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May 21, 2018

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

Re: Docket No. D-13-51  
In Re: Rhode Island Fast Ferry, Inc.

Dear Luly:

Enclosed for filing are an original and three copies of Interstate Navigation Company's Statement regarding remand hearings held on March 30, 2018 and April 4, 2018 in this matter.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Very truly yours,



Michael R. McElroy

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS

IN RE: RHODE ISLAND FAST FERRY, INC. : DOCKET No. D-13-51

**STATEMENT OF INTERSTATE NAVIGATION COMPANY**  
**D/B/A THE BLOCK ISLAND FERRY**

Interstate Navigation Company d/b/a The Block Island Ferry (“Interstate”) submits the following Statement regarding remand hearings held on March 30, 2018 and April 4, 2018 before the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (“DPUC”) in this matter.

At the beginning of the hearing on March 30, 2018, counsel for Interstate respectfully requested that Interstate be heard during the remand hearings before the DPUC, as ordered by the Superior Court on September 12, 2017 (“Superior Court Order”). See Tr. Vol. I, p 6-7, 9-10. The Superior Court Order states, in relevant part: “The parties shall have the right to present evidence and to make arguments on the record to the Division at a hearing to be conducted in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act and the Division’s Rules of Practice and Procedure.”

By its plain language, the Superior Court Order makes clear that all parties, not a subset of parties, shall be allowed to present evidence and make arguments at the hearing. Despite this, the Hearing Officer did not allow Interstate to present any evidence and did not permit Interstate to make any arguments during the two days of hearings. This was in direct violation of the Superior Court Order.

Because the Hearing Officer has refused to allow Interstate to present evidence or make arguments, Interstate will not be filing a post-hearing memorandum; however, Interstate expressly reserves its right to appeal the DPUC’s ruling preventing Interstate from participating in the remand hearing in any substantive way.

Respectfully submitted,

INTERSTATE NAVIGATION COMPANY

By its attorneys, \*

Dated: May 21, 2018

  
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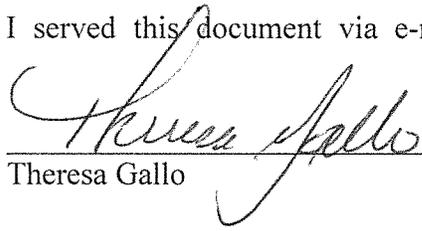
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