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**House Committee on Energy & Environment**

**Chair: Representative Jessica Vega Pederson**

**Vice-Chair: Representative Jeff Reardon**

**Vice-Chair: Representative Mark Johnson**

**House Bill 2092**

CLEAResult is pleased to express our support of House Bill 2092 also referenced as the Zero-Emission Incentive Fund. CLEAResult is a consulting firm with expertise in implementation of utility energy efficiency programs. Currently we implement energy efficiency programs for BPA, NEEA and Energy Trust of Oregon. Our written testimony on House Bill 2092 is completely independent of our Oregon utility clients.

We believe that Oregon has a chance to help transform the electric vehicle market in this state. With the proposed incentive, we can make electric vehicles more accessible to all Oregonians and at the same time have a positive impact on our environment.

Electric vehicles reduce gasoline consumption, air pollution, and emissions of greenhouse gases. Clean cars also strengthen Oregon's economy, keeping more money circulating locally. Oregon doesn't have any producing oil wells or petroleum refineries, and approximately \$6 billion per year in Oregonians' fuel spending leaves the state. Fuel costs for Oregonians have nearly doubled over the past decade, rising to nearly 7% of household income.

We believe this bill will be a direct support to Oregon middle class families with the savings associated with driving an EV versus a traditional combustion engine.

Passage of this bill will help the State of Oregon meet a number of established goals.

- Oregon's [10-Year Energy Action Plan](#) has a core strategy of accelerating the market transition to a more efficient, cleaner transportation system. The plan calls for a 20-percent conversion of fleets to alternative fuel vehicles over the next ten years.
- The [Pacific Coast Action Plan on Climate and Energy](#) calls for leadership in transitioning the West Coast to clean modes of transportation and aims for 10 percent of new vehicle purchases in fleets to be zero emission vehicles by 2016.
- The [8-State Zero-Emission Vehicle Programs Memorandum of Understanding](#) agreed to a collective target of having at least 3.3 million zero-emission vehicles on the road by 2025 and to pursue incentives for ZEVs when appropriate.

Please consider passage of this bill to ensure Oregon can meet all of its established goals around carbon emission reductions.

Sincerely,

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