

To: House Committee on Energy and Environment

From: Kelli Wolford

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am writing you today regarding HB2447. As an Oregon resident and solar energy employee in this state, I encourage you to consider the extension of the tax credits for alternative energy devices.

The current credit is largely responsible for a long domino effect of economic stimulus in Oregon. The credit has allowed thousands of homeowners to achieve their goal of lowering their carbon emissions, and has allowed an entire industry to thrive here in Oregon. The health of this industry has allowed me to buy a home, provide for my family, and support this local economy. My concern is that when this credit sunsets, the industry may falter, which would not only make it harder for Oregon residents to "go solar", but it would also cripple an entire industry, threaten the livelihoods of solar professionals, and would have a severe impact on this local economy.

This credit is good for Oregon, and I would like to see it given another four years in action.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my thoughts.

Sincerely,

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