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Fueling American Jobs Coalition Statement on the Nomination of Aaron Szabo to serve as
Assistant Administrator of EPA's Office of Air and Radiation

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, the Fueling American Jobs Coalition released the following statement on the <u>nomination</u> of Aaron Szabo to serve as Assistant Administrator for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Air and Radiation.

"As head of EPA's air office, Mr. Szabo will oversee the development of renewable fuel mandates and help determine the fate of America's few remaining independent refiners. The Renewable Fuel Standard has been a regulatory drag on American energy. Costly and burdensome biofuel mandates have contributed to four refinery closures in recent years, wiping out thousands of high-quality union jobs and hiking prices at the pump for American families.

"On day one, Mr. Szabo will have to contend with the wide-ranging repercussions of the dysfunctional Renewable Fuel mandate, including the high stakes for tens of thousands of skilled laborers and their families. We look forward to working with Mr. Szabo, if confirmed, to advance commonsense reforms that will reinforce our domestic refining capacity, diversify our nation's fuel supply, and truly unleash American energy."

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.