

July 6, 2021



Sent via First Class Mail

Congresswoman Mary Gay Scanlon 2501 Seaport Drive, BH230 Chester, PA 19013

Dear Congresswoman Scanlon:

As President of Vallen North America, I'm writing to ask for your help in advocating for reform to the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS). We fully support environmental protection and the EPA; however, the current form of the RFS has made Renewable Identification Numbers (RINs) a commodity. In particular, the RFS in its current form threatens the continued viability of independent refiners, especially in the Northeast, and it is therefore a direct threat to the economic well-being of our company as well.

Vallen is a leading provider of indirect industrial supplies and vendor-managed inventory solutions in the petrochemical and manufacturing facilities—covering the vast majority of our customers' maintenance, repair, operations and production-related materials needs. We are also leaders in providing technical services, offering safety equipment inspection, maintenance, certification and solution design. Every day, we provide solutions to protect the safety and environmental concerns of our associates and our customers.

Under the current form of the RFS, independent refiners like Monroe Energy and PBF have been forced to buy RIN credits at skyrocketing costs. Under this tremendous financial pressure, our region's last remaining oil refineries may close their doors forever, eliminating hundreds of direct jobs and causing irreversible reverberations in our region that will impact thousands of indirect jobs, like those provided by our company.

We respectfully request that you contact the EPA and the Biden Administration and ask them to take swift and meaningful action to address the out-of-control costs associated with the RFS before it is too late. The economic livelihoods of thousands of people employed by businesses like ours depend on it.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

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