

March 27, 2019

Representative Ken Helm, Chair and Members  
Committee on Energy and Environment  
Oregon State House of Representatives  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR 97301

RE: Support for HB 2857 to advance renewable development within Oregon

Dear Chair Helm and Members of the Committee:

EVENSOL LLC (EVENSOL) is a Sisters, OR based industry leader in development of landfill gas-to-energy facilities in the United States. EVENSOL was founded to acquire, develop, operate and own Renewable Energy Projects in the Biomethane Sector. As background, the founders of Evensol have over fifty years of combined experience in the design, development, construction, operation and ownership of LFG, cogeneration, and biogas projects. Beginning in 2014, Evensol has acquired four (4) LFG to Electricity projects valued at over \$35 Million, and is in various stages of development of five (5) additional LFG to Renewable Natural Gas (“RNG”) Projects, valued at over \$150 Million. Evensol, together with its affiliate ENERGYneering Solutions, Inc. (“ESI”), is a fully integrated renewable energy project company, with employees dedicated to project development & finance, engineering-design, construction, operations, maintenance and regulatory compliance in the renewable energy sector.

We are selective regarding the markets in which we invest our time and capital. While there are a number of potential renewable energy project opportunities in Oregon, our ultimate decision as to whether or not to pursue those resources (as compared with other states) hinges on a variety of factors, not least of which includes the policy environment. As a resident of Oregon, I have a strong desire to build and operate more renewable energy projects closer to home, thereby providing environmental and financial benefits to the region where I live and work. In order to do so, such projects must be anchored by reliable, long-term power purchase agreements that support capital financing for the project. Unfortunately, Oregon’s current regulatory and policy environments do not support this objective.

I would also respectfully request that specific considerations for landfill gas and digester-sourced biogas be included in HB 2857. Of the many small-scale renewable energy resources available in the state, landfill gas and biogas are the primary renewable fuel sources that support continuous, reliable, base-load power with limited variance in performance due to weather or seasonality. As the Legislature continues to advance Oregon towards its stated RPS goals, landfill gas and biogas projects will play a critical role in providing base load renewable energy for many years to come.

Evensol appreciates your careful consideration of HB 2857. We will be monitoring the Legislature's action on this important bill with great interest.

Respectfully Submitted,  
EVENSOL LLC



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