



**OREGON TRUCKING ASSOCIATIONS, INC.**

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Oregon Public Utility Commission  
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The Oregon Trucking Associations is a statewide trade association representing Oregon's trucking industry. Currently, the Oregon Trucking Associations has over 600 members comprised of actual trucking companies and suppliers to the industry.

Oregon has established a goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 75%, from 1990 levels, by 2050. The transportation sector currently contributes approximately 34% of the greenhouse gas emissions in Oregon. Of that, heavy trucks are responsible for 16%.

Currently, the technology does not exist that would allow Oregon's trucking industry to meet the state's 2050 goals for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. However, the industry believes that the next step on the pathway to greenhouse gas reduction is to switch to natural gas powered trucks.

Today, natural gas powered trucks are available in the marketplace. However, there are not sufficient fueling stations in Oregon to allow Oregon's trucking companies to buy them. Advice No. 13-10 is one approach to providing the necessary natural gas fueling stations to allow the trucking industry to begin the conversion of its trucks to natural gas power. The members of the Oregon Trucking Associations, therefore, strongly support Advice No. 13-10 and would respectfully ask that the Commission to approve it.

Please, let me know if you have any questions. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

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