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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Energy and Environment

Measure: HB4083

I would strongly urge the legislature to support HB4083. As someone working in the conservation industry, I am aware all too well that coal is not a long term sustainable option for us to rely on, divesting from coal would be a means to become less dependent on the continued operation of coal handling facilities that have shaky long term prospects. Additionally, the numerous health issues that arise from the use of coal are well known, numerous, and our continued support of the coal industry only serves to make us complicit in these harms as we support them with our continued investment. Divesting is important for the future of Oregon and our nation.