Testimony to Senate Committee on Energy and Environment Support HB 2961 – EV-ready Expansion Bill

February 13, 2025

Dear Chair Sollman, Vice-Chair Brock Smith, and Members of the Committee:

I am writing today in strong support of SB 685, a bill that allow Oregonians to know what is in the gas lines in their houses and businesses.

Hydrogen will have a role in our clean energy future, but heating buildings is not that role. We expect hydrogen to play a role in hard-to-decarbonize sectors, but that does not include heating buildings. Electrification is the path forward for heating homes and businesses as many independent studies have shown. There is no legitimate justification for industry not to inform their customers and the PUC about the content of the fuel in their pipelines.

Sincerely,

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