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Senator Anthony Broadman, Chair
Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue
900 Court St. NE
Salem, OR 97301

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Re: Comments in Support of SB 1586

Chair Broadman, Vice Chair McLane, and members of the committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on SB 1586 on behalf of Portland General Electric (PGE). PGE is a fully integrated electric utility that serves over 950,000 customers in seven counties and 51 incorporated cities. We power more than two-thirds of the state's commercial and industrial activity and almost half of the state's population. We are proud to be an Oregon company and Oregon's largest provider of electricity.

PGE appreciates the conversations we've had with the City of Hillsboro sharing important considerations about where electrical infrastructure is placed if this land is developed for high-tech and advanced manufacturing. In recent years, BPA, PGE and the City of Hillsboro have been in discussions over a number of potential options in preparation for future expansions in high tech and advanced manufacturing. It is PGE's intent - in partnership with BPA and the city - to use existing lines, Rights of Way, and transmission corridors to minimize land impacts.

If SB 1586 is enacted and this area is developed, we will be prepared to serve it. Electric infrastructure projects can require multiple state and local approvals, and delays can affect service timelines for new customers and economic development opportunities. We encourage the Legislature to continue to streamline siting and permitting processes for utilities in future legislation.

PGE looks forward to continued partnership with the City of Hillsboro to serve the evolving needs of the region.

Thank you for your consideration,

Greg Alderson
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