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Laura Busheikin, Chair Hornby Island Local Trust Committee Islands Trust 700 North Road Gabriola Island BC V0R 1X3

Dear Chair Busheikin,

Re: BC Ferries

Thank you for your letter of October 9, 2018, regarding BC Ferries' summer service between Denman and Hornby islands. I appreciated the opportunity to review your feedback.

As you are likely aware, the provincial government launched a comprehensive operating review of the coastal ferry service in January, led by special advisor Blair Redlin. Mr. Redlin spent six months working on this review and has now submitted his report. The report is broad, and it will take some time for us to fully consider its recommendations. Once we have had an opportunity to consider the report's findings, it will be made publicly available. You can be sure I will keep your comments in mind as we proceed.

In the meantime, if you have not already done so, you can view the terms of reference for the review on our website at:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/transportation/transportation-reports-and-reference/reports-studies/ferries-marine/coastal-ferry-services-review/coastal-ferry-services-review-terms-of-reference

Under the current Coastal Ferry Services contract, BC Ferries has the ability to add sailings on routes where it makes sense to do so. I am pleased to see that you also shared your feedback with BC Ferries President and CEO, Mark Collins, for his consideration.

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Thank you again for taking the time to write.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Trevena

Minister

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Mark Collins, President and CEO

BC Ferries