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**Re:Public Transport Fares in Sydney and Surrounds**

I am a part-time worker commuting to the city 3-4 times a week. I live close to the water and the fastest way for me to commute to the city is via bus/ferry.

I have a few items that I would like to raise for consideration under the review that are specific to my situation:

- part-timers are penalised as they do not qualify for the free travel towards the end of the week that all full-time workers do get. This seems doubly unfair as we earn less and pay more per trip than others but have no way to avoid this.

- ferry travellers are also penalised unfairly for the fact that part of their travel involves a bus-trip. For others continuing the same journey into (or out from) work on two buses for example, I believe they get two credits towards their 8 trips for the week. because our travel involves two separate types of travel, we are not allowed this, even though we are paying such a premium to travel with expensive ferry tickets and standard bus fares as well

- more generally, i do find the ferry tickets (especially with the bus ticket added in) incredibly expensive, particularly when compared to other modes of transportation. It would be great to see transportation prices based on distance travelled rather than having such huge discrepancies between modes or transportation

Kind regards

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