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Oregon State Capitol Ways and Means Committee on Natural Resources 900 Court Street NE Room H-178 Salem, Oregon 97301

VIA EMAIL

Re: HB 5002, Department of Agriculture

Dear Committee Members,

BP appreciates the opportunity to provide comment regarding HB 5002 pertaining to the Oregon Department of Agriculture (DOA) for the Ways and Means Committee's consideration.

BP supplies transportation fuels into Oregon and regularly interacts with DOA's Weights and Measures (W&M) program regarding fuel specifications, quality, and regulations.

BP would like to express its appreciation for the professionalism of the W&M program in its recent implementation of new regulations regarding product transfer documents related to compliance with Oregon's five percent biofuel mandate. BP worked closely with Mr. Steven Harrington, W&M Program Director, to understand the intent of the regulation and to implement modifications to compliance that achieve the intent while recognizing the evolving biofuels market. We appreciated that W&M thoughtfully considered BP's input in rulemaking and supported flexibility in allowing the regulated parties to use biodiesel and biomass-based diesel separately or together to fulfill the mandate.

More recently, we have appreciated the W&M program's continued professional approach in its solicitation of industry input into DOA's proposed amendments to the Oregon motor fuel regulations, which is an important part of ensuring that the regulatory changes do not create unintended consequences to Oregon consumers or regulated entities.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment. If you have any questions, I can be reached by email at <u>Beverly.Michels@bp.com</u>, or by telephone at 713-909-8923.

Sincerely, *Beverly Michels* Fuels Regulatory Expert Technologist BP – Global Fuels Technology