

XII. ENERGY

Fuel and Energy **12.300**

1 Production, harvesting, processing and distribution of food should be
2 granted primary priorities for use of fuel and power.
3 Research should be accelerated for the development and
4 conservation of all available sources of energy.
5 We support a renewable economically viable energy policy.
6 Fuel standards need to be economically feasible to agriculture. and
7 timber.
8 Due to the changes of types of fuels and fuel products that are
9 available we do not support mandatory regulations and/or standards for
10 use for equipment, vehicles, storage tanks, etc that were built prior to the
11 enactment of the new regulations or standards. Due to the affects of bio-
12 fuels on existing equipment and storage tanks, the natural resource
13 industry shall be provided an exemption to be able to purchase fuels that
14 are not harmful to the equipment, including bio-fuels.
15 We support the repeal of the state biofuel mandate requirement.
16 (08), (10)

Green Power **12.305**

1 We support the concept of green power. We define green power as
2 any source of power that uses a renewable and safe energy sources
3 such as small and large water facilities, wave or tidal energies, solar, bio-
4 fuels, geothermal and wind.
5 The use of green power must be beneficial to the local area, highly
6 efficient and be environmentally safe. Green power generation must be
7 considered on a regional basis with weighted emphasis on local
8 stakeholder input and economically feasible.
9 We oppose the taxing of energy that is used on the farm or business
10 that has produced it. (08), (10), (11)
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Electrical Costs **12.310**

1 We believe that electric utilities should review and revise pump
2 irrigation rates so as to enable the agriculture industry to raise the
3 necessary food and fiber, which benefits all society. Low cost
4 uninterruptible power should be made available for irrigation pumping.
5 (10)

Electrical Power Generation **12.315**

1 We support establishing a "Net Metering" system. Such a system
2 should provide that when a producer creates electricity on site the
3 producer should only be charged for the power used from the electric

4 company. If enough power is produced that the meter runs backwards
5 the electric company should pay the producer for the excess power at
6 the same rate that the power company charges for electricity, less the
7 delivery cost.

8 We also support "Remote Metering," which would allow an individual
9 or entities to produce power at a remote site to use on the farm or ranch
10 if owned by another person. The cost of the power to the user should be
11 the same rate that the power company charges for electricity, less the
12 delivery cost.

13 A third party similar to the Public Utility Commission should be
14 established to set the fees that a power company could charge for line
15 fees for net metering and remote metering. (08)

16 We also support aggregate metering, which would allow an individual
17 or entities to produce power without being limited to meter location. (10)

18 We believe power companies should be required to allow net
19 metering of multiple meters owned by the same customer rather than
20 strictly per meter. (15)

Electric Utility Deregulation 12.320

1 Prior to changing Oregon laws, we urge the legislature to study the
2 consequences of deregulating the retail electricity industry. (05), (10)

Policy No. 12.330, Power Development, was deleted in 2004

Rights of Power Generation 12.350

1 We support eliminating local ordinances or state law that prohibits
2 the construction and use of power generating facilities using water
3 flowing through or along a person's property. (10), (16).

Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) 12.360

1 While we recognize the value of liquefied natural gas to our industry,
2 we are opposed to the placement of pipelines and terminals that will
3 negatively impact agriculture producers and their management practices
4 in Oregon. (08), (10)

Policy No. 12.360, Life Line Rates, was deleted in 2004

Policy No. 12.370, Telephone Solicitation, was deleted in 2004

Policy No. 12.380, Limited Telephone Access, was deleted in 2007

Bulk Purchase of Fuel for Agricultural Buyers 12.400

1 We support the creation of a law to allow the bulk purchase of fuel to
2 be resold to no more than five additional agricultural buyers for economic
3 benefit. (09), (10)

Testing of Motor Fuel

12.410

- 1 We support the state testing of motor fuel at the final point of sale for
- 2 accurate quantity, quality and contamination. (05), (10)