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The Honorable Jessica Vega Pederson  
Chair, House Committee on Energy and Environment  
Oregon State Capitol, Room 285  
Salem, Oregon 97301

Re: House Bill 2449 (Biomass Tax Credit Extension) – SUPPORT

Dear Representative Vega Pederson:

I am writing on behalf of PacifiCorp to express support for House Bill 2449 (Biomass Tax Credit Extension).

PacifiCorp is an integrated electric utility serving 1.7 million customers in six states in the Pacific Northwest and Rocky Mountain regions. In Oregon, the company serves over 560,000 customers in mostly rural communities as Pacific Power.

HB 2449 would extend the sunset for the biomass collection or production tax credit. Pacific Power supports biomass as an energy source and advocated for its inclusion as an eligible resource to the state's renewable energy standard in 2010. Our rural community partners have a sustainable supply of biomass from our forest products industry that helps support the local economy while generating a renewable power resource. Biomass collection and production is part of the sustainable management of Oregon's forests; it is important to the economy and helps reduce Oregon's risk for environmental hazards such as wildfires. For these reasons, we support HB 2449.

Thank you for your consideration. If you should have questions, please contact me or our Salem representatives, Shawn Miller [shawnm@wvi.com](mailto:shawnm@wvi.com) at or Elizabeth Howe at [elizabeth@howePA.com](mailto:elizabeth@howePA.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Annette Price".

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