

Testimony in support of bill SB 1567

The CEI hub is a disaster waiting to happen, and none of the businesses there, nor the DEQ are ready for it. At a recent DEQ hearing when a DEQ person was saying how Zenith energy is doing great with spill response drills, I asked what about preparedness for the big earthquake? the response was 1. that is an act of god and too big for anyone to prepare for and 2. DEQ has no authority to deal with it. DEQ must be given authority to deal with this disaster in the making. This bill must pass, with amendments to strengthen it.

Do not add amendment 4, which limits it to 3 counties, this is a statewide issue.

Do amend to include language acknowledging the need to transition away from fossil fuels, not spend a lot of money on fossil fuel infrastructure that will make it harder to transition away. This would bring the bill in line with state goals for reducing carbon emissions, thus slowing climate change, because our state is burning up and 116 degrees is hot enough.

Do amend to include provisions to eliminate those fossil fuel companies that provide no real benefit to the state, do not provide fuel for the state and little or no other benefits. It makes no sense for the state to put up with the grave risk these companies pose with no corresponding benefit.

Thanks for recognizing that fossil fuel storage on an earthquake liquefaction zone, that will kill 2 rivers and do great harm to the surrounding areas and the entire state of Oregon, is a really bad idea.

Thank you

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