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I have two questions, Mr. President,

1. Does the so called "Grandfather Clause" specify that the service between Hudson and Oka must use the same kind of equipment forever?

I would like to point out that the barges are not the same as the original ones and these changes were permitted and accepted. With newer, safer, (particularly safer) and environmental friendly equipment, it is still the same service being offered as before. The new equipment will still be a vessel carrying vehicles and people from one side of the river to the other.

2. Does this "Grandfather Clause" specify how many vehicles can be carried in a season?

I often use this service and would certainly welcome any improvement. Increase in traffic is everywhere today so why live on a main thoroughfare and complain about traffic? If this service is stopped, you are going to force approximately 300,000 people per year to drive for at least an hour instead of taking the short trip across the water.

Thank You.

  
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