

Dear Chair Marsh and Members of the Energy and Environment Committee --

I appreciate and support the Committee's efforts to develop a carefully crafted, science-based, and equity-oriented 100% Clean Energy Bill, i.e. HB 2021 with key amendments from a workgroup of a wide range of interests. This bill is urgently needed - to help Oregon develop its many opportunities for renewable power and the associated economic growth, to protect the health of our population by reducing damaging greenhouse gas emissions in the electricity sector, and to do our share to protect the Earth's climate. And, this bill should spread the benefits of job creation beyond urban centers to include rural parts of the state with provisions for significant in-state project development, and should make sure previously disproportionately negatively affected communities are prioritized for the benefits of emissions reductions and related benefits.

Thank you for your hard work on this bill. Please continue to advance it.

Thank you for all your work and efforts.