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Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Dear Senator Dembrow and Committee members,

As you consider SB 508 in your committee I ask you to educate yourselves on how truly unreliable some of the "Green Energies" are. I am attaching a link, from wind watch, which I found educational. I had no idea how the cold was effecting wind turbines in other parts of our country.

My name is Suni Danforth and I live in Milton Freewater. Today I drove to Tri-Cities for a doctors appointment. As I passed a hotel in Walla Walla just off Myra Rd, I saw the solar panels for the hotel, which are close to the ground and not on the roof of the hotel. They were covered with about 4 inches of snow. This is the first time I've witnessed solar panels covered with snow, it has not snowed for 4 days, which told me they are not producing electricity and have not produced electricity for several days if not weeks as we have had snow on the ground for weeks. Currently I have 18 inches in my front yard and we are to receive more snow this coming Wednesday.

I also saw the wind turbines near Milton Freewater and near Wallula Gap not turning. When we have high pressure there is no wind. No wind means no wind energy.

We are having very cold weather, as I write this the temperature is 16 degrees and I am happy to have heat in my home which takes electricity and in my case natural gas as well. We need reliable sources of energy.

I tell you this because it relates directly to the link I've attached regarding wind turbines and the cold.

Oregon needs reliable "Green Energy" and there is none more clean, green and reliable than Hydro Electric Power. Hydro Electric power renews every year in the form of rain and snow. It gives the best bang for your buck too! We already have it and it works year round in any weather!!

Please pass SB 508 out of committee for a vote for all of Oregon, so we may have the greenest most reliable energies in our State.

https://www.wind-watch.org/news/2019/03/04/turbine-shutdowns-in-polar-vortex-stoke-midwest-debate/#.XH2HR30t18s.email



Turbine shutdowns in polar vortex stoke Midwest debate

As residents of the Twin Cities awoke on Jan. 29, the first of three straight days of subzero temperatures, abou...

Thank you for your consideration,

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