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RI Public Utilities Commission,  
Division of Public Utilities and Carriers  
89 Jefferson Boulevard,  
Warwick, RI 02888

Attention of John Spirito, Esq.

Dear Mr. Spirito:

Re: License Application for Ferry Service to Service Prudence and Islands

Regrettably, we missed our opportunity to speak on behalf of the approval of A & R Marine Corporation's license for passenger and freight service that will ensure responsive public ferry services for Prudence and potentially Hog Island. . My family has owned property on Hog Island for since 1921. Hog Island is a summer colony and most of us closed our cottages and left the island for the summer when this issue was reviewed. I, and I am sure many other people who own property on Hog Island were very inconvenienced by the loss of public ferry service when Bruce Medley cancelled our service. Many older people and handicapped persons can no longer go there because they cannot climb in and out of small boats. For all the reasons cited by Prudence residents on the adverse impact of the loss of ferry service for their residents, we, Hog Islanders actually experienced them. The intervention of Portsmouth and Bristol, two local governmental entities, demonstrates the importance and necessity for reliable and responsive public service for its citizens. Quality service is actually critical for the health, welfare and public safety for the people who live on the islands.

The application for service presented by A & R addresses many concerns not presently covered by the current licensee. I believe they represent an opportunity for improved, reliable and responsive service. For these reasons, I hope you approve this company. I believe this decision will prove to be in the best interest of the general public as well as the property owners.

Thank you for your consideration.

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CC: Lucy Massaro, Clerk