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To: Chair Jessica Vega-Pederson, House Energy and Environment Committee
From: Oregon Solar Supporter
Re: HB 2745 and HB 2941
Date: March 3, 2015
Via Email: Rep.JessicaVegaPederson@state.or.us

As one of hundreds of business people in the solar industry of Oregon, **I am writing to encourage your support for the passage of two very important bills: HB 2745 and HB 2941.**

The Solar Feed-In-Tariff program, defined in HP 2745, will allow Oregonians to pursue projects in sustainable energy that will displace other imported and pollution causing sources of electricity, and help stabilize and grow our sources of reliable clean power. The past pilot program has had a successful run. It is time to establish a long-term, predictable program for the benefit of both consumers and the solar industry.



Installation of 10Kw array at Mullen Farms St. Paul, OR
Made possible by Oregon Feed-In-Tariff Pilot Program

Community Solar, defined in HB 2941, is also worthy of passage by the Oregon Legislature. Many Oregonians are presently precluded from participation in the on-going Green Energy revolution, either because of their limited financial resources or because they lack an appropriate site for a solar energy installation. As many other states are doing, Oregon needs to implement rules allowing for community solar to level the solar playing field and aid in the development of this very important form of clean energy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric Nill".

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