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The Honorable Members of the Oregon State Legislature
Oregon State Capitol
900 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

Subject: Support for Oregon State House Bill 4105

Dear Honorable Legislators,

On behalf of Boise Cascade Company, I am writing to express our strong support for House Bill 4105. As one of Oregon's leading wood products manufacturers, Boise Cascade employs over 600 people in western Oregon. Our employees, their families, and the communities where we operate depend on a sustainable and reliable supply of timber from our state's forests.

State Forest timber is a vital resource for our operations. In northwest Oregon, approximately one-third of our log supply originates from State Forest lands. This supply is integral to maintaining our manufacturing operations, supporting local jobs, and promoting economic stability across the region.

We are aware that anti-forestry advocacy groups are actively flooding legislators' inboxes with misleading claims about HB 4105, incorrectly asserting that this legislation would increase logging or weaken Oregon's environmental protections. These assertions are simply not true. House Bill 4105 does not compromise rigorous environmental safeguards or promote unsustainable harvest levels. Lawmakers need to hear from organizations and individuals who care about facts, responsible forest management, and the long-term health of Oregon's forests and rural communities.

Boise Cascade is committed to environmental stewardship and the sustainable management of Oregon's forests. Our engineered wood products are manufactured using responsibly sourced timber, ensuring that forest resources are renewed for future generations. These products are recognized for their sustainable attributes and play a key role in the state's commitment to climate-smart building.

Sustainably harvested timber and engineered wood products offer significant environmental benefits. Wood products naturally store carbon, helping to mitigate climate change by reducing atmospheric greenhouse gases. Compared to other building materials, wood contributes less to carbon emissions during production and construction, making it a superior choice for environmentally conscious building projects.

We urge your support for HB 4105 to ensure that Oregon's forest sector remains strong, sustainable, and an essential part of the state's strategy to address climate change.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jay Sandmann
Wood Procurement Manager
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