



# AMI, Coalition Publish Ad Opposing Increase In Ethanol Blend Levels

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AMI, in partnership with a number of other trade organizations, voiced its opposition today to the use of mid-level ethanol blends in commerce in a full page print advertisement titled "E15? Bad for Consumers. Bad for the Environment. Bad for Rural Communities" in Roll Call, the newspaper of Capitol Hill.

The ad urges opposition to any action that would allow the use of so-called "mid-level ethanol blends" (blends above 10 percent ethanol, such as E15 or E20) in commerce before proper independent testing shows that it does not pose a risk to the environment, consumers, or rural communities.

"Some corn ethanol companies want to increase by 50 percent the amount of corn ethanol that can be blended into gasoline. Congress and the Obama Administration should follow the science before adding more corn ethanol to gasoline," the ad reads.

The ad makes the following points about increased dependence on corn ethanol:

More corn ethanol is bad for consumers. Diluting gasoline with more corn ethanol could damage the engines and injure the users of millions of boats, cars, trucks, motorcycles, ATVs, snowmobiles, chainsaws, lawnmowers and other outdoor power equipment. That is why only a handful of car engines are warranted to run on fuels containing more than 10 percent ethanol.

More corn ethanol will drive up food and feed prices. Diluting gasoline with more corn ethanol could divert more than half of America's corn crop from food and feed to fuel, increasing the cost of feeding livestock and food made from corn and forcing consumers to pay even more to put food on the table.

More corn ethanol is bad for the environment. Producing more corn ethanol could threaten air and water quality in many communities, destroy millions of acres of forests, and increase emissions of greenhouse gases that cause global warming.

More corn ethanol is bad for rural communities. Thousands of jobs and farms were lost when feed prices more than doubled in 2008. Adding more corn ethanol to our gasoline will increase feed prices again, harming livestock farmers and meat processors and risking more American jobs.

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