market. The airlines will immediately raise their fare by at least almost double.

With no Superferry to give locals another option, many families will not be able afford to travel to other islands to see family during Holiday periods.

I remember all the letters to the editor that used to blast/blame Aloha and Hawaiian for not being able to afford travel to see family before GO came into the market.

From:	wkemail45-dma@yahoo.com
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:24 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Supperferry - My Opinion

I would like to register my support for the continued operation of the Supperferry. I believe that the Supperferry provides us with another sorely needed means of transportation with our State.

I do not believe that the arguments put up by the neighbor island protesters are strong enough to warrant stopping the ferry from sailing.

Please don't let the vocal minority stop you from doing what is right for the whole State. Also, please develop some courage and by not giving in to these fanatics. Except for concerns for the whales, I believe their arguments are simply not valid. Hawaii is one state and not made up of separate countries.

We should be able to travel unrestricted within our State without any undue burdens. So what if we take their rocks, or use their surf, or their campgrounds.

If it is not against the law for a Mauian, or Kauaian, or Big Islander, then it should not be against the law for an Oahuan. And if people and freight are not screened when using Young Bros., the airlines, the cruise ships, etc., why should the Supperferry customers? Please separate the hysteria from the facts, PLEASE.

It is this kind of NIMBY thinking that is keping Hawaii from being really great State. Not only with regards to the Supperferry but with almost every major decision that the Legislature and the counties have to make. You need to do what is right and not what is politically expedient for your career. Even if it hurts some of the people, if it's good for most of the people, then you need to make sure that it is done.

I also want you to know that I do not have any vested interest in the Supperferry itself. I don't work for them nor do I have any friends or relatives that work for them. And they are not giving me any considerations for supporting them. I just believe that this is the right thing to do.

Thank you for your time and stand strong,

Yours Truly, Wayne T.I. Kim Mililani, HI

From:	Nani DeFelice [nani@paclawteam.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:50 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Nani DeFelice and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I believe that it will provide us with a more diversified means of transportation. It is good for local passengers, tourists, and small business owners. And it is good for the growth of Hawaii. I have witnessed firsthand the effective ways of public transportation by ferry on my visits to Sydney, Bangkok, Venice.

Please listen to your constituents and do everything reasonably necessary to see that we are given more choices in our means of public transportation. If not, I won't be surprised if the Hawaii Superferry files an anti-trust claim against shipping companies and airlines for monopolizing our means of transportation and shipping and sue the State of Hawaii for allowing such a scandal to take place.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: KALAULI [pkalauli@hawaiiantel.net] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:48 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony SUPPORT THE HAWAII SUPERFERRY

Aloha,

We pray that you are going to go in favor of the Hawaii Superferry. Hawaii, especially the Big Island really needs something like this. Our island is growing so fast and nothing is being done to keep up with the amount of new people here.

Our County Council is shooting down every good improvement that is offered our way. They've chased away Costco from Hilo.

They are costing the taxpayers so much money trying to keep out Wal-Mart Superstore which Hilo needs so bad.

Nothing is being done to eradicate the Coqui frogs, and now we may lose the Superferry.

WHERE ARE OUR CHOICES??? DO WE HAVE NONE????

The fishing boats and tourism activity boats do way more damage than anything else could do. THAT HAS BEEN PROVEN!!!

PLEASE, We pray that you will go in favor of the Hawaii Superferry.

Pam Kalauli

Pahoa, Hawaii

From:	Cindy Foust [mscynthiasmiles@yahoo.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:45 AM
To:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Superferry

ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

DATE: Monday, October 29, 2007

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

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Cynthia Foust, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I support Hawaii Superferry for many reasons, one of which is that I believe it will be good for Hawaii. I value our environment, and am in favor of an Environmental Impact Study, however, due to the current circumstances (the Superferry is here, and was told they would be able to operate while the study is being conducted), I believe it should be allowed at this time.

Thank You, Cynthia Foust 92-709 Aahualii Street Kapolei, HI 96707 808-672-4120

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Donna Wellworth and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

As a travel agent, I think the superferry will give my clients more options to experience the islands of Hawaii.

