It’s Time to Comment on Climate Risk Disclosure

EnvironmentalThe noise in the sustainability space has gradually grown louder over the past few years, most often via forward-looking aspiration: bold commitments, proclamations of renewed…

Bed Bath & Beyond, Inc., to Pay $1.49M in Settlement of Environmental Violations

NewsContra Costa County District Attorney Diana Becton announces a $1,498,750 settlement against New Jersey-based Bed Bath & Beyond, Inc. (‘Bed Bath & Beyond’) as part of a settlement of a civil environmental prosecution.

Daimler to Pay $2.2 Billion in Diesel Emissions Cheating Settlements

NewsDaimler AG will pay $2.2 billion to resolve a U.S. government diesel emissions cheating investigation and claims from 250,000 U.S. vehicle owners, court documents show.

Court-Appointed Attorney for Donziger Cites ‘Irreconcilable Conflict’

News

Attorney Andrew Frisch asked a Manhattan federal judge on Wednesday to vacate an order forcing him to represent Steven Donziger, the American lawyer who spent more than two decades suing Chevron Corp over pollution in Ecuador and is now facing a trial next week for criminal contempt.

Daimler Agrees to U.S. Diesel Settlements Worth Nearly $3 Billion

News

Daimler said on Thursday it has reached agreements costing nearly $3 billion to settle civil investigations by U.S. regulators and lawsuits from vehicle owners stemming from a long-running probe into software to cheat diesel emissions tests.

Brian O’Neill, Prominent Environmental Lawyer, Dies of ALS At 72

News

He led the Minneapolis-based legal team at Faegre & Benson that distributed $1 billion to native Alaskans and fishermen affected by the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill.

Ann Arbor Council Votes 10-1 to Increase Legal Contract in Gelman Case to $592,500

News

Ann Arbor officials this week again delayed voting on a resolution to seek a federal Superfund cleanup of the Gelman dioxane plume

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Bayer Asks California Court to Reverse $86 Million

Roundup Cancer Verdict

News

Bayer denies the allegations made by more than 42,700 plaintiffs in the United States, saying decades of studies have shown Roundup and glyphosate are safe for human use.

Ninth Circuit Hears Debate Over Oil Drilling in Alaska Reserve

Insight

In 2016, ConocoPhillips Alaska found a new cache of oil in the reserve that would mean an additional 130,000 barrels per day – beyond the daily 500,000 barrels that flowed through TransAlaska Pipeline last year.

Fifth Circuit Rules "Approximate Physical Presence" is Required for General Personal Jurisdiction

Insight

Can targeted advertising establish general jurisdiction over a

foreign corporation?

Making Big Oil Pay For Climate Change May Be Impossible

Insight

As more governments and taxpayers find themselves staring down the barrel at rising climate costs, they are increasingly turning to the courts to hold Big Oil accountable.

2020 Renewable Energy Outlook: Waning Incentives, Redevelopment Opportunities, and Community Opposition

Insight

Authors of the Schiff Hardin post discuss three key issues facing the industry for the coming year.

The Economics of Flaring

Insight

Author Gabriel Collins argues that instead of flaring gas, it should be liquefied and sold in the international market.

Louisiana Operator’s Bad Faith Does Not Preclude Recovery

News

Charles Sartain summarizes the background of *Apache Deepwater, LLC v. W&T Offshore, Inc.*, a conflict between parties to a joint operating agreement for operations on offshore deepwater wells.

Rex Tillerson Back in Spotlight at Exxon Climate Trial

News

Tillerson is scheduled to make an appearance at the New York Supreme Court Wednesday to answer questions about missing emails and varying carbon pricing schemes.

Trump’s Fast-Tracking of Oil Pipelines Hits Legal Roadblocks

News

Successful legal challenges by environmental groups allege the administration failed to apply the regulatory scrutiny required under the law.

House Democrats Call for Overhaul of Oil-Leasing Rules

News

the Government Accountability Office placed the Interior Department’s oil and gas leasing program on its high risk list of federal programs mottled with waste, fraud and abuse.

California, Other States Take Trump to Court Over Auto

Emissions Rules

News

The legal fight pits a Democratic majority state that has become the U.S. environmental champion against a Republican president who wants to boost the economy by cutting regulation.

The Devil is in the Details (or Lack Thereof): A Costly Lesson in Allocating Environmental Responsibility in Contracts

Insight

The seller could have more carefully crafted the language of the rider to limit its remediation obligations.

In Roundup Case, U.S. Judge Cuts $2 Billion Verdict

Against Bayer to $86 Million

News

A California Superior Court judge in Oakland said the jury’s billion-dollar punitive damages awards were excessive and unconstitutional.