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Dear Chair Sen. Edwards and Members of the Senate Environment Committee:

First, thank you for your courteous reception of those who appeared against this measure at the hearing on SB 716 last week. Those of us who testified or simply attended were grateful for the time and attention you gave us in our opposition to this bill. As you probably know, we believe strongly that there is overwhelming evidence from nearly every quarter that the Oregon economic economy needs investment in already existing industrial land supply, not the acquisition of "new" raw land. While SB 716 may well be cleverly designed and disguised in a way to benefit certain land speculators or owners of land, it seems clear that sound Oregon land use policy that has been carefully and thoughtfully developed over the past several decades will not benefit.

I respectfully ask you to not schedule a work session to try to fix this fatally flawed bill. It isn't ready for prime, or any time.

Again, thanks for your time and attention.

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