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Federal Trade Commission
Office of the Secretary
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room CC-5610 (Annex N)
Washington, DC 20580

RE: 16 CFR Part 306; Automotive Fuel Ratings, Certification and Posting; Project No. R811005

To Whom It May Concern,

As a full time mechanic and motorcycle shop owner I see firsthand the damage caused by ethanol in gasoline. We are doing multiple repairs weekly on ethanol damaged fuel systems. We are seeing failures that used to be basically non existent before the advent of this fuel. Fuel Lines literally dissolving, creating huge fire hazards, fuel pumps that are fairly new just quit running, carburetor parts that shrink and crack, causing poor running and more fuel leaks. Motorcycles can sit for only about 2 to 3 weeks before this damage starts to set in. The manufacturers are scrambling to come up with new materials that will hopefully hold up.

This has caused huge safety issues and financial burdens for the motorcycle owner.

Please consider not raising the current level of ethanol or maybe even reducing it.

Sincerely,
david sturgess, NM