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Administrator Lee Zeldin
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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Administrator Zeldin,

I am writing today to express my support for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's commitment to providing consumers with the option to choose higher biofuel volume blends. In furtherance of this commitment, I support EPA's efforts to continue to grant summertime fuel waivers that allow for the use of year-round E15, which have provided options for consumers for the past three summer driving seasons.

I urge the EPA to adopt a federal solution that will include additional biofuel blending versus the current patchwork system that creates boutique fuel markets. The current system of specialty fuel markets constrains supply in the Midwest and will ultimately increase prices at the pump for everyday Americans. In addition, I have heard from several petroleum companies that there are still investments that need to be made in infrastructure and storage, given the short timeline EPA provided under the prior Administration. EPA should consider these necessary changes before moving forward with any final implementation of the pending regulations.

Furthermore, I am frustrated with the lack of Congressional action and will continue to advocate for a federal solution that allows consumers the ability to choose. I request that you delay the implementation of the Gasoline Volatility Waiver until no earlier than the 2026 summer driving season.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Laura Kelly", with a long, sweeping flourish extending from the end.

Laura Kelly
Governor of Kansas