Good Morning,

My name is Kristy Ives, from Oregon City. My husband and myself own a small business, Nate's Logging, LLC, which has been in business for 2 years now (followed by our first business which was open for 2.5 years prior) and we are still trying to grow our business from ground up using old equipment that is all we can afford at this time. We had one failing business due to all the Wild Fires a few years back and had to start all over again and it has been tough.

We are in the middle class where we still live paycheck to paycheck but we pay our taxes, bills, and have a roof over our heads and food in our bellies. This bill will knock us into the poverty level forcing us to upgrade with money we don't currently have to upgrade with. It will force us to shut our doors completely which will in turn flood the jobs market with how many others like us will be in the same boat.

Cap and Trade, in the current bill written, will destroy Rural Oregonians and in the end cause more damage than good. We pay our taxes to this state, WE DESERVE TO PLACE OUR VOTE! I urge the House and the Senate to consider the middle guy when making your decision on this bill. The majority of Oregon are against this bill and our vote in November WILL reflect the vote YOU choose to make on this crippling bill. This Short Session is NOT where you throw in a HUGE Bill like this to push it through before having ALL the facts and understanding it in its entirety! Thank you.

Kristy Ives

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