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HB 3152 is an important step in protecting consumers from rate hikes from gas utilities and push them towards coming into line with Oregon's Climate goals, if possible. Privately owned investor utilities must make future financial risks the responsibility of the investors who have benefitted from past investments. It can't be both ways, receiving all the profits and none of the risks. This is a first step towards the work that must be done by the PUC in changing the line allowances support given to the gas industry. This financial support currently creates incentives to continually expand a system that will in the near future be non-viable in the face of Climate Change. Currently consumers are in the financial cross hairs of the gas industry. This must change. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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