From: Neil Kelly Co.

To: <u>senr.exhibits@oregonlegislature.gov</u> Re: Neil Kelly Co. Supports SB 1530 Date: 2/8/2020

Neil Kelly Co. is in support of Senate Bill 1530 to establish a cap on greenhouse gas emissions and to provide investments into markets that will set us on the path to achieving our statewide carbon reduction goals. We are seeing the results of a changing climate in our communities, and are working to do our part to adapt to and mitigate further climate impacts.

Climate change has already begun affecting the way that we do business. Our crews now have cooling vests to allow them to continue to work in the high summer heat. We have also had to end shifts early due to the concentration of wildfire smoke in the Willamette Valley.

We take the threat of climate change extremely seriously and are currently taking our own actions to reduce our operational carbon footprint. We are in the process of a major retrofit of our existing headquarters which includes a conversion to high-efficiency electric heating and cooling systems, lighting upgrades, adding 5 more EV chargers that will be free for employee and customer use, and installing a 30kW solar array. We are also implementing business systems that have substantially reduced the number of trips taken between our office and jobsites.

Tom Kelly

President

Neil Kelly Company

Submitted for Tom Kelly by Ben Rousseau, Business Systems Analyst, Neil Kelly Company.



**BEN ROUSSEAU** Business Systems Analyst

**Neil Kelly Company** 804 N. Alberta Street Portland, OR 97217