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Dear Senate Committee Environment and Natural Resources,

Please consider this testimony in favor of strong climate action in 2020.

We are in a climate crisis that demands strong climate action. Oregon's oceans are becoming more acidic and wildfires are growing more frequent and massive.

The current bill is a good framework but it isn't strong enough. Senate Bill 1530 (formerly Legislative Concept 19) is currently too weak to meet the state's goals for reducing harmful pollution and provides too many giveaways to the fossil fuel industry, allowing these corporations to continue polluting as usual, harming our health and the climate. Ultimately, this proposal is too weak to meet the demands of the climate crisis.

SB 1530 needs to be stronger to reduce pollution from fossil fuel natural gas and increase investments for the clean economy. It needs to be stronger to reduce greenhouse gases from oil companies all across the state. And investments into communities most affected by climate change -- rural, low-income, Tribes and communities of color -- need to be guaranteed.

Just one more data point to add to thousands that show that our planet is in trouble.

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There will be costs associated with decreasing the amount of pollution created by the use of fossil fuels, and that is what the industry is fighting, i.e. bottom line profits. However, consider the costs of not acting to decrease pollution, when we could have. Those costs, world wide, will dwarf the loss of profits by the fossil fuel industry. As individuals we can do what we can, BUT, government action is key to success and that is your job.

Please build upon the work you have started with SB 1530 by making the bill stronger and pass bold climate legislation in 2020.

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