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Oregon Water Resources Congress

June 25, 2009

Representative Bob Jenson
Representative Jefferson Smith
Oregon State Capitol
900 Court Street, NE
Salem, OR 97301

Representatives Jenson and Smith:

Today, a letter with a cover sheet dated June 23, 2009 addressed to Mike Carrier came to the attention of our respective associations requesting that Governor Kulongoski veto HB 3369. As we discussed with you in person, we would like to make it perfectly clear that our associations had no knowledge of this letter until today, nor did we give permission to the author of this letter to use the names of our associations. In fact, each of our associations have independently taken a neutral position on HB 3369, with the exception of the Oregon Water Resources Congress (OWRC) and we are collectively disturbed that someone would attempt to use our organization's names without our express permission.

Although all of the associations to this letter except the OWRC have taken a neutral position on HB 3369, each of our organizations have previously expressed our support for the development of a state wide integrated water resources strategy. With population growth and other growing demands on this limited resource our state can ill-afford delaying the development of a nimble and adaptive comprehensive water strategy that recognizes the multiple aspects of beneficial use.

Please contact any of us if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

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cc: Mike Carrier