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I strongly urge support for SB 488. There is no reason citizens of Oregon should be subjected to increased threats to their health related to the air pollution from trash incineration. I practiced as a Registered Nurse for many years in the state of MD. Baltimore is the home of both a general waste incinerator as well as a medical waster incinerator. Children in the area have some of the highest rates of asthma in the country. There are many other health problems exacerbated by the elements released into the air by trash incineration. Please act to create more regulation on the Covanta trash incinerator in Marion. It does not make sense to allow a situation to exist that will encourage more and more medical waste to be transported to Oregon.