Donna J. Wellworth Manager Boscov's Travelcenter 22 Clifton Park Center Clifton Park , NY 12065

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From:	Kelly Brazeal [KellyBrazeal@hotmail.com]
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Kelly Brazeal* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

It is a great tool for family traveling inter-island who wish to visit friends & family. **It's also crucial to the racing community since Oahu does not have RACE TRACK**!!!! We, in the racing community were really looking forward to driving ours families & cars to the other Islands to use their racetracks, and now that opportunity is going down the toilet too for us. First "SB1734 SD2 HD1, Tax Incentive for a World Class Facility" is shot down, and now the Superferry is being denied. What else could go wrong in our racing community? Please save our Ferry! As a female car enthusiast, I would LOVE the opportunity to race my souped up Mustang again! She's been in the garage for a year & half now (only in car shows) & I need to stretch her legs soon! Thanks for your understanding to this important matter, I cannot stress enough how important the ferry is to the racing community! If you can't give us a track, at least give us the option of easily accessing the tracks on the other islands!

Kelly Brazeal

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From:	John Durkin (Personal Mailbox) [john@durkin.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:13 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	SuperFerry Testimony

My name is John Durkin. Maui is my home island, and I own a home in Lahaina. I am not employed or otherwise related to or have a direct economic interest in Superferry.

I would like to express my support for the Superferry. The Superferry will bring uncountable economic benefits to Maui. It will make small business more successful by allowing the free movement of goods between the islands. It will also allow small business people more mobility between the islands.

Most importantly, the Superferry will enable closer contact among Hawaii families. This is the most important reason for having the Superferry. The service will give Hawaiians the ability to visit family on neighbor islands more frequently and to make family visits more rich and rewarding. The Superferry's most important benefit will be to help bring Hawaiian families together more often and I think this will increase the quality of life for all.

I believe the environmental issues are manageable, as are the same issues for cruise ships and Young Brothers. The Superferry should not be unfairly treated when other shipping firms enjoy the benefit of our ports and waters.

I urge the state legislature and state government to authorize the Superferry.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to offer testimony in support of Superferry

John Durkin

From:	Tom Reed [treed@maui.net]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:52 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Cc:	pamela@mauichamber.com
Subject:	Support Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Tom Reed* and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry. In my view the Superferry is a highly beneficial addition to transportation options for Hawaii's residents. It was painfully obvious when 9/11 occurred that we were stranded with no alternative means to get between the islands. The Superferry would have provided that alternative. It is also a way to transport people who are physically challenged and have a difficult time on an airplane. With the Superferry they can even take a specially equipped van with them.

I do not believe that the Superferry represents an environmental cotastrophe as some would want us to believe. Shipments on Young Brothers, such as containers of sod and fully-grown palm trees complete with root ball, are far more likely to spread pests than the Superferry. I also don't think whale collisions are that likely. Ferries regularly ply the waters in Alaska where our humpbacks spend more time than they do here in Hawaii without major problems.

Please pass the legislation to allow the Superferry to operate while the required assessments are being done. Thank you

Sincerely yours, Tom Reed 745 Alae Rd Kula, Hi 96790 808-876-1439
From: Sent: To: Subject: James Fleming [jhfleming@earthlink.net] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:40 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony FW: SB 1, SD 1 RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION

James Fleming <u>jhfleming@earthlink.net</u> EarthLink Revolves Around You.

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ATTN: House Committee on Transportation and House Committee on Finance

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is James H Fleming and I support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry will provide a much needed alternate mode of transportation which will help pull our Island people together.

Please see that other carriers are subject to the same requirements preventing invasive species transport as may be required of the Superferry. Matson, Verizon, Young Brothers, and others have inadvertently transported many of the alien pests to our Islands and between our Islands. I believe this is a continuing serious concern to our Islands. Other carriers should be subject to the same controls as Hawaii Super ferry.

Thank you for your continued support of the Superferry.

James H. Fleming

Oahu and Maui

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Karen Scharff [alohashoes@hawaii.rr.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:54 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Hawaii Superferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

My name is Karen Scharff, and I am hoping that you will do whatever is necessary to save our Superferry. I need this mode of transportation to continue with my business as a manufacturer's representative. I know that it is only a matter of time before the air fares increase again, and since I usually pay at least \$150 for excess baggage to transport all of my samples to another island every month, this is really going to affect my ability to stay in business if the airlines are my only mode of transportation. I have been counting on this ferry for years, since I first heard about it and was paying almost \$200 roundtrip on Hawaiian and Aloha to go to a neighbor island. I would love to just load my car up, take the ferry where I need to go, do my business, and return on the Superferry, without having to go through the hassle of the airport, excess baggage charges, renting a car, etc.

