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Environmentalists Raise Concerns Over EPA's TSCA Scoping Documents

Several environmental groups are questioning multiple aspects of EPA's efforts to launch its new risk evaluation program for existing chemicals under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), and in a new letter are pressing EPA officials for reassurances that its first 10 risk evaluations will comply with the law's intent.

House Panel Approves Bipartisan Overhaul Of Drinking Water Protection

The House Energy & Commerce Committee has approved bipartisan legislation to reauthorize the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), with increased authorization levels for infrastructure funding, expanded monitoring of emerging contaminants and targeted attention on replacing lead pipes, drawing praise from Democrats who initially criticized the bill.

GOP Backing For California Cap-And-Trade Expansion Key To Durability

Republican support for the landmark extension of California's greenhouse gas cap-and-trade program -- which was key to extending the program by a two-thirds vote of the state legislature -- is the latest evidence that bipartisan support is critical for the long-term durability of climate mitigation policies, according to one top analyst.

GOP's Push To Narrow EPA Deference Faces Unclear High Court Outcome

The Supreme Court's upcoming term could reshape judicial principles on deference to EPA and other agencies about their interpretations of law and regulatory text, given the GOP push to narrow or scrap precedents on the subject, observers say, but the fact that deference now benefits the Trump administration could blunt that effort.

EPA Clarifies Waste Manifest Requirements For Off-Shore Oil Rig Wastes

EPA's waste office has updated its interpretation of Resource Conservation & Recovery Act (RCRA) regulations for certain hazardous wastes generated from off-shore oil platforms, saying the agency is now making it clear that RCRA hazardous waste generator manifest requirements apply to such waste -- a reversal from its

previous position.

Daily Feed

House transportation committee approves brownfields bill

The House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee has approved brownfields legislation that reauthorizes the program until 2022 and creates multi-purpose grants.

EPA floats RFS GHG analysis for beet-based biofuel

EPA says it would use the analysis as part of any future case-by-case reviews of petitions for biofuel produced from sugar beets to qualify as a low-carbon fuel under the renewable fuel standard.

Quote-Unquote: On EPA's Superfund reboot and transition official at odds with new EPA

Also: Cost-benefit analysis going forward and consumer group gears up for fights to come.

Ewire: A daily news roundup

Republicans fail in efforts to use an energy and water spending bill to shield the Clean Water Act jurisdiction rule repeal from the Administrative Procedure Act.

EPA launches water infrastructure funding database

The online database from EPA's Water Infrastructure and Resiliency Finance Center will help communities locate funding sources for water infrastructure projects.

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