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Senate Committee on Energy and Environment
900 Court St. NE, S-411
Salem, Oregon 97301

Re: SB 333 – SUPPORT

Dear Chair Beyer and members of the committee,

Thank you for your consideration of this joint testimony on behalf of Solar Oregon and the Oregon Solar Energy Industries Association (OSEIA) in support of SB 333. Solar Oregon is a nonprofit that has been educating communities across the state on the value of solar energy for over four decades, and OSEIA represents all facets of the solar industry in Oregon.

SB 333 would study and assess pathways for Oregon to meet its critical decarbonization goals by facilitating the production and use of renewable hydrogen.

Renewable hydrogen production and use enable Oregon to reduce curtailment of surplus solar power, and to dispatch renewable energy when it is most needed to support reliability and resiliency. In short, it allows the state to utilize its existing and future solar, wind, and marine energy resources more effectively. This is good for solar consumers, the solar industry, and the wider electric grid. Renewable hydrogen is a viable and scalable solution to reduce reliance on fossil fuels in various hard-to-decarbonize sectors, and represents a tremendous economic development opportunity for Oregon. For these reasons, we ask for your support of SB 333.

Respectfully,

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