I hope you will support the majority of Oahu's and the state of Hawaii's residents who really want the Superferry to survive.

Mahalo, and Aloha, Karen Scharff 1717 Mott-Smith Dr. #3009 Honolulu, HI 9682536-5208

From:Joyce Gushiken [jkg@hawaii.rr.com]Sent:Monday, October 29, 2007 11:54 AMTo:hsewrittenonlysbtestimonySubject:SB 1M SD 1 Relating to Transportion (In Favor of Hawaii Superferry Temporary Operation)

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Joyce K. Gushiken and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

We live in a state comprised of islands and as such, we should be able to move freely between the islands; and the Hawaii Superferry provides a wonderful alternative for us to travel to our neighbor islands. Also for certain kinds of health conditions, for the young and old, air travel is not an option. I think the elderly would also benefit from this form of travel as well.

Please reinstate the operation of the Hawaii Superferry prior to the completion of the EIS.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Joyce K. Gushiken

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From:	Carlin G. Robinson [Bosco808@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 10:48 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Superferry Actions

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

IMy name is Carlin G. Robinson and I strongly support the immediate actions by your august bodies that will enable the immediate startup of the Hawaii Superferry service between all Hawaiian Islands. The sooner they can start, the sooner we will get service to the disenfranchised island of Hawaii.

Mahalo, CGR

From:	Greg Ota [gso100@hotmail.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 10:32 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	SUPPORT for the Hawaii Superferry

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# Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Gregory Sachio Ota, and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Hawaii Superferry is important to this State as, most importantly, a further option for inter-island travel. Please consider the previously RIDICULOUS amounts of money you and I were required to pay in order to fly between islands, and the downright incredible drop in inter-island airfares we've seen recently. This paradigm shift was brought about by one thing: OPTIONS. Competition in the area of inter-island travle has brought prices down to the point they were TEN YEARS AGO. Had a foreign, two-letter inter-island air carrier not established itself previous to the Superferry, then there would be FAR LESS opposition to a sea-going transportation option. People would APPLAUD the Superferry for bringing down airfares, and the prices the Superferry plans on charging would be a BARGAIN compared to what airfares would have been at this moment in time.

The Hawaii Superferry, as another option for the people of this State, will further reduce the cost of visiting our beloved islands. However, while the Superferry may compete with the various airlines serving our State, it is not in direct contention and offers many services that HAVE NOT BEEN AVAILABLE BEFORE.

I have been looking forward to travelling to the Big Island, Maui and Kauai with my own vehicle to experience something previously unfathomable - taking a drive on each island in MY car, enjoying each island as if I were "going for a sunday cruise."

With the disappearance of the Hawaii Raceway Park on Oahu, I have also been waiting for the opportunity to participate in motorsports events on the outer islands, where such events may be held in organized, controlled and safe environments (drag strips and organized areas).

To be SO CLOSE to realizing what the Superferry has to offer, and then have it all TAKEN AWAY by a group of people who DO NOT REPRESENT THE OPINION OF THE MAJORITY of this great State, would be a universal SHAME... The failure of this State to provide Superferry service to its people will be a disappointment worthy of the history books. To provide this attrctive option to the People despite opposition will be a TRIUMPH worthy of the history books.

The Hawaii Superferry has my support.

Gregory Sachio Ota 1052 Uluopihi Loop Kailua, HI 96734 808-262-9890

From:	Byron Harris [malohi@afakasi.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 11:15 AM
To:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Support for the Hawaii Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Byron Harris and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

One of the biggest challenges in our State is the challenge of travel between the islands. For some families, roundtrip airline tickets are cost prohibitive, which becomes even more so once you factor in the cost of car rental. Plus, many local farmers face challenges of transporting their product between islands while also having to take several steps to insure their freshness.

Understandably, many are concerned about its impact on the environment, but the ferries operating in Washington and British Columbia, both of which I've ridden while living in BC for two years, have been in service for decades and there have been no measurable effect on their environment. Certainly, both of their ferry systems are required to perform EIS, but their performance records have been excellent. They are held to a standard and expected to meet that standard.

