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STATEMENT ON ELIMINATION OF EPA “CENSORED SCIENCE” RULE

Today, the Environmental Protection Agency formally eliminated a Trump administration rule limiting the use of many epidemiological studies in regulatory decisionmaking.

Richard Revesz, AnBryce Professor of Law and Dean Emeritus at New York University School of Law, where he directs the Institute for Policy Integrity, issued the following statement:

“The Trump administration’s ‘censored science’ rule was a direct attack on the scientific underpinnings of environmental regulation. The rule would have barred the EPA from considering some of the most probative epidemiological research showing how contaminants affect human populations. This rule could have stood in the way of a wide range of public health safeguards, leading to unnecessary illnesses and deaths. Today’s action is an important step in restoring science to environmental policymaking.”

Revesz is available for interviews on this issue.

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