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FUEL PRICES FORCE FARE INCREASE

SeaLink today announced a fare increase that will take effect from 01 June 2008.

The company has continued to absorb fuel increases and hold its fares since the last increase in July 2006.

“With the price of fuel increasing at an alarming rate, we have regrettably reached the point where we can no longer hold our pricing”

“We have held off making this decision as long as possible” said General Manager Donna Gauci today. “We have decided that the new standard fares will take effect from the 1st of June in order to give all of our customers as much notice as possible.”

An adult return fare will now be \$30 and a child return \$16.50. The 10-trip adult ticket goes to \$130 and a monthly pass will be \$275.

SeaLink will continue to offer its full range of Residents’ Deals and FreightLink Super Saver fares and details of all new fares are available on their website.

WINTER SCHEDULE

SeaLink has announced their winter schedule which also takes effect on the 1st June. This year there will be only one change to the timetable for the months of June - September. The change combines the 5:30pm and 6:30pm sailings from Half Moon Bay into a 6pm departure. The corresponding return sailings from Kennedy Point (usually 6:30pm and 7:30pm) will be combined to make a 7pm departure from Kennedy Point.

“We have to be mindful of our costs across the winter” said Ms Gauci “and while we do our best to minimise changes to our schedules, every saving we make helps us minimise fare increases.”

For full fares and timetable information, see the Waiheke pages at www.sealink.co.nz or call 0800 SEALINK (0800 732 546)

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