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RE: Equal Treatment Under House Bill 3427 - Agricultural Organizations

We are in receipt of the letter from Eric Groves regarding the potential impact of HB 3427 on family owned companies engaged in agricultural processing and marketing. We are supportive of Mr. Groves' concerns and urge you to address any inequities between business entities before passage of HB 3427.

Our company, Denfeld Packing Inc., is family owned and operated. Our top priority is maximizing value for our growers' hard-earned crop, grown on farms located up and down the Willamette Valley. HB 3427 places a devastating disadvantage for Oregon family-owned processors such as ourselves, and more importantly, our growers and their families.

We urge you to review Mr. Groves' comments and make the appropriate changes to the final draft of HB 3427. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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