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between private sector steel producers and state-owned enterprises. However, these and the other policy recommendations presented by the Global Forum will only be meaningful if they are actually implemented by governments. Promises alone will not solve the problems facing the global steel industry; concrete actions by governments must follow in short order.

At the same time, continued aggressive enforcement of the full range of U.S. trade laws, including Section 232 and our antidumping and countervailing duty laws, is critical to ensure that the U.S. industry is not further damaged by unfair trade in steel. In our view, a trade policy that couples vigorous enforcement with continued international engagement offers the best opportunity for successfully addressing the global overcapacity crisis in steel.”

New Criteria For Crane & Rigging Safety Awards

The Crane & Rigging Group Governing Committee approved new criteria for the Crane & Rigging Group Safety Awards at its last meeting. The new rule states that to be eligible for the SC&RA Safety Award, a company must

have zero fatalities during the current program year. In addition, a company must not have had any claims made or property damage, in excess of \$50,000 (per occurrence), that were job-related, whether property, automobile, specialty or general liability. Companies may note extenuating circumstances on the award application which will be reviewed confidentially by Association staff. For more information contact Beth O’Quinn at boquinn@scranet.org.

Trump Administration pressures OSHA to cut regulatory budget

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), along with other regulatory agencies, have received recent pressure from White House officials to indicate how they will cut regulatory costs for the fiscal year 2018.

In a September 7 memo, Neomi Rao of the White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) encouraged agencies to begin preparing for compliance with President Trump’s controversial executive order requiring agencies to trim budgets and eliminate two rules for every new rule that the agency creates.

“Each agency should include, along with its proposed FY 2018 cost allowance, an explanation of how the agency developed its proposed allowance and how that proposed allowance is consistent with the administration’s regulatory policies and priorities,” the memo stated.

The order has faced criticisms from multiple public interests groups, environmentalists, and some business organizations. Inside OSHA Online reports that the executive order is currently facing a lawsuit from an environmental advocate group. The suit, which has received support from former OSHA chief, David Michaels, claims the order abridges First Amendment rights and unlawfully preempts statutory requirements.

Industry groups have generally supported the order, but some, along with prominent economists, have demonstrated skepticism regarding its effectiveness. One issue of concern is the “2-1” policy, which has been criticized for being too vague for practical implementation.

“It is more important to achieve net \$0 negative regulatory costs than identifying two deregulatory actions to provide the offset,” stated the American Petroleum

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