

September 28, 2021

Mr. Michael S. Regan, Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Administrator 1101A
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Mr. Regan:

Thank you for your leadership and devotion to public service. On behalf of the Pennsylvania Bus Association and the Greater New Jersey Motorcoach Association, we implore you to help control fuel costs by enacting critical reforms to the federal Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) for domestic oil refineries. Our industry depends on them to produce countless products that help Americans in limitless ways.

Without reforms, runaway compliance costs for the RFS would damage the ability of thousands of our members to deliver affordable services to the many customers we serve across Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Our members, and their thousands of employees, provide private coach services that deliver tremendous tourism and economic development benefits. We all understand the good intentions of RFS, but the cost of the mandate now dwarfs all other costs for the regional refineries critical to fueling Pennsylvania and New Jersey. This is simply unsustainable and threatens the existence of regional refineries we rely on.

As we saw in the disruption the Colonial Pipeline hack caused to our transportation system, the need to protect our domestic fuel supply and energy independence has never been greater. RFS reform will ensure this happens and, in doing so, will protect many of the services and products so many of us take for granted in our everyday lives.

All of this would be lost if we don't reform the RFS and our domestic refineries close.

Our members proudly play critical roles in Pennsylvania's and New Jersey's transportation and tourism industries. Every day, we see firsthand how important our American refineries are to countless businesses and working families. Please take this opportunity to implement common-sense RFS reforms.

Sincerely,



Patricia Cowley
Executive Director
Pennsylvania Bus Association
Greater New Jersey Motorcoach Association