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On Behalf
Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Natural
Resources

Measure: HB5018

Thank you for the opportunity to testify today in support of HB 5018, specifically
DEQ's

air budget requesting a Title V fee increase.

? Oregon DEQ has an obligation to maintain a fully functioning Title V air permitting
program.

? It currently takes over 300 days to process a Title V application, which is not good
for

business and potentially puts communities at risk.

? The Title V program is essential for ensuring the largest emitters comply with all
state

and federal requirements to protect communities and provide information to the
public.

? As noted in the Secretary of State audit, the Title V program has had staff
deficiencies

for years

? The proposed increases are the first in over a decade, and put Oregon's fees in the
average of other Region 10 programs

? For these reasons and other reasons, I strongly urge you to support HB 5018 and
HB 3229. Thank you for your time.