I believe the State Legislature needs to take steps to allow the Superferry to sail while the EIS is being performed. Of course, the Superferry should be required to satisfy any conditions put in place by the State once the EIS has been completed, but to suspend service during the EIS would guarantee their departure from the state and result in a great loss to the people of Hawaii. Allowing the Superferry to resume during the EIS would also provide us an opportunity to sample their service, and give them a chance to prove their worth.

We live in a free market society and it shows no bias when judging the worth of a business. If the Superferry is as harmful to the environment and provides no real value to the people, as its detractors claim, then the free market will not be kind to the Superferry's bottom line. But, if the Superferry becomes as helpful to the local farmers and makes travel more affordable to the people, as I believe it will, then we will all benefit from its use.

Thank you, Byron Harris 73-4356 Waipahe St. Kailua-Kona, HI 96740 (808) 329-9794

From: Sent: To: Subject: Lee A Nobriga [lanobriga@hardwarehawaii.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:16 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony I Support The Supper Ferry

Aloha House Committee on Transportation and Finance

I hope you all think this thru and make the right decision. I think we need this ferry for a lot of reasons. Unfortunately I don't have the time to list them all here. I do think that those evolved should have done what needed to be done and they would not be in this mess now. Again, I hope that we do get this means of transportation between islands I do think it would be beneficial for all of us in Hawaii.

Thank You

Lee A. Nobriga Buyer Hardware Hawaii 808-266-1012 (fax) 808-266-1133 (office) Ianobriga@hardwarehawaii.com

From:	Keil, Stephen L. @ Honolulu [Stephen.Keil@cbre.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 10:41 AM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Stephen Keil and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry will provide multiple benefits for individuals and businesses alike. It will provide healthy competition for interisland travel and commerce and will especially benefit the farmers on the neighbor island who need a fast and cost effective method to get their products to market.

I believe the vast majority of the population in Hawaii supports the Superferry.

Thank you,

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I am in support of the Superferry as an alternate form of interisland transportation for people who cannot travel by air, and preventing the air fares from rising as they have done in the past.

I also support the Superferry because it will provide a way for my daughter who is attending UH Manoa to bring her car to and from Maui without shipping her car on the freight everytime she comes home for the summer or for spring and winter breaks.

I believe the Superferry will prosper the entire State of Hawaii. I look forward to shopping on Oahu and being able to bring back more than a suitcase full of merchandise. Likewise, I intend to bring goods from Maui to our families on Oahu, as I am sure they will do the same coming to Maui.

Linda N. Lau Legal Assistant KarenTemple, Attorney at Law LLLC 24 N. Church Street, Suite 200 Wailuku, Hawaii 96793 Phone: (808) 244-8222 Fax: (808) 242-7621

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is PAULA FUKUDA and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

It brings another option of transportation to kamaaina and malihini.

The cost is reasonable.

It supports or local economy and hires local workers.

Other ocean vehicles do not have such restrictions (barge, cruise lines, commercial ships). I have traveled on the ferry between Washington State and Canada and it is a common form of transportation acceptable to the Federal and State Governments. It is a beautiful transportation option.

PAULA FUKUDA 793 ELEPAIO ST HONOLULU, HI 96816 735-8906

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From:	August [agasa001@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 10:50 AM
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Augustine Agas Jr. and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry because it will provide the people, businesses and tourists in Hawaii with an alternative mode of transportation. In regards to the people of Hawaii, it obviously provides another mode of transportation for us to visit family and friends on the outer islands. In regards to local businesses, it will encourage commerce between the islands and a mode of transportation to send and/or receive goods. In regards to tourism, it will provide another mode of transportation to the tourists and for the tourists to experience our islands in another perspective. It will also assist local emergency services and/or agencies to assist each other in times of crisis.

I strongly encourage that this bill pass!

Augustine Agas Jr.

