

March 15, 2013

Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee Oregon State Legislature State Capitol Building Salem, Oregon 97310

RE: SB 488

Dear Chair Dingfelder and Members of the Committee:

I serve as a member of the Community Investment Initiative Leadership Council and chair its Transportation Committee. The Leadership Council is an independent group of leaders from diverse backgrounds in business, public service and community advocacy who guide the work of the Community Investment Initiative (CII). The mission of the CII is to build the region's economy by investing in infrastructure to support the creation of living-wage jobs (see <a href="https://www.communityinvestmentinitiative.org">www.communityinvestmentinitiative.org</a>).

The Leadership Council agrees that an efficient and sustainable transportation system is critical to support economic development in the Portland metropolitan region and the state. The Leadership Council has determined that a vehicle fleet operating on cleaner fuels – fuels that result in fewer greenhouse gas emissions and fewer dollars exported out of state to pay for imported oil – is an important element in that strategy. As such, we support continuing the State's efforts in this area, including extending the effectiveness of the Clean Fuels Standard beyond its current 2015 sunset date. We urge the Committee to move SB 488 forward to adoption.

Sincerely,

Angus Duncan, Leadership Council Member,

Community Investment Initiative