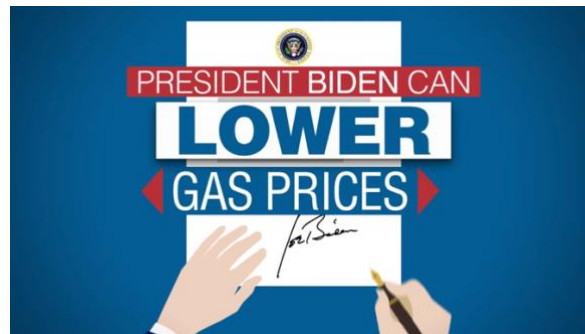




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World Series Ad in Philadelphia Tonight Calls on President Biden to Fix the Renewable Fuel Standard

Philadelphia baseball fans tuning into the first game of the World Series will see FAJC's ad calling on President Biden to fix the Renewable Fuel Standard to lower gas prices



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WASHINGTON, D.C. — A new \$2.8 million television and digital advertising campaign backed by the Fueling American Jobs Coalition is urging President Biden to lower gas prices by fixing the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS). The campaign will reach millions of Phillies fans in the Philadelphia region, with the Coalition’s 30-second television ad, “[Lower, Protect, Save](#)” set to air during the first game of the World Series.

The ad, running in the Philadelphia and Washington, D.C. media markets and on digital platforms nationwide, illustrates how the nation’s biofuel mandate is adding up to 30 cents a gallon to consumer fuel costs. The ad amplifies the voices of thousands of [refinery workers](#) in the Philadelphia region who have been calling on President Biden to fix the RFS to lower gas prices, protect thousands of high-quality jobs, and enhance America’s energy security.

“As a proud Boilermaker of over 35 years, I’ve worked in every refinery in the region and these facilities provide life changing opportunities for my members as well as thousands of building trades members from other unions,” said John Bland, Business Manager of Boilermakers Local Lodge No. 13 in Philadelphia. **“The skyrocketing costs of RINs pose a direct threat to thousands of high-quality, family-sustaining jobs in the Philadelphia region and an indirect threat to many tens of thousands more. It’s imperative that EPA not only set the RVO below the blendwall, but also consider reforming the program so that it will function as Congress intended and so that our nation’s independent refiners can continue to provide the homegrown domestic energy our country needs.”**

“Many of my members depend on local refineries like Monroe Energy for their livelihoods, and for decades, jobs at these facilities have provided life-changing opportunities for tens of thousands of

Local 654 electricians. Our region cannot afford the closure of another refinery, as this would have devastating effects on local jobs and raise gas prices across the board,” said Bill Adams, President and Assistant Business Manager of International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) 654. **“On behalf of my members and the residents of this region, I urge the administration to fix the RFS in order to protect union jobs and help America’s working families – two areas of focus that President Biden has fought for throughout his career. Without immediate action to fix the RFS, the results could be far-reaching and incurable.”**

As the Phillies take on the Houston Astros this evening, the Coalition’s ad is set to reach sports fans throughout the Philadelphia media market in Delaware, Pennsylvania, and South Jersey—including President Biden and Vice President Harris, who are scheduled to be in Philadelphia today.

“The signs all point to the Renewable Fuel Standard cheating American consumers to the beat of 30 cents on every gallon they pump – effectively throwing money in the trashcan,” said the Fueling American Jobs Coalition. **“It also threatens the livelihoods of thousands of refinery workers in Delaware, Pennsylvania, and South Jersey, who have been calling on President Biden to fix the RFS and protect their jobs. Ahead of the Environmental Protection Agency’s RFS proposal in November, we are calling on President Biden to go to bat for refinery workers across the Philadelphia region and do everything in his power to lower rising energy costs nationwide.”**

The RFS adds an approximated [\\$30 billion](#) to domestic fuel costs annually due to the volatile costs of Renewable Identification Numbers (RINs). This hidden tax translates to roughly an extra [20 to 30 cents per gallon](#) for the American consumer. In February, one energy policy analyst [testified](#) in front of the U.S. Senate Environment and Public Works Committee that, “the RFS program is raising gasoline prices by approximately 30 cents a gallon.”

Earlier this year, after the EPA [proposed](#) its biofuel blending levels for 2020, 2021 and 2022, the Biden administration heard from a diverse array of stakeholders who [testified](#) about the proposal, including refinery workers from the Philadelphia region. Their testimony was backed by a [bipartisan group](#) of elected officials, labor leaders, business advocacy groups and industries throughout Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Ohio, and Michigan and nationwide who have been calling on the administration to fix the RFS.

After [finalizing](#) those biofuel blending levels in June, EPA is now preparing to propose blending volumes for 2023, with a proposal expected by November 16.

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.

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