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Re: HB #HB2396

My name is Temesgen. I lived in the Parkrose area for one year, and things you should know about Parkrose is that parkrose is a good community. I am in activism class where we have been learning about how we have to speak for our community. I think speaking about issues affecting my community is important because we need people to listen and it can solve the problem.

I support HB2396 because I believe in protecting the environment and reducing air pollution. An indirect source of diesel emissions such as trains, ships, and construction equipment can contribute significantly to air pollution. By requiring HB2396 to develop the rules I hope the air quality in my community, and Portland in general, will improve.

The other reason why I support HB2396 is I live in the Parkrose area near the highway and I am always concerned about the environment and how the highway is affecting the air quality in my community. This bill will target sources like highways. Thank you for reading my testimony considering HB2396.