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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB926
Chairman Kroph and members of the Committee

My name is Woody Jackson. I am speaking on behalf of Friends of the Breitenbush Cascades. In September 2020, my home and office were lost in the Santiam Fire.

As president of an all-volunteer nonprofit incorporated in 1988, I want to inform this committee that an electric utility's negligence harmed this organization, providing volunteer services to the Detroit Ranger District for nearly 40 years. Not once has Pacific Corp or its shareholders offered a donation to make this organization whole. We lost all cleanup and trail tools, along with all documentation, as far back as 1986.

We need to explore corporate integrity; however, today, without further delay, this legislation can proceed through the committee so that for-profit corporations understand that they cannot take intransigence lightly, by legal delay.

It has taken a lot of tenacity to keep this organization afloat in the aftermath of this fire. I have had to withdraw cash from my life savings to replace equipment that a responsible corporation could have settled several years ago.

Please send a strong message to Pacific Corp by voting yes on SB 926.

Thank you for this opportunity to speak before your committee.

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