Feature Story

**EPA proposes pesticide rule to protect agricultural workers**

EPA published a proposed rule revising the existing Worker Protection Standard (WPS) to reduce occupational pesticide exposure for agricultural workers and pesticide handlers. EPA estimates its proposal will result in $5 - $14 million in annual benefits and $62 - $73 million in annual costs.

Rulemaking

**DOE proposes energy efficiency standards for ice makers**

DOE published a proposed rule setting energy efficiency standards for automatic commercial ice makers, such as those that are used in hotels, schools, office buildings, supermarkets, and other places where beverages are sold. DOE expects $149 million in annual benefits and $21 million in annual costs to result from its proposal.

Financial regulators finalize stress test implementation rule

FDIC, OCC, and the Federal Reserve Board published a joint final rule outlining the principles for implementation of stress tests for banks with between $10 billion and $50 billion in consolidated assets, pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Act.

FCC: more time to comment on cellphone use aboard aircraft

FCC is extending the public comment period for its proposed rule lifting an FCC ban on the use of cellphones during flights, giving individual airlines discretion to decide whether to allow cellphone service (and which services to allow). Comments are now due on May 16.

FTC seeks input on review of packaging and labeling rules

FTC is seeking comments on its existing rules and guides under the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act as a part of a systematic review of its rules "to ensure they continue to achieve their intended purpose without unduly burdening commerce."

**Presidio Trust proposes limits on commercial dogwalking**

The Presidio Trust published a proposed rule that would limit commercial dogwalking in the Presidio, a national park area in San Francisco. The proposal would require commercial dogwalkers to obtain city permits, and would prohibit commercial dogwalkers from walking more than six dogs at once.

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