

January 27, 2020

Senate Interim Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Oregon State Legislature 900 Court St. NE Salem, Oregon 97301

Re: Support for Oregon Greenhouse Gas Initiative / Senate Bill 1530

Chair Dembrow, Vice Chair Olson, and members of the committee:

PGE is committed to helping Oregon achieve a clean energy future. As the largest electricity supplier in the state serving almost half of Oregon's population, we are pleased support SB 1530 because it provides for a cost-effective transition to a clean electricity system while keeping the system affordable and reliable.

As designed, SB 1530 will reduce greenhouse gas emissions across Oregon's economy and do so through a flexible, cost-effective compliance mechanism. The program includes strong accountability and oversight, and provides transitional assistance for many sectors of Oregon's economy while maintaining those emissions under the cap.

Building on years of analysis, public hearings, work groups, legislative discussion, and stakeholder feedback, Legislators and the Governor have worked through the fall to address concerns and build a policy that recognizes the economic and social diversity of our state. We ask that you support and enact SB 1530 this legislative session.

We appreciate the opportunity to offer our support and welcome any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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