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Waipahu, Hawaii 96797

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From:	CARLETTE HARDY [chardy143@yahoo.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 10:42 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is [Carlette F.K Hardy] and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

[I SUPPORT HAWAII SUPERFERRY BECAUSE IT IS SOMETHING DIFFERENT FOR HAWAII. I THINK IT WILL BE VERY EXCITING AND ALOT MORE FUN TO DO THAN JUST TO FLY ACCROSS JUST TO GET TO THE NEIGHBOR ISLANDS AND ALOT CHEAPER. EVER SINCE I FIRST HEARD OF THE SUPERFERRY MY FAMILY AND I WAS VERY EXCITED AND THAN I STARTED SEEING ON THE NEWS HOW OUR OWN HAWAIIANS WERE ACTING AND TRYING TO STOP THE FERRY I WAS VERY DISAPPOINTED. IF THE SUPERFERRY IS SUCH A PROBLEM THAN WHAT ABOUT ALL THE OTHER BOATS WE HAVE IN THE WATER, WHY DID THEY MAKE A BOAT FOR THE CITY TO USE WHY NOT STICK TO THE BUS. I JUST DON'T BELIEVE THAT IT IS FAIR. I THINK THAT YOU SHOULD GIVE THE SUPERFERRY A CHANCE.

CARLETTE HARDY

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Jody [jmkqlc@hawaiiantel.net] Monday, October 29, 2007 8:53 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony I Support the Super Ferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Jody Chun and I support the Hawaii Superferry. I believe change can be good and this change will positively impact the people of in the State of Hawaii.

I believe it is another means of transportation to conncect the island in an affordable manner.

I for one would love to try it. I think it's a great idea.

I understand the concern of the environmental impact statement, but I believe we can keep the islands pure with the ongoings of the Super Ferry by working together and not stopping it entirely.

Please allow the Super Ferry to continue to do business in Hawaii. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Mahalo,

Jody Chun 2921 Poelua St. Honolulu, HI 96822

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From:	WillR [grogrn@hawaiian.net]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 10:34 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	SUPERFERRY

Attn: Chairs Souki and Oshiro,

Sorry that we are unable to attend the hearings, but the future of the SUPERFERRY is very important to us. Choices of transportation are so important to the people of Hawaii. There are uses that have not yet been explored and are important to the future of the islands. The SUPERFERRY needs to be allowed to sail now! We could go on and on, but it has all been said before! Mahalo for letting us make a comment,

William and Liz Ronaldson, President Kauai County Farm Bureau

From:	Leah Lei Agustin [agustinl@hawaii.edu]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 10:50 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Please Support Hawaii Superferry

Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Leah Lei Agustin and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry.

The 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. The people of Hawaii want interisland transportation choices.

Please support the Hawaii Superferry.

Sincerely,

Leah Lei Agustin P. O. Box 606 Lihue, Hawaii 96766 808-246-4827

From: Sent: To: Subject: DeVonia Eppright [devoniae@gmail.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:22 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Support Hawaii Superferry

DeVonia Eppright Hawaii Superferry Inc. Comments submitted via email (I will not be able to testify in person) Contact Phone: 808.638.4509 or 512.217.9405

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is DeVonia Eppright, I work for Hawaii Superferry and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I truly believe that this is such a great transportation alternative for the people of Hawaii. All other island communities across the world have ferry systems, why not Hawaii? Hawaii Superferry has already taken necessary precautions to assure that there is no harm done to the environment and has actually gone above and beyond what's expected of any company. There are already commercial and tourist vessels that sail through our Hawaiian waters that don't and have never had to go through so much scrutiny. It should not be this difficult for newcomers to do business in Hawaii.

Perhaps if this service was something completely new and different, there would be a basis for all of the controversy but there are already vessels that ship cars, there are cruise ships, and cargo ships that sail and DOCK in our commercial harbors daily. I welcome you all to research all the necessary policies the Hawaii Superferry has in place including the Whale Avoidance Policy, that ensures that there are no plans to even come close to whales or other marine life. I also encourage you to study how the vessel itself was built and it's maneuverability. This was built unlike anything you've ever seen. It can stop and turn on a dime, unlike cruise ships, cargo ships, whale-watching ships, etc. I thank you for coming together to form this special session and I pray that you will allow us to operate as we enter the 11th hour. I am passionate about the Hawaii Superferry and have bonded with my fellow co-workers. I love Hawaii and have great hope for it's future. Let's show the world (because they are all watching) that Hawaii is beautiful. WE care for the environment, we care about our fragile environment, floral, fauna, and marine life, and work responsibly but not inefficiently.

