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May 7, 2013

The Honorable Ron Wyden  
United State Senate  
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Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Jeff Merkley  
United State Senate  
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The Honorable Suzanne Bonamici  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Greg Walden  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Earl Blumenauer  
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The Honorable Peter DeFazio  
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The Honorable Kurt Schrader  
U.S. House of Representatives  
108 Cannon House Office Building  
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Dear Oregon Congressional Delegation,

I am writing on behalf of the Maslow Project of Coos County to urge you to support the Jordan Cove Energy Project.

**The Maslow Project of Coos County** is a resource and advocacy center providing goal-oriented, critical support services to homeless infants, children and teens – aged 0-22 – and their families in Coos County, Oregon. You may not be aware that there are nearly 600 homeless youth enrolled in Coos County schools each year. Maslow Project's mission is to offer every homeless child and youth the probability of success and the opportunity for a better life. We do this by providing resources for basic needs, removing barriers to education and employment, and fostering self-sufficiency in a collaborative and empowering environment.

The unfortunate reality is that inadequate education resources in Coos County limit the number of youth that can be helped. We believe the Jordan Cove Energy Project can change this. While Jordan Cove will be eligible to receive a tax break for locating in the Enterprise Zone – amounting to approximately \$25 million a year – the company plans to dedicate this money to an education fund for Coos County. The fact that this project will create hundreds of new jobs in the area and help attract new business to the region is extraordinary, but its Jordan Cove’s commitment to education that we believe will do the most good.

The Jordan Cove Energy Project may not solve all of our economic needs, but it does offer a significant opportunity for our community to become self-sufficient and reduce our reliance on government handouts, all while helping the youth in Coos County. We hope you will join us in supporting this important project.

Sincerely,

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