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From: Climate Justice Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis

Susan Christie Chair

Date: Feb 17, 2016

Re: HB4036 Clean Electricity & Coal Transition Bill

To: Senate Business & Transportation Committee,

Governor and Oregon Legislative Leadership

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- Please Post. Letters and Signatures are attached.

Date: February 13, 2016

To: House and Senate Leadership, Speaker of the House Rep. Tina Kotek

Senate President Peter Courtney and Governor Kate Brown

We the undersigned request that you act now to assist in achieving an affirmative vote on the

## Clean Energy / Coal Transition Bill HB 4036A

The Clean Electricity & Coal Transition Plan (HB 4036) will transition Oregon off of coal-fired power while doubling the state's commitment to new renewable energy to 50%. Oregon can remain a national leader in stopping climate change and growing our local, clean energy economy by removing coal from our electricity.

Environmental and consumer advocates, along with utilities, created this plan and agree it will achieve climate protection goals with minimal impact on ratepayers and continued reliability of electricity.

## OREGON'S COAL PROBLEM

One-third of electricity in Oregon comes from coal burning plants. Coal puts customers at risk:

- The cost of risky coal power is rising for ratepayers
- All coal money is invested out of state
- Oregon bears the health and climate impacts from pollution

### THE POLICY

- Sets 2030 as deadline to transition away from coal use in Oregon's electricity mix.
- Doubles Oregon's Renewable Portfolio Standard to 50% by 2040, bringing more clean energy jobs and investment to our state.
- Increases access to solar power for a majority of Oregonians who cannot install solar where they
  live. The community solar choice program created guarantees 15% of the power is available to
  low-income people and families.
- Supports electric vehicle infrastructure and reduces pollution from cars.

#### CLEAN ENERGY, GOOD JOBS, HEALTHY COMMUNITIES.

The Clean Electricity & Coal Transition Plan will help relieve families and business from the climate and public health threats of coal. Instead of buying coal from out-of-state plants, Oregon's utility companies will invest in clean energy sources that help create new jobs and support local economies. A transition to clean energy provides a clear path forward for Oregon to prosper in a world where there are limits on carbon and other dangerous pollutants from coal plants. From OEC Fact Sheet

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