

Oregon Fair Trade Campaign

Candidate Questionnaire for Federal Office

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The Oregon Fair Trade Campaign is a statewide coalition of more than twenty labor, environmental and human rights organizations. Information about our coalition and its mission can be found on our website: www.oregonfairtrade.org.

We are interested in knowing what you think about a variety of issues surrounding the economy and trade. Answers to the following questions will be used to educate voters, highlight trade issues and create voter guides.

Please return your completed questionnaire to Arthur Stamoulis at the Oregon Fair Trade Campaign by emailing orftc@citizenstrade.org or calling (503) 736-9777.

Questions

Do you believe we need to change the way America conducts international trade, or do you believe the past model has worked for our country?

Please circle one: **New way** Same Way

Do you support eliminating the corporate tax breaks that act as an incentive for offshoring?

Please circle one: **Yes** No

Do you support eliminating trade agreement provisions that grant foreign investors greater rights than U.S. residents or businesses?

Please circle one: **Yes** No

Will you work to eliminate the importation of toxic toys into the United States?

Please circle one: **Yes** No

Will you insist that future trade agreements require imported products, including toys and food, to meet U.S. safety standards?

Please circle one: **Yes** No

Do you support renegotiating trade agreements so they will allow us to use “Buy America” and “Buy Local” procurement policies?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

I believe we should protect and promote Buy America provisions, particularly in sensitive industries such as defense manufacturing. As Senator, I have voted for legislation to require the federal government to purchase American-made equipment with certain exceptions. And I have pledged to close the tax loopholes that reward corporations for moving jobs abroad. I have also co-sponsored legislation that will encourage companies to create and keep good-paying jobs in America.

Do you believe NAFTA, overall, has done more to hurt or help the economy of United States?

Please circle one: **Hurt** **Help**

I have said that NAFTA was a mistake – it has not lived up to its promises. As President, I will work with Canada and Mexico to fix the agreement so that it works for America. I have a four-point plan to fix NAFTA that includes dramatically strengthening NAFTA’s labor and environmental provisions; changing NAFTA’s investment provisions that grant special rights to foreign companies; strengthening NAFTA’s enforcement mechanisms; and reviewing NAFTA regularly.

Do you support reviewing and renegotiating NAFTA, the North American Free Trade Agreement?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

Do you support reviewing and renegotiating CAFTA, the Central American Free Trade Agreement?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

If the vote came up today, would you support the Colombia Trade Agreement?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

If the vote came up today, would you support the Panama Trade Agreement?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

If the vote came up today, would you support the South Korea Trade Agreement?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

Will you require new trade agreements to include core ILO Conventions?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

Will you require new trade agreements to include enforceable environmental standards?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

Do you support the enforcement of labor rights and environmental standards by the same mechanisms currently used to enforce commercial provisions in trade agreements?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

Do you support permanently eliminating Fast Track trade promotion authority?

Please Circle One: **Yes** **No**

I oppose fast track for President Bush because he has failed to enforce our trade agreements and because he negotiates trade deals without particular concern for our workers. As President, I will take a timeout from new trade agreements. My priorities will be to review all of our existing agreements to ensure that they are benefiting our workers and to craft a trade policy that is genuinely pro-worker, pro-American, and vigorously enforced. Our focus should not be on new trade deals, nor should it be on the fastest way of getting new deals done. It should be on enforcing the existing agreements and designing policies that benefit our workers.

Will you protect national security by monitoring foreign ownership of our infrastructure, such as railways, highways and ports, and foreign ownership of our resources, such as water and energy?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

Will you insist that American policies designed to reduce global warming pollution be prioritized over trade obligations, should such environmental policies ever come into conflict with existing trade pacts?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

Do you support the right of developing countries to protect small farmers from agricultural product dumping?

Please Circle One: **Yes** **No**

Do you believe that international trade and investment are not mere ends unto themselves, but instead must be viewed as a means for achieving economic justice, human rights, healthy communities and a sound environment?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

Do you believe the rules that govern the economy must reflect the views and needs of ordinary people on issues such as jobs, wages, the environment, human rights, consumer safety, access to essential services and public health?

Please circle one: **Yes** **No**

These answers represent my beliefs and positions, and may be used by Oregon Fair Trade Campaign to keep members and the public informed about trade issues.

Hillary Rodham Clinton

Signature

May 13, 2008

Date

Thank you for your willingness to complete this questionnaire. We would like to act as a source of information to you and your campaign on trade issues. Please do not hesitate to contact us.