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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Energy and Environment

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Senate Energy and Environment Committee:

My name is Mark Puhlman. I belong to the Lake Oswego Sustainability Network. We have a program. "Electrify LO", which promotes using clean energy rather than fossil fuels. Lake Oswego is a leader in electric vehicle use, and local homeowners are switching to heat pumps, induction stoves, electric landscaping equipment, and more. We need additional transmission to meet the state's climate goals and provide clean, renewable energy. We need to connect Eastern Oregon solar and wind farms to homes and businesses in the Valley, allowing citizens to use clean energy to power their electric cars and appliances.

Today, it takes too long to permit new transmission projects, and we are falling behind. We must streamline the process of permitting these essential projects. Please support HB 3681, knowing that it is a critical part of the pathway to a safe future.

Sincerely

Dr. Mark Puhlman DNP

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