Dear Mr. President:

Since announcing your candidacy, you have been a champion for homegrown biofuel produced from American farms. Your support is widely recognized by rural voters who rallied around your campaign from the very beginning. And when you asked America's biofuel producers to offer ideas to ease regulations, we answered with solutions to ensure growth on all sides.

More than 200 biofuel manufacturers support thousands of jobs across the heartland and provide a vital market for millions of hard-working farmers, transforming this nation's vast surplus of crops into high-value, American-made energy. Today, this engine of economic strength is under attack, and we need your leadership.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is holding biofuel market growth hostage. EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt is aggressively undercutting your explicit promise to defend access to markets through the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS), destroying demand for biofuels and crops during the worst farm crisis since the 1980s.

Mr. Pruitt has secretly granted "hardship" waivers to refining giants with billion-dollar profits. Refiners say Mr. Pruitt is handing the waivers out “like trick or treat candy” – a slap in the face of rural families.

Refiners have received enough handouts. It’s time to stop what USDA Secretary Sonny Perdue called “direct demand destruction” of biofuels. It’s time to get to work on meaningful regulatory relief that gives more Americans the freedom to choose homegrown fuels.

When you announced your support for a fix to allow year-round sales of E15, a fuel blend with 15 percent ethanol, it inspired hope among rural workers and hard-working farmers. We ask you to keep that promise without imposing additional burdens that would threaten jobs and family farms across the heartland.

Please reject demands for a cap on biofuels and help unleash rural growth by cutting the red tape holding back homegrown energy. Rural families, including ours, are counting on you.

Sincerely,

Absolute Energy, LLC (IA)
Ace Ethanol LLC (WI)
Adkins Energy, LLC (IL)
Advanced Bio Energy, LLC - Aberdeen (SD)
Advanced Bio Energy, LLC - Huron (SD)
Badger State Ethanol (WI)
Big River Resources, LLC - Boyceville (WI)
Big River Resources, LLC - Galva (IL)
Big River Resources, LLC - West Burlington (IA)
Big River United Energy, LLC (IA)
Blue Flint Ethanol, LLC (ND)
Bridgeport Ethanol, LLC (NE)
Bushmills Ethanol (MN)
Carbon Green Bioenergy, LLC (MI)
Cardinal Ethanol, LLC (IN)
Chief Ethanol Fuels, Inc. (NE)
Conestoga Energy Partners, LLC - Arkanol Energy (KS)
Conestoga Energy Partners, LLC - Bonanza (KS)
Conestoga Energy Partners, LLC - Diamond Ethanol (TX)
Corn, LP (IA)
Denco II, LLC (MN)
Fox River Valley Ethanol LLC (WI)
Front Range Energy, LLC (CO)
Glacial Lakes Energy, LLC (SD)
Golden Grain Energy, LLC (IA)
Green Plains Inc. - Atkinson (NE)
Green Plains Inc. - Bluffton (IN)
Green Plains Inc. - Central City (NE)
Green Plains Inc. - Fairmont (MN)
Green Plains Inc. - Hereford (TX)
Green Plains Inc. - Hopewell (VA)
Green Plains Inc. - Lakota (IA)
Green Plains Inc. - Madison (IL)
Green Plains Inc. - Mount Vernon (IN)
Green Plains Inc. - Obion (TN)
Green Plains Inc. - Ord (NE)
Green Plains Inc. - Other Tail (MN)
Green Plains Inc. - Riga (MI)
Green Plains Inc. - Shenandoah (IA)
Green Plains Inc. - Superior (IA)
Green Plains Inc. - Wood River (NE)
Green Plains Inc. - York (NE)
ICM Biofuels, Inc. (MO)
Iroquois Bio-Energy Company, LLC (IN)
Kansans Ethanol, LLC (KS)
Lincolnland Agri-Energy, LLC (IL)
Marquis Energy - Wisconsin, LLC (WI)
Marquis Energy, LLC (IL)
Mid America Bio Energy (NE)
Nebraska Corn Processing (NE)
Pennsylvania Grain Processing, LLC (PA)
Plymouth Energy, LLC (IA)
POET Biorefining - Alexandria (NE)
POET Biorefining - Ashton (IA)
POET Biorefining - Big Stone (SD)
POET Biorefining - Bingham Lake (MN)
POET Biorefining - Caro (MI)
POET Biorefining - Chancellor (SD)
POET Biorefining - Cloverdale (IN)
POET Biorefining - Coon Rapids (IA)
POET Biorefining - Corning (IA)
POET Biorefining - Fostoria (OH)
POET Biorefining - Glenville (MN)
POET Biorefining - Gowrie (IA)
POET Biorefining - Groton (SD)
POET Biorefining - Hantontown (IA)
POET Biorefining - Hudson (SD)
POET Biorefining - Jewell (IA)
POET Biorefining - Laddonia (MO)
POET Biorefining - Lake Crystal (MN)
POET Biorefining - Leipsic (OH)
POET Biorefining - Mason (MO)
POET Biorefining - Marion (OH)
POET Biorefining - Mitchell (SD)
POET Biorefining - North Manchester (IN)
POET Biorefining - Portland (IN)
POET Biorefining - Preston (MN)
POET Research Center (SD)
Prairie Horizon Agri-Energy (KS)
Project LIBERTY - Emmetsburg (IA)
Quad County Corn Processors (IA)
Redfield Energy, LLC (SD)
Reeve Agri Energy (KS)
Show Me Ethanol LLC (MO)
Siouxland Energy Cooperative (IA)
Sterling Ethanol, LLC (CO)
Tharaldson Ethanol Plant I, LLC (ND)
Three Rivers Energy (OH)
Western New York Energy, LLC (NY)
Western Plains Ethanol, LLC (KS)
While Energy Hereford, LLC (TX)
While Energy Plainview, LLC (TX)
While Energy Russell, LLC (KS)
Yuma Ethanol, LLC (CO)