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Senator Roger Beyer
Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Re: SB 451

I am writing as a concerned local citizen urging you to not pass SB 451 in the interest of genuinely reducing greenhouse gases and moving with greatest integrity and swiftness to get a handle on climate change. The Covanta Marion Incinerator is not really a clean energy producer insofar as it burns a lot of plastic (made from fossil fuel) and emits both greenhouse gases and other toxins into local air. Plastic buried in a modern landfill can stay inert for a very long time which would be much more useful in combating climate change while burning it will contribute to climate change.

I agree that truly clean energy producers such as wind and solar should receive a special designation but I feel strongly that Covanta Marion should not fall into this category if we are serious about doing the best we can in Oregon to do our share to combat climate change.

Though not related directly to this bill I would like to take the opportunity to suggest that a bill incentivizing Oregonians to reduce their waste would be a huge and very wise step toward reducing GHGs and working toward a livable Oregon for future generations. It is cheap, simple and need not diminish our quality of life at all. In fact would likely improve it.

Thank you for your service.
Sincerely,
Sarah Deumling