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On Behalf Of:

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I have a fully electric house and solar panels and we need all the types of technologies that are available to improve our electrical systems. Grid Enhancement Technologies (GETs) are hardware or software innovations that allow the electricity transmission system to operate more efficiently. GETs are a cost-effective way of increasing the capacity of our existing transmission infrastructure in the near-term while more types of interconnections to the grid are underway. Because utilities earn a return from investments and GETs decrease the need for major investments. GETs are the cheapest and quickest way to create more capacity in our transmission system! Please pass this bill which would require Oregon electric utilities to incorporate GETs into their future planning including Integrated Resource Plans (IRPs), which are reviewed by Oregon's Public Utilities Commission (OPUC).