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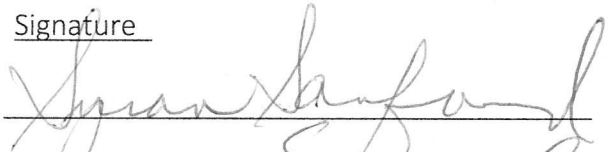
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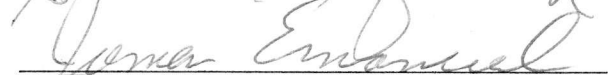
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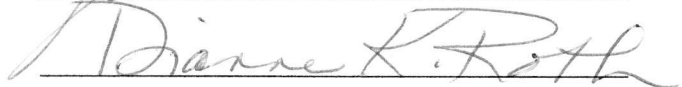
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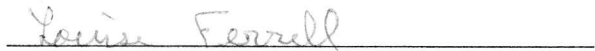
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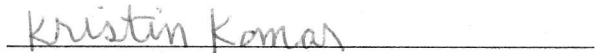
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From: Susan Christie Chair Climate Justice Committee
other Members & Friends of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis

Date: February 26, 2017

Re: Clean Energy Job Bill SB 557 and House Bill 2135

To: E&NR Senate Committee and E & E House Committee

[Senator Michael Dembrow](#)

[Senator Alan Olsen](#)

[Senator Herman Baertschiger Jr.](#)

[Senator Floyd Prozanski](#)

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Speaker of the House Rep. Tina Kotek

Senate President Peter Courtney

Governor Kate Brown

Cc: Rev Jill McAllister

- See Letter and Signatures Attached



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Date: February 27, 2017

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 Jobs Bill SB 557 (Cap and Trade) and SB 748 (Cap and Fee)

Clean Energy Jobs Campaign Principles – see RenewOregon.org

The majority of Oregonians want to see smart, practical action to slow climate change and speed the transition to clean energy and greater energy efficiency in our state. The changes in climate that scientists have long predicted are now becoming clear: Record heat, reduced water supply, increases in fires, worsening air quality, new insect infestations – all this threatens our quality of life, our health, and our businesses and jobs.

This year, our legislators have a chance to take significant action on climate pollution while also boosting our local economies. **We support legislation that would help reduce the pollution that is the primary cause of climate change.** Such legislation can also create thousands of jobs by encouraging investment in cleaner energy sources, greater energy efficiency, and upgrading rural infrastructure threatened by a changing climate. In addition, it should keep more of the money we spend on energy working for us inside our state. A Clean Energy Jobs bill would achieve these goals in a way that reduces the impact on Oregon residents while having the largest polluters do their fair share. **As our elected leaders pursue legislation to cap and price climate pollution, the following standards must be met: Set a declining limit or ‘cap’ on Oregon’s climate pollution based on the best available science.**

The cap should decline steadily, allowing less pollution every year, with interim targets that approach zero by 2050. Oregon must do its share in reducing climate pollution to limit the ongoing increase in Earth’s average temperature to less than 2 degrees C (3.6 F).

All major polluters must reduce pollution and pay their fair share. No communities should be left with an unfair burden of pollution.

The price that utilities, fossil fuel companies, and the largest polluters pay when they pollute should be relatively stable and be adjusted over time to ensure that the cap is not exceeded. Companies that face direct out-of-state competition should be able to apply for free or subsidized pollution permits to level the playing field.

Proceeds must be reinvested into the communities most in need, to help transition to clean energy and prepare for a changing climate. Proceeds should create opportunities for communities that are most affected by climate change and energy costs, including low-income, rural, communities of color, and impacted workers. Proceeds must go to these Oregonians, and technical assistance should be provided to county governments, municipalities, nonprofits and small businesses so that they can apply these funds to appropriate projects.

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