



### **STATEMENT BY THE FUELING AMERICAN JOBS COALITION**

**October 31, 2018** – Today, the Fueling American Jobs Coalition released this statement in regard to Senator Toomeys visit to the Monroe Energy refinery in Trainer, PA:

We applaud Sen. Toomey for drawing attention to the continuing plight of independent refiners forced to operate under the cloud of the inherently flawed Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS). As the Senator accurately stated, there is a need for a ‘bipartisan broad resolution’ to ensure that refiners who lack blending capability can continue to do business without being unduly penalized and placed under financial strain.

The RFS compels independent refiners to purchase compliance credits on a volatile and unregulated market—often from third parties whose only interest in renewable fuels is to profit off a government mandate. President Trump has promised to protect American jobs and has been working to find a solution to fix the broken RFS that will work for refiners and ethanol interests alike.

The hard-working refinery employees from Monroe and nearby Philadelphia Energy Solutions (PES) that met with Sen. Toomey yesterday continue to advocate for the President to honor his promise by adopting permanent reforms that address the harms the RFS inflicts upon refiners.

*The Fueling American Jobs Coalition is a coalition of union workers, mom & pop gas station owners, small retailers, and independent American oil refiners fighting for a common sense fix to the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA’s) flawed Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS). The need for significant reform has only grown over the last year as the cost of purchasing Renewable Identification Numbers (RINs) to comply with the RFS has skyrocketed, threatening some refiners’ survival. For additional information, visit [www.fuelinjobs.com](http://www.fuelinjobs.com).*