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I own and operate a small fleet of tugboats, workboats and various land based machinery. All equipment I own and operate requires petroleum based fuel, primarily diesel. My equipment is well maintained, albeit not new (1957-1996). The use of a synthetic fuel is not recommended and would cause irreparable damage. Retrofitting to new day standards as being proposed would exceed the equipment value. Replacement with new equipment is cost prohibitive. Certain pieces of my equipment are very project specific and are no longer available in the marketplace. Electrification is an impossibility. In short, this proposed direction for non petroleum based fuel or alternate power would cause my business to close. Whoever is behind this irrational thought process needs to be made aware of the significant financial consequences and overall economic impacts such a move would create. The far reaching negative consequences are unimaginable. **RETHINK YOUR PROPOSED IDEAS!!!!**