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## NY WATERWAY & NJ TRANSIT COMPLETE FIRST FERRY RETROFIT TO DRAMATICALLY CUT FUEL USE AND EMISSIONS, WITH 5 MORE BOATS TO FOLLOW

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Photo & Video from the event can be found <u>HERE</u>

**WEEHAWKEN, NJ (July 26, 2022**) — NY Waterway and NJ TRANSIT announced the completion of a major ferry retrofit that dramatically cuts its emissions, with five more ferries to be upgraded in the future. The fully refitted *Hoboken* has brand new engines and greater passenger capacity, while using 25 percent less fuel and emitting 80 percent less NOx engine exhaust.

Five more NY Waterway ferries will be retrofitted under the program, made possible by NJ TRANSIT through a \$12-million grant from the Federal Transportation Administration. At an event at Port Imperial in Weehawken Tuesday, NY Waterway and NJ TRANSIT unveiled the first refitted ferry and took media and guests on a ride across the Hudson River.

"Every ferry takes dozens—sometimes hundreds—of cars off the region's roadways. They're already a clean and sustainable way to commute, and now they'll be even greener. It's our mission to be a good steward of the harbor, and we're so thrilled to see the Hoboken reenter service with cleaner engines, room for more passengers and lower fuel use on every trip," said **Armand Pohan, President, CEO & Chairman of NY Waterway**. "We are so grateful to our partners at NJ TRANSIT, the FTA as well as Senator Bob Menendez for this program."

"NJ TRANSIT is proud to have helped facilitate the funding for NY Waterway's upgrade to its ferries, which will substantially lower carbon emissions and improve our environment," said NJ TRANSIT President & CEO Kevin S. Corbett. "We look forward to continuing to work with environmental advocates, elected officials, and other stakeholders to promote a more sustainable, environmentally-friendly New Jersey."

## About the *M/V Hoboken*:

- Four 600-horsepower EPA Tier 1 engines replaced by two 900-horsepower EPT Tier 3 engines
- Capacity increased from 149 to 247 passengers—a 60 percent increase
- Fuel use reduced by 25 percent

• NOx emissions reduced by 80 percent

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