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The Honourable Peter Fassbender  
Minister of Education  
P.O. Box 9045 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Fassbender,

**Re: BC Ferries**

This letter is a follow-up to our meeting with you on April 25, 2014 at the BCSTA AGM.

In our conversation, we were seeking your assistance to provide clarification and a rationale for student travel on BC Ferries for school events. It is our request that you use your resources to discuss with other ministries and BC Ferries as to why students in School District #46 (Sunshine Coast) and School District #64 (Gulf Islands) are provided with free ferry fares when travelling for school events.

We would like to have clarification and the rationale for this inconsistency. We have been seeking the answer to this anomaly for the last few years, but to no avail.

It is our hope that you will provide us with clarity on this issue and find an equitable solution.

Yours truly

Dr. Jeanette Scott  
Chair, Powell River Board of Education

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