



OSEIA Supports House Bill 4036-A

The Oregon Solar Energy Industries Association (OSEIA) is a trade organization representing solar companies and professionals in Oregon, ranging from SolarWorld and SolarCity to individual solar installers and small businesses located across the state. OSEIA was founded in 1981 to make clean, renewable solar energy a significant energy source by expanding markets, strengthening the industry, and educating Oregonians about its benefits.

The solar industry supports HB 4036-A for the following reasons:

- The bill provides a clear and steady path for eliminating coal from Oregon's electricity rates.
- The bill re-enforces Oregon's commitment to energy efficiency.
- The bill directs that coal is replaced primarily by clean energy, first efficiency and then renewables.
- The bill creates a 50 percent Renewable Energy Standard for Portland General Electric and Pacific Power.
- The bill creates a community solar program that will allow customers who are unable to put solar panels on their roofs to have access to the benefits of solar through shared systems.
- The bill clearly outlines the avenue for utilities to invest in the electrification of the transportation sector.
- The bill maintains all of the consumer protections contained in statute from the passage of the initial Renewable Energy Standard in 2007.

The passage of HB 4036-A would forestall a proposed ballot measure and is a result of remarkable negotiations between parties bringing the ballot measures and the electric utilities which were the primary targets of the ballot measure.

Please vote YES on House Bill 4036-A.

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