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**From:** Karen Ramer <user@votervoice.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 20, 2019 7:45 AM  
**To:** SENR Exhibits  
**Subject:** Vote NO on SB 103 and SB104

Dear Chair Dembrow,

Why are dairy farms being singled out for state over regulation? Many of the dairies that will be directly affected by these new regulations are family dairies that have been in the same families for generations. Why should a dairy have limits put on what size it can be? Those limits are not in place for other Oregon industries. Nor should they be. Do you regulate how big Micron, Nike, Pendleton woolen Mills, or University of Oregon are? NO. How about the Mormon Church in Oregon? Is Fred Meyer? No, they aren't. That is all regulated by supply and demand and what is ecologically sound in this environment. With low dairy product prices and higher input costs dairies must be larger than in the past to survive. This is especially true in states that pass cap and trade legislation that will further increase a dairies energy input costs. The size of a facility or any business has nothing to do with environmental stewardship or animal husbandry practices. That is determined by the philosophy of those owning and operating the business. Does New Jersey do a better job of environmental stewardship than Oregon? They're smaller so they must according to this reasoning. Don't force more dairymen out of business by passing these laws. Don't force more land out of agricultural use by passing these laws. Don't force more of the businesses that rely on agriculture out of business by passing these laws. Vote NO and SUPPORT Oregon's economy and sustained responsible stewardship of the environment.

Sincerely,

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