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Dear Mr. Greco:

I am responding to your October 11, 2013, petition to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for reconsideration of the final rulemaking, "Regulation of Fuels and Fuel Additives: 2013 Renewable Fuel Standards," 78 FR 49794, August 15, 2013. In your petition you requested reconsideration of the use of a projection of gasoline and diesel consumption and the adjustment of the final renewable-fuel-percentage standards to reflect the grant of a small refinery exemption.

The EPA has carefully reviewed your petition and the information available on the issues you raised. For reasons discussed in the enclosed response, the EPA is denying your petition for reconsideration.

We thank you for your interest in these issues, and the EPA looks forward to working with you and other stakeholders as we continue to implement the Renewable Fuel Standard program.

Should you have any questions, please contact Paul Argyropoulos, my colleague in the Office of Transportation and Air Quality, at (202) 564-1123 or argyropoulos.paul@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Gina McCarthy

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