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 SENR Exhibits

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Chair Dembrow and Members of the Senate Interim Committee on Environment and Natural Resources,

My name is Belinda Coalman and I am a mother, grandmother, small farm owner, and lifetime rural Oregonian. I am writing concerning LC19. I watched the hearing on January, 13, and am very concerned how this type of legislation will affect my family, community, and Oregonians as a whole. I am very concerned about the increased costs of fuel for my personal automobile. I regularly transport several of my grandchildren to school, and an electric car is not feasible for me as they are too small. I am also concerned for mine/community's electric costs. I live in the area where the Wauna Paper Mill is. They rely on power from our local PUD, and sell back power that is generated from the steam they produce, which keeps our costs down. I know under this current proposal that mill will probably move on. As a result, our PUD would either be put out of business, or hike the rates so high, many won't be able to afford them. As with any taxes at the top on businesses, the costs always trickle down to the consumer. Under LC19 I expect all goods that we use every day to increase. Between the extra costs on fuel, power, and goods, I just don't know how regular Oregonians will survive. It will greatly reduce most people's way of life to a bare minimum existence. I don't understand your attachment of the emergency clause to LC19, since there is no emergency, and I believe that was not the intent of it's use. For these reasons, I ask you not to bring LC19 forward. If you still intend to bring this legislation forward, I ask that you bring it to a vote of the citizens of Oregon.

Thank You,

Belinda A Coalman