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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Semiconductors

Measure: SB4

Co Chairs Sollman and Bynum and Committee Members,

For the Record my name is Janice Flegel.

There should never be Super Siting Powers given to the Governor for private industry. Every business should follow the same land use laws. The state should not be choosing winners and losers.

While different regions of the State have varied levels of non-farm development a standard definition of agricultural land under Goal 3 is key to maintaining the agricultural land base we need in Oregon. As a young girl I would travel to Hillsboro, OR to visit my Uncle and Aunt; there was a beautiful wheat field where we turned off Hwy 26 now it is covered with buildings. The Strawberry field by Gresham where we picked strawberries is now a Safeway store, parking lot and fueling station. These are sad losses just because of Urban Spral. We need to protect the farm ground we have today for the future.

Remember, once farmland is paved over there will no longer be food or fiber produced there. I have seen it in the past and hope not to see it again.

I ask you to Oppose SB 4