

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: INTERSTATE NAVIGATION COMPANY  
COMPLIANCE FILING

DOCKET NO. 3762

**NOTICE TO SOLICIT COMMENTS**

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 39-1-1, 39-1-11, 39-3-11 and 39-3-12 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) will accept written public comments regarding the Interstate Navigation Company (“Interstate” or “Company”) request for an automatic rate increase based on the Consumer Price Index (“CPI-U Northeast”) for its traditional ferry service to become effective on January 1, 2011.

In Order No. 18957 in this docket, the Commission approved an Amended Settlement Agreement (“Settlement”) between Interstate, the Town of New Shoreham and the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers whereby Interstate’s new rates were frozen for two years ending December 31, 2008. The Settlement allows for rate increases based on the change in the CPI-U from September 30, 2009 to September 30, 2010. The impact of the proposal is an across-the-board increase of 1.2% on most rate classes. The increase does not affect the Commuter Rate, the Commuter Vehicle Rate or the Freight Rates. If approved, the adult round trip fare from Point Judith to Block Island, will increase by \$0.20 from \$17.40 to \$17.60, and the child round trip fare will increase by \$0.10, from and \$8.65 to \$8.75. Autos will increase by \$0.55, from 47.35 to \$47.90. Pick-up trucks, vans and SUV’s will increase by \$0.70, from \$57.10 to \$57.80. The Commission may approve different rates that may be higher or lower than those proposed by the Company based on the calculation.

Interested parties and members of the public wishing to offer comments regarding

Interstate's proposal may do so in writing to Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk, Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, RI 02888 until 4:00 P.M. on December 10, 2010. An original and nine (9) copies of written comments must be filed with the Clerk.

The proposal and related information is on file for examination at the Commission's office and at the office of Schacht & McElroy, 21 Dryden Lane, Providence, Rhode Island. The filing can also be accessed at [www.ripuc.org](http://www.ripuc.org) under Commission Docket Menu, Docket No. 3762.

Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws; specifically Sections 39-1-7, 39-1-8, 39-1-11, 39-1-12, 39-1-16, 39-1-18, 39-1-20, 42-35-8 and 42-35-10.

Luly E. Massaro  
Commission Clerk  
November 24, 2010