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My name is Dana Estensen, I am a farmer in Marion County, Oregon, and I support Oregon House Bill 3119 (HB 3119) which delays the implementation of the Advanced Clean Trucks (ACT) regulations until January 1, 2027

I support HB 3119 for several reasons:

- There needs to be more affordable and reliable options for farmers and ranchers. The current market for zero-emission heavy-duty vehicles is still developing. This postponement allows agricultural businesses to plan and budget for future investments in new equipment without facing immediate financial strain.
- The substantial infrastructure, such as charging stations, which would be required by the widespread adoption of zero-emission vehicles is severely limited. There is only ONE public charging station in Oregon. Farmers trucking perishable crops need to deliver those crops in a timely manner.
- Farmers and ranchers need efficient and reliable vehicles that meet the demanding needs of their operations. Zero-emission vehicle technology is still evolving for heavy-duty applications.
- Delaying the ACT regulations allows Oregon to align its policies with federal standards, reducing regulatory complexity for farmers and ranchers who operate across state lines. This alignment can prevent potential conflicts and ensure a more straightforward compliance process.
- Supporting HB 3119 offers Oregon farmers and ranchers a more practical timeline to transition to zero-emission vehicles, considering economic, infrastructural, technological, and regulatory factors.

I urge you to support the farmers and ranchers in Oregon by supporting and voting YES on HB 3119. Thank you.