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On Behalf
Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Natural
Resources

Measure: HB5018

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Co-Chair Senator Pham, Co-Chair Senator Dembrow, and members of the
Committee.

For the record, my name is Rosalie McDougall. I live at 6321 SE Reed College Place,
Portland, OR, 97202.

Thanks for the chance to submit this email in support of HB 5018 - to support DEQ's
air budget requesting a Title V fee increase. Oregon DEQ has an obligation to
maintain a fully functioning Title V air permitting program. It now takes over 300
days!!! to process a Title V application, which is not good for business and potentially
puts communities at risk. The Title V program is essential for ensuring the largest
emitters comply with all state federal requirements to protect communities and
provide information to the public. As noted in the Secretary of State audit, the title V
program has had staff deficiencies for years. The proposed increases are the first in
over a decade, and put Oregon's fees in the average for other Region 10 programs.

For these, and other reasons, I strongly urge you to support the HB 5018 and HB
3229.

Thanks for your time,

Rosalie McDougall