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To whom it may concern,

This is a letter in support of HB 2618, which would create a rebate for rooftop solar in Oregon. Since the departure of the residential solar RETC, Sunlight Solar has seen it's residential solar annual projects steadily decline.

What I have seen during my 8 years in the industry is a genuine passion and professional pride among the solar industry workforce, both within Sunlight Solar and other companies around the state.

The reinstatement of a residential rebate would help keep and create more family wage careers in a field that is growing both nationally and internationally. In order to keep this young and talented workforce in Oregon, I think there needs to be incentives once again that will make solar financially accessible to more Oregonians. This will help place Oregon back in the top 10 states for solar energy and keep these jobs in Oregon!

It will also help Oregon meet it's statewide goals for more renewable energy, which the Legislature and Governor has mad a top priority.

Please consider supporting HB 2618.

Thank you for your consideration,

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