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**From:** CONNIE PETERSON <c.peterson8784@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 01, 2016 11:04 AM  
**To:** SENR Exhibits  
**Subject:** Concerning SB 1574

Dear Members of the Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources:

I am not going to reiterate the "talking point" arguments for the subject line legislation, as I am certain this information will be conveyed at the hearing tomorrow. Instead, I am going to share my personal reason for encouraging bold action on climate change issues.

I believe taking bold action to combat climate disruption is not only scientifically and fiscally responsible, but also a moral imperative. I am the mother of two accomplished children--both college graduates (one a PhD candidate at Harvard)--neither of whom want to bring children into a world so fraught with short-sited greed and climate uncertainty. I understand their position, but am deeply saddened by the fact we cannot seem to get it together to leave our world in better shape than we found it.

Please rise above tiresome politics and make Oregon a leader in this fight. Were Oregon to take action, and link our energy and climate policies with those already adopted in British Columbia, Washington, and California, we would be acting as the 5th largest world economy--and to the benefit of not only our climate, but also in creating good paying clean energy jobs that could not be out sourced.

Sincerely,  
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