The Hawaii Superferry benefits everyone. It gives our limited mobility community a chance to travel like they've never been able to before. Farmers now have more people they can sell produce to. Businesses also have a wider client base and can move equipment more easily. People are no longer limited to what their island can offer. College students can pack up their cars and take their cars with them home during the summers and during school breaks. This ferry is for the people of

Hawaii. We're not another cruise ship. We bring families together. Mahalo for your time!

Aloha and Mahalo,

DeVonia Eppright (808) 638-4509 home (512) 217-9405 cell

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Let all that you do be done in love. -1 Corinthians 16:14

From:	Valerie Yadao [vyadao@asbhawaii.com]
Sent:	Monday, October 29, 2007 10:49 AM
То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	Save the Superferry

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Valerie Yadao and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Please save the Superferry! We have anxiously been awaiting the Superferry! It would help the economy and provide a valuable service to the people of Hawaii. In the event of a hurricane, what better way to provide emergency supplies and/or to provide transportation to/from the outer islands. Right now we are hurting our reputation to do business in Hawaii. Please don't let us lose this value service to your community! VOTE TO SAVE THE SUPERFERRY!

Valerie Yadao 94-1449 Okupu Street Waipahu, HI 96797 (808) 450-2747

From:	Stan Godes [stan@stango.net]
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Stan Godes* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

*I think that it will be of great benefit for Kauai and other neighbor islands by providing an alternative means of transportation for both passengers and freight. By challenging the existing duopolies and monopolies there are bound to be lower prices.* 

*Stan Godes P.O. Box 1654 Hanalei, HI 96714 808-826-5556* 

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Robert D Pierce and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

As a longtime member of the hospitality industry, and a realtor in Washington State, I understand the need for this service. It is long past being due! Allow the service to begin while it's impacts are studied. If Hawaii cannot withstand the use of ferries, how has Washington done so for so many years? This is wrong, to allow this service not to operate.

Robert D Pierce

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То:	hsewrittenonlysbtestimony
Subject:	SB 1, SD 1 Relating to Transportation

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Dea Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Toni Rimer, and my husband and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry. After having regularly visited Hawaii over the past thirty-plus years, we have recently purchased a second home on the Big Island. One of the major factors in making this financial commitment was the expectation of having more than one option for inter-island travel.

The Hawaii Superferry is vital to the future economic well-being of the state, and I hope you will heed the wishes of thousand of residents and visitors who believe in this valuable service and will pass this legislation that will enable the Hawaii Superferry to operate while the environmental impact statement is being conducted.

Thank you for your support.

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is *Tracey Laride* and I strongly support the Hawaii Superferry. I have watched and heard, through the live video cast, what the people on Kauai have said in their meeting with Governor Lingle. I can see why a Superferry supporter may not testify in that hostile environment. However, after listening and consideration of the anti-Superferry arguments, I still strongly support the Superferry. Additionally, I agree that the temporary Hawaii Inter-island Ferry Oversight Task Force may be good idea.

# I support the Superferry because it:

Will benefit the State of Hawaii economically in providing local small businesses the ability to sell their produce and/or expand their businesses in Hawaii. This will create more revenue for the State and benefit consumers like myself.

• Provides a much needed alternative and easier means of transportation for residents, local sports groups, schools, clubs, and people with medical needs or handicap that want to use their own cars that have been specifically constructed/outfitted for them.

Has considered and taken steps to mitigate foreseeable environmental and traffic impact on Hawaii as evidence in their 1,476 page document, "Hawaii Superferry Commitments and Actions Environmental Concerns". The document is accessible through their website (<u>http://www.hawaiisuperferry.com/about-us/community/environmental-commitments.html</u>). Concerning whales, the Pacific Whale Foundation has had their run-in with whales (<u>http://starbulletin.com/2006/03/11/news/story04.html</u>). Matson " is routing its faster ships outside sanctuary waters that contain more whales" (<u>http://starbulletin.com/2004/02/27/news/story3.html</u>).

Can be an additional or only venue of transportation for immediate disaster aid response and disaster recovery needs. The Superferry can transport in one trip more cargo than one plane can provide.

There are more points I would like to add but these are the basic ones. Thank you for your time in reading this and your careful consideration. I regret that I will not be able to submit my testimony in person.

Tracey Laride

Mililani, HI

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My name is *Thomas Birchard* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

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of our third inter-island airline option, the Superferry's value will become even more evident!

Please work in support of continuing Superferry operations in Hawaiian waters.

