CLEAN FUELS WORK

VOTE NO ON HB 2281

June 24, 2015

Dear Chair Edwards and members of the Senate Special Committee on Sustainable Transportation,

The undersigned companies stand with the more than 150 businesses and organizations that have endorsed Oregon's Clean Fuels Program and do not want to see it on the bargaining table.

Businesses, large and small, need certainty. Companies want to compete on a level playing field. The oil industry has had an unfair competitive advantage because they don't pay for the pollution from their product and they maintain a vigorously defended monopoly on the market. With the true cost of pollution factored in, businesses can compete and the winners will be Oregon consumers and the local economy.

We also recognize and support a well-maintained transportation system as an essential part of doing business. But the choice between investing in repairing roads and bridges and whether or not Oregon implements the clean fuels program is a false choice.

The Clean Fuels Program is a market-based, technology-neutral solution that guarantees outcomes, but allows the market to decide which fuels will help us reach those goals at the lowest price. Attempting to replace Clean Fuels with temporary subsidies and voluntary goals is a huge step backward for Oregon.

Now is not the time to undercut the market certainty businesses are relying on to expand clean technologies in Oregon. Many of our companies are already planning investments to meet the market demand expected from the Clean Fuels Program. We urge you to stand strong and implement the Clean Fuels Program, and reject this notion that they should be tied: we can support transportation investments and clean fuels.

Thank you for your consideration,

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