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Members of House Energy and Environment Committee,

Citizens Utility Board, Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities, PacifiCorp and PGE don't always agree, but we do agree in asking you to oppose HB 2216.

Offshore wind is an extremely expensive resource for a select group of Oregon utility customers to pay for. We can buy onshore wind for a fraction of the price. The proposed offshore wind farm would cost 3-4 times what we pay for onshore wind. This is an extremely inefficient and expensive way for utilities to purchase renewable power.

HB 2216 is brought forward by one company seeking to have PGE and PacifiCorp customers alone subsidize their project. This project is not commercially viable; it is a Research, Development and Demonstration (RD&D) effort. It is unreasonable to require by law that the responsibility for the costs of an RD&D project is saddled on the backs of the customers of two utilities and not spread across all energy customers in the state.

As groups that don't often agree on energy policy, we are firmly united in asking you to vote no on HB 2216.

Thank you.

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