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House Energy and Environment Committee

**HB 2772**

Mr. Chair and Members of the Committee:

For the record, I am Lana Butterfield, representing the Pacific Propane Gas Association (PPGA). We have worked with Rep. McLain and Metro on an exemption for all but the smallest propane cylinders, and we appreciate their help.

The propane industry has long recycled its propane cylinders, and we already have a program in place. Any dealer will take a cylinder, and there are also propane cylinder exchange sites at many major stores (Lowe's, Home Depot, Ace Hardware, Fred Meyer, etc.). Propane is used extensively in rural Oregon, so this service is available throughout Oregon. California has a similar program, and it exempts propane cylinders.

This industry recycling program has been working well, so we don't need to be included in this new legislation.

Thank you for your consideration.

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