

The Chemours Company would like to express support for HB 4024. Prohibitions on hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) consistent with the EPA Significant New Alternatives Policy (SNAP) program will give industry the certainty it needs as it continues to invest, plan, and act to transition away from high-GWP (Global Warming Potential) HFCs. We commend Oregon for considering these measures.

Chemours is supportive of similar actions being taken in Many other states including California, Washington, Vermont, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, and Colorado. Chemours welcomes the opportunity to extend this same support to Oregon and offers the following points that exemplify the benefits of this proposal.

The phasedown schedule established by SNAP Rules 20 and 21 represents a cooperative effort whereby EPA established a phasedown framework based on broad stakeholder input. Prohibition dates were established to enable an orderly and predictable transition by industry to alternative technologies. HB 4024 would enable continued progress towards the use of HFC alternatives.

To develop technologies that will enable transition from HFCs to lower-GWP alternatives within the framework of the SNAP phasedown schedule, American companies have invested over one billion dollars in research, development, and new manufacturing facilities located in the United States. These investments are critical to a viable supply of alternative technologies. The measures set forth in HB 4024 will protect these American investments, American jobs and provide much-needed regulatory certainty for the industry to continue the transition. The legislative efforts such as what Oregon is pioneering supports the continued leadership the American industry has on the global stage toward adoption of these American innovated lower-GWP solutions.

In summary, HB 4024 will enable Oregon to encourage progress towards the EPA HFC transition framework, an effort that is already well underway.