



CLEAN WATER. HEALTHY RIVERS.

February 26, 2025

To: Chair Lively, Vice-chairs Gamba and Levy, and members of the committee:

For the record, my name is Kelly Campbell and I am the policy director at Columbia Riverkeeper. Columbia Riverkeeper is a non-profit organization with a mission to restore and protect the water quality of the Columbia River and all life connected to it, from the headwaters to the Pacific Ocean. Columbia Riverkeeper has over 25,000 supporters and members in Oregon. We unite people for clean water, climate action, and healthy communities.

Columbia Riverkeeper supports HB 3336 which would require investor-owned electric utilities to file and carry out a plan to use grid enhancing technologies (GETs). GETs are an effective way to utilize software and hardware solutions to help the electric transmission system operate more efficiently, reducing the need for more transmission lines to be built.

Because of the way they are structured, investor-owned utilities are not incentivized to prioritize cheaper solutions like GETs over larger and more expensive ones. HB 3336 is necessary to ensure that utilities use this kind of common sense, cost-effective solution that will save ratepayers money and support a more robust and reliable energy transmission system.

We urge you to pass HB 3336.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kelly Campbell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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