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To: <u>SENR Exhibits</u>

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Dear Oregon Senators,

I support climate legislation for Oregon. Scientists have said emissions must be reduced by half in the next decade to reach the 1.5-degree target. The opposite is happening. Global emissions continued to rise, hitting a record high in 2019, according to research published in December.

Geta Thunberg summed it up well at Davos. "Our house is still on fire." We can't keep waiting for someone else to do something.

The cost of inaction is so much higher than the cost of tackling this. The health damages linked to 2012 wildfire smoke in Oregon totaled \$2.1 billion (2018 dollars). Look at the fires in Australia. Doesn't that terrify you?

I retired to the Portland area after living in Central Washington state. Severe wildfires with poor air quality are becoming far too common in the entire Northwest. Oregon must act and must act now.

Sincerely,

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