

Attn: Environmental Protection Agency

I support the petition to increase allowable blend levels of ethanol in gasoline from 10% to 15%.

I support this petition for the following reasons:

- ECONOMY:** Moving to 15% should create more new jobs.
- ENERGY SECURITY:** Moving to 15% will displace gasoline (60% of which is imported from foreign countries). Creating ethanol within our own borders moves us in the direction of energy security.
- ENVIRONMENT:** Ethanol has a significantly lower lifecycle greenhouse gas emission profile than that of gasoline. In addition, “next generation” ethanol is capable of reducing GHG lifecycle emission by 80-90% relative to gasoline. The move to E15 is consistent with the EPA’s stance on reducing carbon dioxide emissions.

Thank you for considering my opinion and the facts around moving to E15.

Sincerely,

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