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News

Climate Change

Asia at Risk of Deeper Poverty Due to Climate Change, Bank Says

Asia and the Pacific, home to two thirds of the world's poor, are at the highest risk of suffering deeper poverty and disaster due to unabated climate change, reversing current development gains, according to the Asian Development Bank.

Climate Policy

Carbon from L.A. to Paris Jumps as Lawmakers Plan Tightening

Carbon prices from California to New Zealand are soaring as lawmakers across the globe seek more stringent rules for their greenhouse-gas markets.

Energy

Jones Day Lawyer Tapped to Chair Federal Energy Regulator

Energy attorney Kevin McIntyre, co-head of the energy practice at the Jones Day law firm, was tapped to be chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, which has been without a quorum since February.

Energy

Renewable Energy Not a Threat to Grid, Draft of U.S. Study Finds

Wind and solar power don't pose a significant threat to the reliability of the U.S. power grid, Energy Department staff members said in a draft report, contradicting statements by their leader Rick Perry.

Energy

Solar Eclipse Could Wipe Out 9,000 Megawatts of Power

The eclipse set to darken skies next month threatens to sideline solar farms and rooftop panels in a wide swath of the U.S., wiping out enough power generation to supply about 7 million homes.

Environmental Reviews

Local Planners Get Boost in California Climate Decision

Local planning agencies have discretion in how they evaluate the climate impacts of infrastructure projects, the California Supreme Court said in a highly anticipated decision. But the ruling leaves unclear whether those environmental reviews must be consistent with greenhouse gas goals set out in a governor's executive order.

General Policy

Week Ahead: N.J. Republican Lawmaker Boosting EPA's Budget

Rep. Rodney Frelinghuysen (R-N.J.) will get an initial public crack at boosting EPA spending as House Appropriations Committee chairman at a Tuesday committee markup of the fiscal 2018 budget bill, one of numerous environment and energy events scheduled for the week of July 17.

Oil & Gas

U.S. Said to Stymie Japan's Plan to Explore for Russian Oil

A Japanese group's plans to explore for Russian oil with state-run Rosneft PJSC have been stymied by U.S. intervention over sanctions, according to people familiar with the matter.

Oil & Gas

U.S. Says Energy Transfer's Rover Gas Project Violated Rules

U.S. regulators are accusing Energy Transfer Partners LP of violating federal rules by failing to disclose information about a historic house it razed to make way for the controversial Rover natural gas pipeline.

Renewable Energy

Brazil Projects Rapid Growth in Wind and Solar by 2026

Brazil's latest 10-year energy expansion plan sees wind power doubling to a 13 percent share of the electricity matrix, while solar power stands to also gain a foothold.

Vehicle Fuels

Big Oil Just Woke Up to Threat of Rising Electric Car Demand

The world's biggest oil producers are starting to take electric vehicles seriously as a long-term threat.

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