Thanks to the RFS, farmers and renewable fuel producers are energizing the American economy, reducing pump prices, and cutting our dependence on foreign oil. The RFS is essential to growing the economy and protecting the environment.

**ENERGIZING THE ECONOMY**

In 2017, 15.8 billion gallons of ethanol production supported nearly 360,000 U.S. jobs and contributed $45 billion to U.S. GDP. The most significant impact is improved farm income.

*Source: ABF Economics*

**BOOSTING RURAL AMERICA**

The RFS provided a $14 billion boost to the farm sector in 2015. Corn prices averaged $3.68 in 2015, without the RFS, the average would be $2.75.


**LOWERING PUMP PRICES**

Thanks to the RFS, consumers saved $17 billion on gasoline in 2015, a 9.5% reduction in prices equal to $0.18 per gallon.


**CLEANING THE AIR**

The RFS reduced CO₂ equivalent GHG emissions by 53 metric tons in 2017; that’s like removing 11 million cars from the road for an entire year.

*Source: Energy Department*
Nine of every 10 cars on the road are E15 approved, including more than 25 million FFVs designed to use any fuel. Travelers Motor Club and Association Motor Club Marketing, with more than 20 million auto club members in all 50 states, report no engine damage from ethanol and endorse E15 as safe and affordable.

Source: ACE

Both merchant and integrated refiners are able to recover RIN costs by raising the prices they charge for gasoline. A review of refinery closures failed to show a threat from RINs.

Source: EPA

In 2017, the ethanol industry converted more corn than ever before to produce record levels of ethanol and livestock feed while grocery prices fell. Corn prices dropped to half of their 2012 peak, yet restaurants continued to increase prices.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Bureau of Labor Statistics

The latest research from the Department of Energy shows that corn ethanol reduces GHGs by nearly 50 percent compared to gasoline.

Source: GREET

Special interests who are opposed to the RFS have made misleading and deceitful claims which have been proven false. Congress and EPA need to stand strong in support of the RFS.