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Message

As a property owner on Bald Head Island, I am extremely opposed to the transfer/sale of the ferry system from BHI Limited to a private investment group (SharpVue Capital) with no other interest in the Island. No other North Carolina residents are required to use a for-profit monopoly to access their homes and businesses. The Ferry system should be preferentially sold to the Village of Bald Head Island first and of that is not feasible, to the Transportation Authority. In addition, the barge and parking should also come under the authority of the NCUC. There is absolutely no other option to access the ferry or transport construction materials and groceries to the Island other than to use the parking and barge. Without their coming under the NCUC control, island residents and business owners will be held hostage to the profit motivations of the investment group. No other residents of North Carolina have access to their homes restricted by a for-profit entity. Even though the current owner BHI Limited was a for-profit entity, their ultimate desire to develop their own interests in the Island prevented them from abusing their position. The current proposed sale to SharpVue presents no overarching interest to the public and creates a monopoly which historically comes at the expense and detriment to consumers. Please vote no and reject the request to transfer the ferry system to SHarpVUe. Kind regards, Trisha Johnson 109 Kitty Hawk Way Thank you for your attent

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Please accept my comments in regards to the assets of the barge and parking owned by BHI Transportation and under contract to be sold to SharpVue and the issue raised by the Village of BHI in regards to whether those assets should also come under regulation by the NCUC. I am in complete agreement to the request made by the Village of BHI. The parking and barge operations in question constitute a monopoly and BHI property owners have no other means of accessing the island and transporting goods to the island without the use of these services. As such, the barge and parking are integral to the regulated operations of the ferry and tram system and should be included as such. No other residents of North Carolina are beholden to a monopoly to access their property or transport goods to their properties and the residents of BHI should not be subjected to such either. Our only protection from such abuse rests in the authority of the NCUC and I respectfully ask for you help in this matter. Please grant the Village of BHI's petition and move the barge and parking facilities under the regulatory purview of the Commission. Kind regards, Trisha Johnson 109 Kitty Hawk Way