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Chair Pam Marsh
House Climate, Environment, and Environment Committee
900 Court St. NE
Salem, OR 97301

Re: Support for HB 3161

Dear Chair Marsh, Vice Chairs, and members of the committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 3161. This bill will streamline reporting requirements for the Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) and remove duplicative processes at the OPUC, saving all stakeholders both time and resources.

PGE is a fully integrated electric utility that serves approximately 920,000 customers with a service area population of 2 million Oregonians in six counties and 51 incorporated cities. As Oregonians, we share the urgent need to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and deliver to our customers a clean energy future. With ambitious state climate legislation and our own company climate goals, we are obligated to reduce GHG emissions from the power served to customers by at least 80% by 2030 and to achieve zero GHG emissions by 2040. As we implement these goals, we are laser-focused on keeping electricity reliable and affordable for all customers.

Utilities like PGE are required to file plans with the OPUC every 2 years to demonstrate how we plan to comply with the RPS, which requires that at least 50% of the electricity used to serve Oregon customers be from qualifying renewable energy by 2040. With the passage of HB 2021 (2021), ORS 469A.415 requires PGE to file a Clean Energy Plan (CEP), which will be the roadmap for how we intend to meet the emissions targets required by HB 2021. The CEP must be based on or incorporated into our Integrated Resources Plan (IRP), which is the utility's planning document used to determine a preferred portfolio of resources and near-term actions that support our ability to meet forecast customer needs and policy objectives. The CEP/IRP necessarily includes the plans for qualifying renewable energy sources that will satisfy RPS targets.

HB 3161 is a commonsense approach to reporting and allow utilities and other regulated entities to use our CEP/IRP to demonstrate our plan to meet both the RPS and our emissions targets from HB 2021. We encourage the passage of HB 3161. Please reach out should we be able to answer any additional questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sania Radcliffe'.

Sania Radcliffe
Director of Government Affairs and Environmental Policy