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Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3628

We would like to urge you to pass HB 3628.

This bill to create an Oregon Electric Transmission Authority to assess how to best upgrade the electricity transmission system at low cost makes sense. We must have an entity to issue transmission revenue bonds and coordinate the implementation of GETs; streamline siting of new power facilities, and help establish public-private partnerships to enable sufficient funding to get the work done as cost effectively and efficiently as possible.

The requirement to submit an annual report to the Legislature to show the OTC's work and progress for the preceding year is important. We must move urgently and intelligently at this time of fast mandatory change in our energy system.

Please pass this important bill to help our grid function into the future. Thank you for the opportunity to comment and for your work on this committee.