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Administrator Zeldin,

As Iowa's Secretary of Agriculture, I write to urge the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to issue an emergency waiver under the Clean Air Act to allow the nationwide sale of E15 fuel during the 2025 summer driving season.

Allowing continued access to E15 this summer is critical for American consumers and our rural economy. Drivers deserve a more affordable, lower-emission fuel option at the pump, especially during peak travel months. At the same time, rural communities and farm families are facing significant uncertainty due to unstable global markets, tariffs, and the potential loss of key agricultural export opportunities.

While these market conditions may be temporary, the impact on corn demand and farm income is very real. Year-round E15 sales can help absorb some of that shock by strengthening domestic markets for biofuels and corn growers—offering an immediate, commonsense way to support American energy and agriculture alike.

EPA has previously recognized the need for such action and the precedent for granting emergency waivers exists. Additionally, allowing the sale of E15 is directly aligned with President Trump's "Declaring a National Energy Emergency" executive order, and with our broader national interest in energy security and independence.

I urge you to act swiftly and decisively to prevent any disruption to the sale of E15 this summer. Thank you for your consideration and continued support of American agriculture and biofuels.

Sincerely,



Mike Naig  
Iowa Secretary of Agriculture