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FAJC Statement on the Removal of E15 Expansion from the US Spending Bill

WASHINGTON, D.C.— Today, the Fueling American Jobs Coalition released the following statement after a provision to allow year-round sales of gasoline blends with E15 was removed from the US spending bill.

"We are pleased that E15 is not included in the latest version of the House spending bill. Including the policy without RIN cost containment or any RFS reforms would have opened the door to even larger increases in already unachievable ethanol mandates. The RFS has already contributed to refinery closures and industry consolidation, increasing our reliance on imports. Without RIN cost containment or provisions to prevent ethanol mandates from ballooning, the RIN tax and expanding E15 could drive up gas prices for consumers by up to 30 cents per gallon, further increasing inflation.

"We encourage Congress to put forward a plan for commonsense RFS reform to protect hardworking Americans as well as our domestic refining capacity and independent refinery jobs nationwide."

The Fueling American Jobs Coalition is a coalition of union workers and independent American oil refiners fighting for a commonsense fix to the EPA's flawed Renewable Fuel Standard. The need for significant reform has only grown over the past few years as the cost of purchasing Renewable Identification Numbers (RINs) to comply with the RFS has grown increasingly volatile, threatening some refiners' survival. For additional information, visit www.fuelingusjobs.com.

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