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For the record, My name is Mark Rahman, and I work as a Traffic Signal and ITS Engineer with ODOT Region 1, and I am supporting LC2. Every day, I work on managing over 300 traffic signals and safety systems across the Portland metro area. These systems are what keep freight moving, help emergency responders, and ensure families get home safely.

But today, I'm also speaking as an employee who, like many of my colleagues, is facing the uncertainty of potential layoffs. We joined public service because we believe in keeping Oregon safe and connected. Losing skilled worker and staff would not only affect our livelihoods, but it would also mean longer delays on the road, more safety risks, and projects being put on hold.

I respectfully ask the Legislature to prioritize transportation funding and provide stability so ODOT can continue serving the public effectively. Reliable transportation funding isn't just about jobs — it's about protecting lives, keeping Oregon's economy moving, and ensuring the public gets the service they expect. Thank you for the opportunity to testify, and for your leadership on this critical issue.