

March 17, 2015

Representative Jessica Vega Pederson, Chair House Committee on Energy and Environment Oregon State Capitol Salem, OR 97301

RE: House Bill 2193

Chair Vega Pederson and Members of the Committee,

We write in support of HB 2193. Climate Solutions is a regional non-profit working to accelerate practical and profitable solutions to global warming. HB 2193 will accelerate Oregon's adoption of energy storage technologies.

HB 2193 is a reasonable policy that directs Oregon's utilities to work with the Oregon Public Utility Commission to procure one or more energy storage systems by 2020. We believe energy storage technology can be a key part of our continued transition off of fossil fuels by supporting the integration of more renewable resources and maintaining grid stability. In our view, as we move towards a low carbon future, additional energy storage is an essential component of our electricity system.

We believe HB 2193 is the right direction for Oregon. Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,

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