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Rep. Paul Holvey, Chair
House Committee on Business and Labor
Oregon House of Representatives
900 Court St. NE, Salem H-277, Oregon 97301
Rep.PaulHolvey@oregonlegislature.gov

Dear Chair Holvey:

The Northwest & Intermountain Power Producers Coalition (NIPPC) writes in support of HB 4148.

Our coalition represents the developers and operators of independently owned power plants, which use all types of technology. NIPPC and its members pay close attention to the Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE). We are conversant with the different legislative approaches proposed to oversee the agency.

It is NIPPC's considered opinion that the Oregon Energy Board, which is proposed in HB 4148, provides the appropriate measure of oversight for ODOE. The Oregon Energy Board will assure the corrections ODOE has recently made will be maintained and that the agency adds value to Oregonians.

NIPPC appreciates you and your committee's attentiveness to the many changes affecting the power sector. The enactment of HB 4148 will be a meaningful step in assuring Oregon is as well prepared for change as possible.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if NIPPC can provide any assistance in your deliberations.

Sincerely,

Robert Kahn, Executive Director