## **B.C. Ferry Authority**

June 26th, 2024

## Reappointments and an Appointment to the BC Ferry Services Board

VICTORIA - Today, as part of its legislative mandate, BC Ferry Authority Board confirmed the reappointment of seven board members to a second term and appointed one new member to take the place of an outgoing member on the BC Ferry Services Board.

Joy MacPhail, Eric Denhoff, and J. Dennis Blatchford are each reappointed to two-year terms; Harold Calla and Charlene Hiller are reappointed to three-year terms; and, Catherine McLay and Tamim Raad are reappointed to four-year terms. Shona Moore will continue her existing term to June 2025.

Sarah Morgan-Silvester has maximized her term and will conclude her service on the board. BC Ferry Authority thanks Ms. Morgan-Silvester for her dedicated work as a valuable board member. Ms. Morgan-Silvester is being replaced by a new appointment:

Lecia Stewart most recently served as Chair of the BC Ferry Authority Board, where she led the reform of executive compensation and guided the strategic direction for coastal ferries. Ms. Stewart is a recognized industry leader with more than 25 years of experience advising on start-up, procurement, governance, and delivery strategies for large and complex infrastructure projects. She served as President and Project Director for two major Canadian transit projects. She was also Vice President at Bombardier Transportation. In 2005, she founded the Stewart Group, a consulting firm offering strategic advisory services for major infrastructure projects. Her expertise is essential in overseeing BC Ferries strategic direction and capital plan to modernize and transform coastal ferries.

Together, board members bring extensive business, capital project, financial, labour, transportation, and other board leadership experience to BC Ferries. The size and mandate of the board remain the same.

The BC Ferries plays an essential role in connecting coastal communities. The BC Ferry Services Board provides oversight to the day-to-day operations of the ferry company in the interests of the public.

## **Quick Facts**

- The BC Ferry Authority is an independent authority in the governance of BC Ferries.
- Through the Coastal Ferry Act, the Authority is the holder of the single common and voting share of BC Ferry Services.
- As the sole voting shareholder, it is responsible to oversee BC Ferries' strategic
  direction in support of the public interest, appoint BC Ferries' Board of Directors, and
  approve the compensation plan for BC Ferries' executives, among other duties.

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