



To: Senate Committee On Energy and Environment  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR

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Sub: Testimony in support of HB 3336

Chair Sollman and Vice-chair Brock Smith and members of the committee,

For the record, my name is Eliza Walton. I am the Coalition Director of the Oregon Conservation Network. The Oregon Conservation Network (OCN) is coordinated through the Oregon League of Conservation Voters (OLCV). It is a network of not-for-profit organizations throughout Oregon, united to advocate for pro-conservation legislation and to fight policies that threaten our state's natural legacy. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 3336.

To meet Oregon's 100% clean energy goals in a reliable and cost-effective way, we must tackle the state's transmission bottlenecks. Innovative policy and strategic funding can ensure we meet increasing energy demand without driving up costs.

House Bill 3336, focused on Grid Enhancing Technologies (GETs), offers a practical solution by requiring utilities to adopt proven, cost-effective tools that boost the efficiency, capacity, and reliability of existing transmission infrastructure. GETs include both hardware and software solutions that optimize the performance of the electric grid. Currently, utilities are not obligated to evaluate or incorporate these technologies in their planning process. HB 3336 changes that by directing the Public Utility Commission and utilities to consider and implement GETs where they are cost-effective, helping to unlock much-needed transmission capacity without building new lines.

Thank you for your consideration. I urge your support on HB 3336.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eliza Walton".

Sincerely,  
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