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Re: SB - 844

1000 Friends of Oregon is a nonprofit, membership organization that works with Oregonians to support livable urban and rural communities, protect family farms and forests, and provide transportation and housing choice. Meeting Oregon's greenhouse gas emission reduction goals is an important factor in all of these areas. For that reason 1000 Friends of Oregon supports SB 844.

SB 844 directs the Public Utilities Commission to establish a voluntary program that will encourage public utilities to invest in projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions. SB 844 is a modest step that Oregon, and Oregonians, must take to meet the state's legislatively-adopted greenhouse gas emission reduction target. Please support SB 844.

Sincerely,

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