From: To: SADHIR Ruchi * GOV ACKERMAN Susan LEONARD Kristen * GOV

Cc: Subject:

Re: Media outreach today

Date:

Wednesday, January 6, 2016 12:03:47 PM

Please hold off on providing comment until we discuss further here. Thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 6, 2016, at 11:47 AM, ACKERMAN Susan < susan.ackerman@state.or.us wrote:

Kristen and Ruchi, attached is a media release the utilities have put out about the energy legislation we've been talking about. We may get called by reporters about the bill. We will say the following:

- 1. We (the OPUC) were shut out of the discussions. We think also industrial customers, consumer owned utilities, independent power producers, and community solar advocates were shut out. We believe that no one on the group that crafted the bill represented the public interest in the discussion.
- 2. If carbon reduction is the goal of this legislation, this agreement is not the most efficient or effective way to achieve a goal of carbon reduction.
- 3. Regarding the content of the bill, the legislation requires us to reverse or revisit Commission decisions made through the OPUC's thorough and open public processes. It shifts risk from utility shareholders to consumers, it tends to protect the utilities from current competitive pressures, and the "coal-to-clean" aspect of the bill will have little to no carbon reduction benefit while driving up customer rates.
- 4. We intend to hold a public meeting later in January to ask the utilities to describe the plan and its impacts on customers.

Please advise if you have issues with the content of these comments.

Susan Ackerman

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From: Jay Tinker [mailto:Jay.Tinker@pgn.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 6, 2016 8:06 AM

To: ACKERMAN Susan; BLOOM Stephen; SAVAGE John F., EISDORFER Jason

Cc: Steven Corson; HUNTER Karla **Subject:** Media outreach today

Commissioners/Jason: I wanted to let you know that later this morning there will be media outreach and the attached document will be provided to the media.

From the Desk of Serator Ted Ferriot