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BC FERRIES' PRESIDENT & CEO ISSUES STATEMENT REGARDING REVIEW OF COASTAL FERRY SERVICES

BC Ferries is pleased that the Review of Coastal Ferry Services confirms that the coastal ferry service is a vital part of the provincial economy and critical to both those who use ferry services and for the province as a whole. We appreciate the review concluding that "BC Ferries is on the whole a well-run company." The review also recognizes that our "employees and managers are committed to providing a safe, reliable service for the coast and work hard at it every day of the week" and our "Board of Directors take seriously its obligation to provide good strategic direction and oversight."

BC Ferries acknowledges and appreciates the financial contribution the Province made over the past year, along with contributions from BC Ferries, to fare affordability and helping to keep fares flat and lower fares on some routes. We also appreciate today's announcement of increased service levels on many of our inter-island and northern routes. We look forward to continuing to work with the Province in the best interests of the ferry users.

We are currently in the process of reviewing the document thoroughly. We look forward to meeting with the Province to better understand which recommendations they are interested in exploring further.

Mark Collins President & CEO BC Ferries

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