

March 21, 2019

Ken Helm, Chair  
House Committee on Energy & Environment  
Oregon State Legislature  
900 Court Street, NE  
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Chair Helm, Vice-Chairs Reschke and Schouten, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Dana O'Connor and I am writing to encourage your support of HB 3325.

My family has been farming and ranching on 30,000 plus acres of land in the Klamath Basin for 80 years. We have installed more commercial agricultural solar than anyone else that we know of in the Klamath Basin, because we appreciate the benefits provided by solar projects on our ranch. In the past, we worked with the utilities and had a good partnership that served both our business and theirs well. However, that is no longer the case today. We would like to do more solar, but the utility has become so difficult to work with we will probably not proceed with any new projects.

Please support HB 3325 so that these projects are more viable for us and for other farmers and ranchers across Oregon.

Sincerely,

Dana O'Connor  
O'Connor Livestock CO  
Porterfield Ranch LLC