

March 8, 2019

Co-Chair Senator Michael Dembrow
Co-Chair Karin Power
Members of the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction

Re: Recommended Amendments for HB 2020

First, we want to congratulate you on the extraordinary effort you have expended in holding public hearings around the state. We very much appreciate your commitment to passing comprehensive climate legislation for Oregon and for all your hard work over the past year. You have developed a strong piece of legislation that we believe can go a long way toward addressing the climate crisis.

We do believe that HB 2020 can be made even more effective and ask that you consider the following amendments:

- Set even tougher targets for the cap: GHG reductions measured against 1990 levels of 20% by 2025, 55% by 2035 and 100% by 2050 (0 in 50!)
- Restore the percentages re investments into the Climate Investment Fund: 50% impacted communities; 20% natural and working lands; 20% statewide; 10% tribes
- Provide a maximum of 90% free allowances for all Energy Intensive, Trade Exposed, EITEs, GHG emitters.
- Restore the Citizen Advisory Committee.
- Limit offset to 4% (and keep half of all environmental benefits in Oregon).
- No exemptions for marine/aviation fuels, HFC's, burning municipal waste.
- Either retain the current EFSC carbon dioxide standard until 2030, or remove free allowances for new emissions related to fossil fuel power plants prior to 2030.
- Require PUC to adopt as its core mission supporting Oregon's transition to a clean energy economy.

Sincerely,

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