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To: [SENR Exhibits](#)
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Dear Speaker Kotek, Senator Frederick, and all Oregon legislators,

I am writing to express my support of the Clean Energy Jobs Bill, SB 1507 and HB4001.

The challenges of climate change hit home to me because I got married 1.5 years ago and would love to start a family, but am very torn about whether I should bring children into a world that will be ravaged by climate impacts if we don't do something about it today. I live 1 block from Chief Joseph Elementary and I see my neighbors' and other's children coming and going everyday, and I wonder what kind of world they will inherit if we don't start taking meaningful action now.

The goals of this legislation are extremely important to me: 80% reduction against 1990 levels by 2050. To ensure a livable world for our children, we **must act now. This cannot wait.**

I have spent the last 2 years working to pass federal legislation for a carbon price. But I believe states will lead the way. Oregon cannot defer this chance to 2019, and the benefits in this bill in terms of creating jobs and protecting vulnerable communities make it a win-win for all Oregon's residents.

Taking care of our vulnerable communities is important to me, and therefore I request these specific improvements to the bill:

1) Decision-making structure that is transparent, equitable, and accountable. Please ensure the Environmental Justice Task Force (EJTF) and Environment Justice, equity and Sovereign Nation representatives play significant, meaningful role in development, implementation and oversight of the program, including the Program Advisory Committee. Necessary funding for the EJTF may come from program proceeds, governor or general fund budget, or other sources.

2) Allowances. Do not allow free allowances for utilities and industry. Any more allowances provided will significantly impact projected proceeds for climate solutions and impacted communities.

3) Offsets. Oregon only offsets with a limit of 2%. Please ensure benefit accrues to Oregon communities and does no harm globally.

Thank you,
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