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To: <u>SENR Exhibits</u>; <u>Sen Courtney</u>; <u>Rep Clem</u>

Subject: SB 1530 TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF STRONG CLIMATE ACTION

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Hello,

My name is Char, and I live in Salem, OR.

Thank you for your continued work on the critical issue of climate change SB 1530 needs to be stronger to reduce pollution from fossil fuel natural gas and increase investments for the clean economy. It needs to be stronger to reduce greenhouse gases from oil companies all across the state. And investments into communities most affected by climate change -- rural, low-income, Tribes and communities of color -- need to be guaranteed. Oregon's most vulnerable populations need strong climate action. People in poverty have the most to lose under climate change natural disasters and have fewer resources to bounce back. Rural Oregon needs strong climate action. They are on the front lines of climate change. From ranchers in Union County to tree farmers from Clackamas County to farmworkers in the Willamette Valley, there are strong voices from rural Oregon calling for action and their voices shouldn't be ignored. Please build upon the work you have started with SB 1530 by making the bill stronger and pass bold climate legislation in 2020 We are in a climate crisis that demands strong climate action. Oregon's oceans are becoming more acidic and wildfires are growing more frequent and massive.

I hope you will support changes to this bill and support the passage of bold climate action in 2020. We can't wait any longer.

Sincerely, Char, from Salem, Oregon