

February 24, 2025

The Honorable John Lively, Chair House Committee on Climate, Energy & Environment 900 Court St. NE Salem Oregon 97301

RE: HB 3336 Relating to electric transmission systems.

Dear Chair Lively and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to explain why TechNet supports HB 3336 regarding electric transmission.

I am Rose Feliciano, Executive Director of Washington + Northwest for TechNet. TechNet is the national, bipartisan network of technology CEOs and senior executives that promotes the growth of the innovation economy by advocating a targeted policy agenda at the federal and 50-state level. TechNet's diverse membership includes dynamic American businesses ranging from startups to the most iconic companies on the planet and represents over 4.5 million employees and countless customers in the fields of information technology, artificial intelligence, e-commerce, the sharing and gig economies, advanced energy, transportation, cybersecurity, venture capital, and finance. TechNet has offices in Austin, Boston, Chicago, Denver, Harrisburg, Olympia, Sacramento, Silicon Valley, Tallahassee, and Washington, D.C.

TechNet member companies have developed and continue to maintain significant policies and practices that protect the environment, address climate change, and promote sustainable conservation, recycling, and waste reduction. We believe HB 3336 will play a role in the modernization of our transmission system.

Requiring electric company's integrated resource plan to include a separate section that provides a strategic plan for using grid enhancing technologies and how doing so is cost-effective will help Oregon move forward with ensuring reliable, clean energy.

For these reasons, TechNet requests the committee move HB 3336 forward. I appreciate your consideration.

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