WASHINGTON, D.C. - On Friday January 8, the United States Supreme Court granted certiorari to the refiners appealing the 10th Circuit case pertaining to small refinery exemptions issued under the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS). This decision means that the high court will review the 10th Circuit ruling that threatens to eliminate relief for small refineries facing disproportionate economic hardship because of RFS-related regulatory and compliance costs. Refiners welcome this news and issued the following statement on the matter:

"We're encouraged that the Supreme Court sees the merit in this case and the need for clarification around the plain text of the RFS statute. Congress made certain to provide small refineries with a lifeline to seek relief from untenable RFS compliance costs at any time, a provision that would be essentially eliminated by the 10th Circuit. It is critically important, for the sake of many small fuel manufacturers and thousands of refining jobs, to resolve the questions of this case quickly."

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