KEY ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES IN U.S. EPA REGION 2

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This biennial conference examines key and emerging environmental issues in the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 2 area, which includes New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

8:30 a.m. Registration
8:50 a.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks
9 a.m. PANEL 1: Climate and Air Pollution
  MODERATOR
  Michael B. Gerrard, Andrew Sabin Professor of Professional Practice and Director of the Center for Climate Change Law, Columbia Law School
  PANELISTS
  Climate Change: Regulation and Adaptation
  Joseph A. Siegel, U.S. EPA Region 2
  Other Clean Air Act Issues
  Liliana Villatora, U.S. EPA Region 2
  Hurricane Response and Disaster Preparedness
  Jane Kozinski, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
10:15 a.m. Break
10:30 a.m. PANEL 2: Cross-Cutting Issues
  MODERATOR
  Michael Panfil, Environmental Defense Fund
  PANELISTS
  Region 2 Civil Enforcement Update
  Eric H. Schaaf, U.S. EPA Region 2
  Region 2 Criminal Enforcement Update
  Laurie D. Dubriel, U.S. EPA Region 2
  EPA Focus on Communities
  Paul F. Simon, U.S. EPA Region 2
11:45 a.m. PANEL 3: Contaminated Site Cleanup and Redevelopment
  MODERATOR
  J. Kevin Healy, Bryan Cave LLP
  PANELISTS
  CERCLA/RCRA Update
  Walter E. Mugdan, U.S. EPA Region 2
  New York Brownfields Program
  Edward F. McTiernan, New York Department of Environmental Conservation
  New Jersey Licensed Site Remediation Professionals Program
  Mark Pedersen, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
1 p.m. Lunch
1:45 p.m. KEYNOTE ADDRESS
  Judith A. Enck, Regional Administrator, U.S. EPA Region 2
2:15 p.m. THE COMMISSIONERS SPEAK
  MODERATOR
  Pamela R. Esterman, Sive, Paget & Riesel P.C.
  PANELISTS
  Marc Gerstman, Executive Deputy Commissioner, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
  Bob Martin, Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
  Emily Lloyd, Commissioner, New York City Department of Environmental Protection
3:30 p.m. Break
3:45 p.m.  **PANEL 4: Water Issues**

**MODERATOR**
Laurie J. Sands, Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland & Perretti LLP

**PANELISTS**

- Wetlands Jurisdiction and Hydraulic Fracturing Issues
  Phyllis S.K. Feinmark, U.S. EPA Region 2

- Green Infrastructure and Sustainability
  Angela Licata, New York City Department of Environmental Protection

- Water Regulation Overview
  Michele N. Siekerka, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

5 p.m.  Adjournment

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REGISTRATION AND PROGRAM INFORMATION: [www.law.columbia.edu/climatechange/2014EPARegion2](http://www.law.columbia.edu/climatechange/2014EPARegion2)

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Space is limited and pre-registration is strongly recommended. Online registration will close for all transactions, including cancellations with refund, at **5 p.m. on Monday, May 26, 2014**. On-site registration will be available at the conference, space permitting.

CONFERENCE LOCATION: Columbia Law School, 435 West 116th Street, New York, New York (corner of Amsterdam Avenue). Nearest subway: #1 train at 116th Street

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