WASHINGTON, D.C. — American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers **(AFPM) President and CEO Chet Thompson** today issued the following statement on the 7-2 decision by the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) determining refiners have standing to challenge California's electric vehicle (EV) mandates:

> *"Today the Supreme Court put to rest any question about whether fuel manufacturers have a right to challenge unlawful electric vehicle mandates. We do, and we look forward to finally having our day in court.*
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> *"California's EV mandates are unlawful and bad for our country. Congress did not give California special authority to regulate greenhouse gases, mandate electric vehicles or ban new gas car sales—all of which the state has attempted to do through its intentional misreading of statute."* ***– Chet Thompson, AFPM President and CEO***

AFPM launched an eight-figure education campaign in 2023 designed to raise public awareness of federal and state gas car ban and EV mandate policies, including California's Advanced Clean Cars programs. The campaign elevated the issue to the highest levels in American politics and provided Americans numerous opportunities to engage their elected officials in support of consumer choice, American energy security and vehicle freedom.

Background:

The Supreme Court granted a writ of certiorari to AFPM and a coalition of 15 energy, agriculture and biofuel groups in the case of *Diamond Alternative Energy, LLC v. EPA, et. al* on the question of fuel manufacturers' standing related to the redressability of their injuries. The case was argued before the Supreme Court on April 23, 2025.

The underlying case involves fuel manufacturers' efforts to challenge an EPA decision granting a waiver to the state of California for its 2021-2025 Advanced Clean Cars I (ACCI) electric vehicle sales mandate, a policy interfering with the vehicle choices available to nearly 35% of Americans directly, and many more indirectly.

California adopted its Advanced Clean Cars I (ACCI) regulation in 2012. The policy covers model year vehicles 2018 through 2025, setting annual minimum percentages of "zero emission" vehicles that auto manufacturers must supply for sale to California and the other Section 177 states (see percentage targets below). The policy also imposed vehicle greenhouse gas emissions standards that will continue in perpetuity.

Model Year	Credit Percentage Requirement
2018	4.5%
2019	7.0%
2020	9.5%
2021	12.0%
2022	14.5%
2023	17.0%
2024	19.5%
2025	22.0%

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About AFPM:

The American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers (AFPM) is the leading trade association representing the makers of the fuels that keep us moving, the petrochemicals that are the essential building blocks for modern life, and the midstream companies that get our feedstocks and products where they need to go. We make the products that make life better, safer and more sustainable — we make progress.

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