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To: HEE Exhibits
Subject: SB 990 Small Nuclear Plants in Oregon

Dear HEE,

Re: SB 990

What is going on with this bill? Did not the voters of Oregon speak on the issue of new nuclear plants in their state? I hear there is new technology that is environmentally benign. (see The Oregonian Letters, May 24, 2017). Remember tritium reactors, breeder reactors, even cold fusion? Please, let the new technology be proven in a controlled, laboratory setting before we go off chasing Dept of Energy dollars and court disaster with nuclear power. Remember Fukushima? Nothing has changed since it started in 2011. It is an ongoing, out of control, disaster that the nuclear experts still, today, cannot get a handle on. Such is the nature of nuclear energy. Don't set us up for something similar.

As often happens, laws or regulations are passed to address one issue, in this case "safe" nuclear energy, only to be applied to something quite different. Nuclear technology has quite a hole of public distrust to dig itself out of. Let's wait until we can be really sure it is safe before we go with it again. I entertain the possibility that we must wait a long time, possibly forever.

Sincerely,

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