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Ms. Leticia Phillips
Representative – North America
Brazillian Sugarcane Industry Association (UNICA)
1711 N Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Ms. Phillips:

Thank you for your request for a 30-day extension of the comment period for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, "RFS Pathways II and Technical Amendments to the RFS 2 Standards." In this Notice the EPA is proposing to amend certain renewable fuels standard program regulations to facilitate the introduction of new renewable fuels as well as improve implementation of the program.

We appreciate the concerns you have raised in your letter and look forward to working with interested stakeholders like UNICA as we move to a final rulemaking. At this time, we are not planning to extend the comment period as requested in your letter. However, we will welcome any substantive comments you provide after the deadline and will add those comments to the rulemaking docket. We will review comments received in sufficient time before completion of the final rule and take substantive information into consideration during our deliberations.

We look forward to future interactions with UNICA as we move forward with the rule. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Sopata of my staff at 202-343-9034 or sopata.joe@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Grundler".

Christopher Grundler, Director
Office of Transportation and Air Quality