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I am a resident of Portland but have spent my career working across the state in both rural and urban communities. I urge the committee to create and pass a strong greenhouse gas emissions reduction program that will benefit ALL of Oregon. Please **set a more ambitious goal** than 80% below 1990 levels and be wary of industry claims that pricing mechanisms will cause untenable rate increases. Our neighbor to the south, California, did not cave to such industry pressure and is outpacing us in reducing emissions and improving quality of life while not having a detrimental impact on rates. California faces perhaps more dire conditions than Oregon (think of Australia and potentially Oregon's future); they are strong enough to be more ambitious to reduce climate harm to their state. Please follow their lead as you craft LC19.

Sincerely,
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