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On Behalf Of: Oregon PeaceWorks  
Committee: Senate Committee On Energy and Environment  
Measure: SB488

Chair Sollman and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of SB 488.

We depend on you, as elected officials, to protect us from the many environmental insults some corporations are bent on visiting upon us.

Covanta is one such corporation. It's bad enough that this giant producer of greenhouse gases is allowed to continue operation at all, but to continue to allow it to import medical waste from both inside and outside Oregon is folly. Because it is not classified as a medical waste incinerator, it is free to exceed federal emission limits for toxic chemicals like lead, mercury and cadmium. This should not be permitted and SB 488 is the vehicle by which we can stop it.

Please vote YES on SB 488.