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To: Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Chair Senator Michael Dembrow

House Committee on Energy and Environment

Chair Representative Ken Helm

Re: Testimony for HB4001 and SB1507 – Clean Energy Jobs Bill

Public Hearing scheduled 2/7/2018

Email: senator Dembrow and Representative Helm::

As a longtime Oregon resident, parent and voter, I am submitting testimony supportive of passage of Clean Energy Jobs legislation currently under consideration. I am a retired Natural Resource Specialist who worked for the State of Oregon. I am deeply grateful for being employed in work to monitor the environment and protect the health and welfare of our citizens.

The Clean Energy Jobs bill can make the essential difference in our future success or failure to adapt to a rhetorical and real changing climate in Oregon, and we can set a leadership example with other states in stepping up to the critical need for change at this moment. The bill can serve to both improve our economy and greatly reduce climate pollution.

Let's carry forward the tremendous amount of research preparation and negotiation to meet this urgent challenge by taking up this legislation for passage, and showing that we have the courage of our convictions to start a new era of positive forward thinking and action that shows we are in step with the needs of our planet. We truly don't have the comfort of waiting until some time in the future to address this need. We have got to stop supporting the most harmful industries that block our way to change when that change is so necessary.

I applaud the work you are doing, and I call on you to go forward with this legislation now, not wait until the unlikely moment when you are supported by all possible players.

Thank you for moving these bills forward.

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