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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Energy and Environment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB88

Dear Chair Sollman, Vice-Chair Brock Smith, and Members of the Committee,  
My name is Pat Kaczmarek ,and I live in Portland. I am writing in support of SB 88 to make sure that advertising, legal and lobbyist fees come out of company profits, not rate payer pockets.

I support SB 88 because:

- Rates are already so high, and have risen so much in the last couple of years. It is inappropriate that some of my payments may be paying for line items like political lobbying.
- It is completely unethical for a corporation with monopoly status over its customers to use customer fees to then lobby to charge those same customers more.
- When high energy bills force Oregonians to choose between turning their heat on in the winter or paying their rent, that's not resilience. High energy costs make us less resilient and can even turn deadly in climate disasters like heat waves and arctic storms. It's time utility companies stop tacking unnecessary, 'junk costs' onto our already high utility bills.

Thank you in advance for your support of SB 88. We are going n a Climate Emergency. Now is the time to be a climate hero.