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News

Climate Change

Trump Administration Disbands Climate Advisory Panel

The Trump administration has disbanded a broad federal advisory panel formed to critique the government's National Climate Assessment.

Coal Mining

Trump Administration Halts Study of Surface Mining Health Effects

Coal industry supporters are hailing the Trump administration's decision to nix a study on the health effects of surface coal mining, saying it's not necessary and likely wouldn't have yielded reliable conclusions.

Energy

Former Lobbyist Named Energy Commission Chairman's Chief of Staff

Anthony Pugliese, a former Pennsylvania energy lobbyist, was named Aug. 21 as new Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Chairman Neil Chatterjee's chief of staff.

Energy

Germany's IBC Gets Power Contract for 20 MW Indian Solar Plant

German solar developer IBC Solar AG signed a power-purchase agreement with the Solar Energy Corp. of India, a government enterprise, to buy electricity from its 20-megawatt plant in the state of Odisha.

Mergers and Acquisitions

Rosneft, Trafigura Finalize \$12.9 Billion Deal for Essar Oil

Rosneft PJSC and partners including Trafigura Group finalized their \$12.9 billion purchase of India's Essar Oil Ltd.

Oil & Gas

Atlantic Governors Seek Continued Federal Oil and Gas Leasing Ban

North Carolina Gov. Roy Cooper (D) is urging federal regulators to continue the current ban on oil and gas drilling off his state's coast, joining Republican and Democratic governors in East Coast states who don't want the Atlantic included in the government's next five-year drilling plan.

Oil & Gas

Crestone Peak's Colorado Oil Drilling Plan Faces Hurdles

Crestone Peak Resources is seeking permission to use horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing in Boulder County, Colo., the first new oil and gas activity since a five-year drilling

moratorium expired there.

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