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## NY Waterway Ready to Serve New Jersey Rail Commuters in the Event of a Service Disruption

Additional Ferries and Crews may be Deployed to Meet Increased Demand

Weehawken, NJ (May 14, 2025) – As negotiations continue between NJ Transit and the union representing its engineers, NY Waterway -- which operates the largest ferry fleet between New Jersey and New York – is making preparations to increase service for New Jersey rail commuters, including deploying additional ferry boats and crew as needed, in the event of a rail service disruption.

Passengers are encouraged to monitor and sign up for announcements, advisories and route-specific alerts through <u>nywaterway.com</u>, the NY Waterway app and social media channels.

"We're closely monitoring the situation and are prepared to increase capacity and frequency of our ferry service between New Jersey and Manhattan based on demand," said NY Waterway President and CEO Armand Pohan. "The ferry, which is fast, comfortable and reliable, can provide the best alternative commuting option into and out of the city for many New Jersey rail commuters."

NY Waterway provides fast, frequent <u>service</u> to both Midtown (W. 39<sup>th</sup> Street) and Downtown Manhattan (Pier 11/Wall Street and Brookfield Place/Battery Park City) from nine New Jersey terminals in Edgewater, Weehawken, Hoboken, Jersey City and South Amboy.

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## **About NY Waterway**

Founded by Arthur Imperatore, Sr. in 1986, NY Waterway operates the nation's largest privately-owned commuter ferry service. Prior to the pandemic shutdown, NY Waterway carried more than 32,000 passengers each weekday on 23 routes across the Hudson River, bringing New Jersey commuters to Manhattan and back. In cooperation with MTA Metro

North Railroad, ferries bring commuters from the west side of the Hudson River in Newburgh and Haverstraw to the Hudson Line stations in Beacon and Ossining. On dozens of occasions, NY Waterway ferries have provided emergency service when public transit systems are disrupted. On 9/11, NY Waterway ferries evacuated more than 150,000 people from Manhattan, part of the largest maritime evacuation in history. In August 2003, when a massive blackout shut down all Hudson River crossings, NY Waterway carried 160,000 people home to New Jersey. Ferry crews have also rescued more than 300 people from New York waters, most notably the 143 people rescued from US Airways Flight 1549, the Miracle on the Hudson in 2009, the most successful marine rescue in aviation history. Get updates at 1-800-53-FERRY (7am - 11am Monday - Friday), nywaterway.com, facebook.com/nywaterway or twitter.com/ridetheferry.

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