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In View: Manufacturing

At the Capitol: Carbon Reduction

Action on the carbon reduction bill stalled in recent weeks as the Legislature focused on other priorities. On May 3, the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction resumed work sessions on [HB 2020](#). The committee is now focusing on the [-84 amendments](#): 180 pages of gut-and-stuff amendments that include some improvements, but concerns remain for the manufacturing, natural gas and transportation sectors. A work group comprising legislators and stakeholders came together in recent weeks to try to resolve these issues. According to Joint Committee Co-Chair Michael Dembrow (D-Portland), the bill is close to its final draft and could move out of committee this week, pending completion of fiscal and revenue analyses.



Cleaner Air Oregon

Rulemaking on the two final components of [Cleaner Air Oregon](#) (CAO) will resume next month. DEQ is re-engaging the CAO Rulemaking Advisory Committee (RAC) to provide feedback on the development of the hazard index rule for noncancer risks and an economic impacts regulation. OBI members will be well-represented by several people appointed to the RAC. You will find the committee roster [here](#). If you have suggestions or input regarding this rulemaking, please contact [Sharla Moffett](#), OBI director for energy, environment, natural resources and infrastructure.

Non-road Diesel Engine Survey

Please help by filling out this survey from the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality on non-road diesel engine use. In 2017, OBI and other business organizations negotiated a compromise to the diesel phase-out bill, in part asking that the state complete a survey of existing diesel uses. This survey represents the effort to collect more data on non-road diesel engines. OBI is promoting the [survey](#) in our various weekly and monthly newsletters to assist DEQ in collecting Oregon-specific information on diesel generators and compressors. Without state-specific information, DEQ would utilize EPA's default data that likely overestimate emissions and provide an unrealistic picture of air pollution levels in the

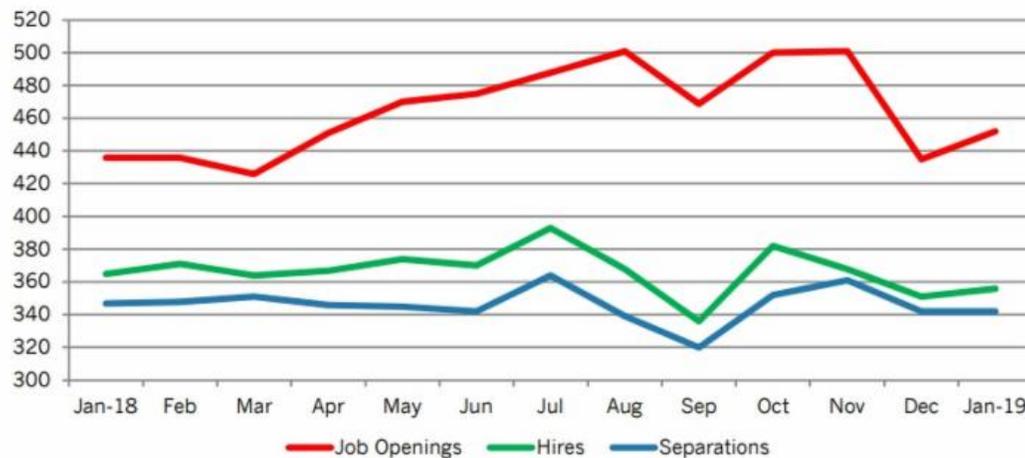
state. This is a blind, confidential survey and will not be used to create an equipment registry. Both businesses who utilize diesel compressors and generators and those who don't should take the survey to ensure the data collected is accurate.

[Click here for the survey](#)

Manufacturing Needs Workers to Fill Jobs

Manufacturing is facing a problem in the form of a blessing. The sector is growing so fast, there are too many jobs and too few qualified workers. The [National Association of Manufacturers](#) released a report analyzing this issue, looking at employment trends, checking sector-by-sector job openings, and identifying states where jobs are located. [Click here](#) to read the full, in-depth report.

Figure 2: Manufacturing Job Openings, Hires and Separations, January 2018 to January 2019
(Seasonally Adjusted, in Thousands of Employees)



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Image from NAM report: A Hiring Engine: A breakdown of the job openings in manufacturing.

OBI Jobs Champion: Sen. Betsy Johnson

If you missed the OBI Annual Meeting last week, we celebrated Sen. Betsy Johnson's focus on jobs and manufacturing by presenting her the first Jobs Champion award. The video about Johnson featured manufacturing as a key component for jobs in Oregon's economic future. Click on the image to watch the video.



Oregon Manufacturers in the News

[Forward to the Future: Intel chief technology officer on the future of tech and how Oregon drives innovation](#)

[Greenbrier acquiring ARI](#)

[Daimler will convert Portland factory to make electric trucks](#)

[Partnerships for multilayer coating of energy storage products](#)



Calendar of Events

Unemployment Insurance Conference

June 27 is your chance to get the scoop on unemployment insurance strategies to improve your bottom line. The National Unemployment Insurance Policy Conference is coming to Portland and offers a unique opportunity for businesses and companies to learn about unemployment tax, benefits and policy to 2020 and beyond.

OBI has a special single-day pass rate for members for June 27. [Click here](#) to learn more.

- What: National Unemployment Insurance Policy Conference
- When: June 26-28
- Where: Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront Hotel
- Event information: www.uwcstrategy.org/conferences/



Resources

Wholesale Fuel Pricing



OBI has partnered with MCP Petroleum to drive down OBI members' fuel cost. OBI is leveraging the collective purchasing power of our membership to get wholesale fuel pricing for our members. In addition to fuel savings, OBI members will have access to a comprehensive fuel management system that will reduce slippage, save valuable employee time and provide accountability and oversight of your company's fuel consumption.

OBI members who use 900 gallons of fuel annually through their company are eligible for this program. Please contact [Jeff DeSantis](#) for more information.

LegalPlus Program

Did you know, by being an OBI member you can get free legal advice? OBI and Innova Legal Advisors

provides members 15 minutes of legal consultation each month through the LegalPlus program. Check it out by [clicking here](#). Or contact Bob Blackmore at Innova Legal Advisors: Phone: 503-479-7175; email: Bob.Blackmore@innovalegaladvisors.com



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