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Subject: Support for HB2020 from Hillary Kittleson
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Dear Co-chairs Dembrow and Power and members of the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction,

My name is Hillary Kittleson and I reside in Eugene. I'm writing to encourage passage of House Bill 2020, the Clean Energy Jobs bill. This legislation is so important and timely, significantly reducing Oregon's carbon emissions while investing in a robust "clean" economy that would put more Oregonians to work in family wage jobs. It is forward looking and practical, and includes provisions for easing the transition from fossil fuels.

Recent reports from both the federal government and the United Nations underline the urgency of making **major inroads in carbon reduction** over the next few years. This bill, with its declining cap and interim benchmarks, guarantees the reduction of around 2 million tons of pollution every year—the equivalent of taking 425,000 cars off the road!

At the same time, the bill provides an opportunity to **revitalize Oregon's economy** and reduce poverty by investing revenue from the bill to create an estimated 50,000 good-paying 21st century jobs and fund programs to ease the transition to a new economy.

As a former finance director, I am convinced by the economics of the bill. As a grandmother of four, I am beyond convinced of the urgency of addressing climate change. I will not be able to look those young people in the eye if I don't do everything I can to unwind this threat to their futures.

Please put forth a strong bill, keeping interim targets and not expanding exemptions. My grandchildren are depending on you!

Sincerely,
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