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Submission from Parr & Co Ltd:

I write this submission in support of the way in which Foreign Chartered Vessels (FCV) are managed and operated in our region, and the huge economic input they have within our local community.

I do not request to make an oral submission, nor do I request any of the content of this submission be kept private.

Parr & Co Ltd is a long standing engineering company that has been providing engineering services to FCV`s for numerous years, our company also undertakes engineering work on a wide range of other marine vessels registered here in New Zealand and from overseas.

The way in which FCV`s are operated, surveyed and maintained here in our region, is to the same standard as any of the other marine vessels we work on, from structural to MAF requirements, we are regularly engaged to undertake work to meet New Zealand compliance standard's.

We work alongside the New Zealand owned companies that charter these vessels, and alongside the operations managers from the FCV`s, this working relationship between the two parties gives us first hand insight into how locally based FCV`s are managed, maintained and operated.

The New Zealand owned and operated companies that charter these vessels in our region have an intertwined operation structure utilising the FCV`s shore management and operation managers, to effectively run a business that becomes part of the economic input into our region, the FCV`s offer increased employment, sales and opportunities in our community, which in my view has no difference to that of any multi-national company operating in our region, (i.e. Dick Smith Electronics through to Ray White Real Estate) all of whom are owned off shore, yet operate in our communities, providing employment and opportunities.

This economic input into our local region offers vital revenue for our local Port, along with the increased trade and supplier operations, which intern offers employment, and economic growth within our region, which being an industry based region also provides increased output and services for many other facets of our regions industry sector.

Best Regards

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