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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3450

Dear Members of the House Committee on Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans,

I am writing to express my strong support for the critical energy infrastructure (CEI) hub bills: HB 3450, HB 2949, HB 2152, and HB 2151. I live in the Portland metro area and have many friends in the blast zone of the CEI hub. The hub presents a catastrophe waiting to happen. It stores 90% of all liquid fuels used in the state, and with more than 400 above-ground tanks in active use containing more than 350 million gallons of fuels and chemicals, it is very vulnerable to earthquakes. The hub also has trains running through it, making it vulnerable to damage from train derailments. This vulnerability not only presents an immediate risk to public health and safety, but could also lead to major disruptions in the state's ability to carry out key functions without the availability of the fuel that is currently stored in the CEI hub.

For all these reasons, I strongly urge you to support HB 3450, HB 2949, HB 2152, and HB 2151.

Thank you,

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