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.

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.

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.

Environmental Lawyers Probing Water Contamination from ‘Forever Chemicals’

News

Environmental trial lawyers at Dallas-based Fears Nachawati Law Firm are investigating water contamination cases on behalf of states, counties and cities across the nation.

Outcry Over EPA Proposal to Weaken Standards for Cleanup of ‘Forever Chemicals’

News

The proposal would lower existing requirements for addressing groundwater contamination at military bases where large amounts of contamination have been documented.

Ford Says Feds Have Opened Criminal Probe Into Its Emissions Certifications

News

CNBC is reporting that the Justice Department has launched a criminal investigation in a matter relating to Ford Motor’s emissions certification process.

Judge Dismisses Pipeline

Operator's Racketeering/Defamation Suit Against Greenpeace

News

"Posting articles written by people with similar beliefs does not create a RICO enterprise," a federal judge wrote in his dismissal order.

Federal Judge Blocks Keystone Pipeline XL in Major Blow to Trump Administration

News

The Washington Post characterized the order as a major defeat for President Trump, who attacked the Obama administration for stopping the project in the face of protests and an environmental impact study.

Former Partner Sentenced to Five Years in Prison for

Scheme to Bribe Alabama Lawmaker

News

A former partner at Balch & Bingham has been sentenced to five years in prison for a scheme to bribe an Alabama state legislator to oppose expansion of a site designated for an environmental cleanup, reports the *ABA Journal*.

Judge Dismisses Exxon's Lawsuit, Letting Multi-State Fraud Investigation Continue

News

A U.S. district judge in New York on Thursday dismissed Exxon's lawsuit claiming officials in New York and Massachusetts conspired with environmental groups in planning the securities-fraud probe.

Top 10 Environmental Lawyer Joins Boutique Law Firm

News

Jennifer Nijman and Susan Franzetti announce the addition of E. Lynn Grayson, to Nijman · Franzetti LLP of Chicago.

Alabama Lawyers, Coal Executive Indicted On Bribery Charges

News

Two partners in prominent Alabama law firm Balch & Bingham have been placed on indefinite leave after named on charges including conspiracy and bribery, the AP reports.

Trump Administration Working Toward Renewed Drilling in Arctic National Wildlife Refuge

News

The Trump administration is quietly moving to allow energy exploration in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for the first time in more than 30 years, according to documents obtained by *The Washington Post*, with a draft rule that would lay the groundwork for drilling.

German Authorities Raid Jones Day Offices in VW Emissions Inquiry

News

German prosecutors raided the offices of Jones Day, the American law firm hired to conduct an internal investigation of Volkswagen's emissions fraud, the AP reports.

Tillerson May Face Deposition About 'Wayne Tracker' Alias Emails

News

Tillerson sent the most sensitive messages to and from company board members, including communications about the risks associated with climate change, New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman said.

Monsanto Ghostwrote Cancer Studies of Its Own Weed

Killer, Plaintiffs in Lawsuit Say

News

Plaintiffs claim that Monsanto’s toxicology manager ghostwrote parts of a scientific report in 2013 that was published under the names of several academic scientists, and his boss ghostwrote parts of another in 2000, according to a Reuters report.

Addressing Environmental Claims and Obligations in Chapter 11

Event, Feb. 8, 1 p.m. EST

Practical Law and IWIRC NY offer a complimentary webinar addressing environmental claims and obligations in Chapter 11 with leading bankruptcy attorneys and advisors.

Holland & Hart Launches Alaska Office

News

Holland & Hart announced the addition of Kyle W. Parker and John C. Martin as partners, along with the opening of an

office in Anchorage, Alaska.

Folksy SC Lawyer Stares Down Duke Energy, Other Utility Giants

News

Frank Holleman never thought he'd become a nationally recognized authority on coal ash, a toxin-riddled waste that has power companies under scrutiny across the country, but five years after taking a job with a regional conservation group, Holleman is perhaps the one person utilities hate to see coming, writes Sammy Fretwell for The State of Columbia, S.C.