

Greetings elected representatives. Thank you very much for your service to our government.

I write to you in support of HB3094, which will create a new “incentive” program in support of clean, renewable energy in Oregon and grow Oregon business.

Since the ending the of the RETC program, the solar industry in Oregon has contracted. Solarworld in Hillsboro has closed (sold), and installers across the state are laying off workers. New clean energy production is being slowed, and the tax base created by the good jobs is being diminished. Our business is suffering the same as the industry.

Solar benefits all Oregonians, especially those in the lower income brackets, who pay a disproportionate amount of income for their electrical services.

In my 20 years in the industry in Oregon, the solar industry has been an excellent job creator, new business driver, and statement to the rest of the country that we are a leader in clean energy. Without this incentive program, we are losing our influence and stature as this leader.

We implore you to support HB3094.

Sincerely,

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