Mahalo Tom Birchard Wahiawa Heights Oahu

| From:    | Patti Pantone [pantone@hawaiian.net] |
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| Sent:    | Monday, October 29, 2007 11:57 AM    |
| То:      | hsewrittenonlysbtestimony            |
| Subject: | Super Ferry Testimony                |

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Patricia C. Pantone and I most strongly support Hawaii Superferry. The ferry can be permitted to run while the EIS is prepared.

I have been on ferries in Asia, in England, in Ireland, and on Mainland. Ferries provide another useful means of transportation for both locals and for tourists. Hawaii has the precedent of the ferry between Mauai and Molokai. Why not ferries between other islands in our beautiful state. Hawaii is a state in the USA and should be able to use ferries as do the other states that border water.

Patricia C. Pantone

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Mahalo Tom Birchard

Wahiawa Heights

# Oahu

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Meldanjill@aol.com Monday, October 29, 2007 11:57 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Superferry

My name is Melanie Bradford and I live on the Big Island. My family and I strongly support the Superferry and urge you to consider how needed this service is, and how important the Superferry is for the economy of our state.

Thank you.

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| From:    | Judy Dew [jdew@wiktel.com]        |
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Judith E. Dew and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I am supporting the interisland Superferry as it will give much more versatility to the business schedules of the islanders, and also promote business between the islands. This will definitely boost the Ohana Spirit!!

Judith E. Dew jdew@wiktel.com

From: Sent: To: Vernon Okada [vernon.okada@uokada.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:04 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony

Please don't let the vocal minority destroy our ferry. Ferries are run all over the world. I have not yet heard of a ferry system destroying an island. Please save the Superferry.

Regards

Vernon Okada

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**Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:** 

My name is *Harvey M.Wiegert* and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

I completely support the Super Ferry even though I may never use it due to age & health issues. This ride along task force is utter nonsense and the whole invironmental issue is a smoke screen hiding the big money behind the protesters.. If I am wrong then lets have a task force assigned to every boat,barge, and aircraft that comes & goes daily..

Respectfully, MGySgt Harvey M. Wiegert USMC (Ret).

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Gene Soriano and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

Please hear the silent but concerned majority as i fully believe that the hawaii super ferry is one of the few good things that hawaii has to offer. It will be good for our economy and good for all people both kamaaina and malahini. mahalo!

M Gene Soriano

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Paul Cheape [pcheape@hawthornecat.com] Monday, October 29, 2007 11:57 AM hsewrittenonlysbtestimony Superferry

Its time for us hard working Hawaii people to take back our islands. Hawaii needs the SUPER FERRY!!!!!!!! Lets make it happen NOW!!!!!!!!!

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From:ezrico@ezrico.comSent:Monday, October 29, 2007 11:28 AMTo:hsewrittenonlysbtestimony

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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Rico Moreno and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

The Superferry is a wonderful way for locals and tourists alike, to have an alternative to visiting the Islands. After reading several reports in PBN, I can see that many small businesses on Maui and Kaua'i were actually planning to to use the Superferry to help increase their business by expanding their martkets.

Not to mention that other investors are looking at the way the Hawaii political process is being manipulated by non-business oraginzations and non-tourists that are intent on #1 not using the Superferry and #2 using weaknesses in the good aspects of the "politically correct" attitude to stifle legitimate and useful business development that is not land and farming oriented ... part of Gov. Lingle new plan for growth here in Hawaii.

I would sincerely hope that you will cast your positive vote in favor of allowing the Superferry to continue with the orignial plans as laid out in 2004.

Sincerely, Rico Moreno 521 Hahaione St.-20K, Honolulu HI 96825 808-226-5849

| From:    | Ruth Brown [brownr100@hawaii.rr.com]  |
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Dear Chairs Souki and Oshiro:

My name is Ruth A. Brown and I strongly support Hawaii Superferry.

A loud minority is imposing its will upon the citizens of Hawaii. The Superferry went through the correct process years ago and followed the guidelines given for operation. If invasive and endangered species are of such a concern to the islands, then other ships should be held to the same standards. Otherwise, the Superferry may be held accountable for other's wrongs. More importantly, I do not believe that the risks are as great as they are being painted. Please allow the Superferry to run as quickly as possible to allow Hawaii's residents another form of travel and another contingency plan in the even of a state emergency.

Ruth A. Brown

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