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To the Senate Business & Transportation committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit remarks concerning the vitally important issue addressed in SB 32.

The City of Estacada has spent the last decade in support of developing large industrial developable lots in conjunction with a local land owner who has the vision to see job growth in our area. We have been successful in expanding our Urban Growth Area to include his 130 acre parcel, annex this important land into the City Limits, support improvement of the land with an LID establishing necessary infrastructure on the site, and finally, working with Business Oregon and Clackamas County have the first phase certified as shovel ready. As you can imagine, this was no small task.

Now that we are actively seeking tenants for the buildable lots in the new industrial campus, we are constantly asked the question; "Do you have natural gas at the site?". Terra Wilcoxson, Mike Park the property owner, and the Clackamas County Business & Development Department personnel have partnered with us to find a possible solution to the need most industrial businesses want when seeking to locate in Estacada—that being natural gas.

SB 32 affords us the potential to move forward with an acceptable alternative to the $13 million pipeline that is out of our reach. I strongly urge your support of this bill and ask that you move it to the full Senate with a do-pass recommendation.

Very sincerely,

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