From: William Sweat To: SENR Exhibits

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Dear Members of The Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee,

Thank you for this opportunity to write you with my support for SB 1507. My wife and I own Winderlea Vineyard and Winery in Dundee, OR. From the beginning, good stewardship has been a core value for us. Our vineyard has been LIVE (Low Input Viticulture and Enology) certified since 2007, we have farmed Organic since 2008 and Biodynamic since 2009 and we were certified for both in 2015. Our tasting room was designed by a LEED accredited local architect with many passive energy saving features as well as with solar power and hot water. Our tractors use biodiesel. We are also a certified B Corp, extending our stewardship to include not just our environmental practices, but all our business practices. Our home also employs solar power.

All of this is just to say that we have invested our own money in order to minimize our environmental impact. We feel it is important to maintain as small a footprint on this land as we can. Now we have the opportunity with this bill to magnify the efforts of individual businesses and citizens by enabling statewide programs to reduce our carbon footprint, create incentives for business to take further steps, to create clean energy jobs, and to make Oregon a healthier place for our employees and their families to live and work. As a business owner and an Oregon resident, I support SB 1507 and strongly encourage you to support it as well.

Sincerely,

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