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From: Michael Heumann [<mailto:heumanncycle@gmail.com>]
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To: Patrino Beth
Subject: Support HB 2745 and HB 2941

To the Chair and members of the House Committee on Energy and Environment:

I am writing to urge your support for the current Solar Pilot Program (HB 2745 and HB2941) which would otherwise end in May. Passage of HB 2745 will assure the extension of this important program. The program builds the infrastructure needed for clean, local energy that keeps our energy dollars here in Oregon. It is especially important as an incentive for businesses to get onboard with solar projects on their buildings--which demonstrates the value of commercial scale solar projects.

I have benefited from this program when it first began, and have found solar energy has helped me reduce my contribution to carbon generation, and it has helped my utility ease the pressure for new power sources as well as an ability to share the excess power I generate during the day with the grid.

I would further encourage the committee to support the development of community solar projects that would allow homeowners that are unable to install solar on their own homes to invest in and receive benefits from solar installations in their community (HB2941-1). All of this helps create installation jobs in the local economy and easing pressures on the utilities.

Please keep the Solar Pilot Program viable and pass the bill that will support the development of community solar projects.

Sincerely,

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