



September 25, 2018



The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

We write to express our opposition to an extension of the one-pound Reid Vapor Pressure (RVP) waiver to E15 fuel. The industries we represent support approximately 10.3 million U.S. jobs and add approximately \$1.3 trillion annually to the nation's economy.

Recent reports indicate that the Environmental Protection Agency is preparing to extend the RVP waiver to E15 with minor changes to Renewable Identification Number (RIN) market trading. Such an approach is insufficient for refiners and inconsistent with your long-standing commitment to finding a solution that meets the needs of both the biofuels and refining industries. We urge you to not move forward.

Meaningful reforms to the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) are integral in any discussion about E15. Without corresponding reductions of mandated biofuel volumes, more E15 could be forced into the market, increasing the risk of consumer misfuelling. In fact, nearly three out of every four cars on the road today are not designed for E15, and several automakers have said that E15 could void car warranties. E15 is also incompatible in classic cars, motorcycles, boats, lawnmowers, and power equipment engines.

Refiners have engaged in a constructive and proactive approach to find workable reforms to the RFS. We remain committed to the goal of consensus reforms that that can and should work for all RFS stakeholders including consumers, farmers, biofuel producers, and refinery workers across the country.

Sincerely,

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Mike Sommers
President and Chief Executive Officer
American Petroleum Institute

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Chet Thompson
President
American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers