

Chat Log: COVID-19 Update from GCCA June 11, 2020

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:06 AM: GCCA has co-sponsored two letters to the U.S. Congress advocating for common sense liability protection. The [first letter](#) was sent to the Senate Judiciary committee on May 12. The [second letter](#) was sent on May 27 to all members of Congress.

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:10 AM: GCCA [has encouraged members of Congress](#) to support the House of Representatives AG CHAIN ACT.

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:13 AM: The modifications to the Paycheck Protection Program are further detailed at <https://www.rollcall.com/2020/06/03/senate-may-act-on-ppp-bill-wednesday-but-risks-gop-objections/>

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:17 AM: While the FMCSA is extending its emergency declaration through July 14th, the agency has modified what types transportation are covered and food distribution will no longer be included. Read more at <https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/emergency/extension-and-modification-expanded-emergency-declaration-no-2020-002-under-49-cfr-ss>

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:19 AM: OSHA Guidance on Face Coverings in the workplace: <https://www.osha.gov/news/newsreleases/national/06102020>

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:20 AM: The U.S. Department of Agriculture is reporting that U.S. meatpacking facilities are operating at more than 95% of their 2019 capacity across the beef, pork and poultry sectors. Read the press release at <https://www.usda.gov/media/press-releases/2020/06/09/americas-meatpacking-facilities-operating-more-95-capacity-compared>

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:22 AM: The U.S. Meat Export Federation USMEF will host a series of training webinars for exporters covering a range of topics aimed at giving companies and their staff members a better understanding of the export process. Register for “Export 101” at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eaap-F17RxSaoQVqwXMy4w

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:25 AM: GCCA has aggregated several guidance documents on reopening business and sourcing PPE in a new document called our “COVID-19 Recovery Guide.” Find it at <https://www.gcca.org/resources/responding-coronavirus>

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:35 AM: GCCA has conducted a study on the impact of COVID-19 on the cold chain. Find key highlights from our COVID impact study at <https://www.gcca.org/about/press/key-findings-gcca%E2%80%99s-2020-covid-19-cold-chain-business-impact-survey-show-changes-ahead>.

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:36 AM: Register for our Virtual Policy Forum at www.gcca.org/events

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:47 AM: OSHA has updated guidance on COVID recordability in the workplace. It reinforces that COVID is a recordable illness but recognizes the difficulty of workplace determination given community spread. The memo is available at <https://www.osha.gov/memos/2020-05-19/revise-enforcement-guidance-recording-cases-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19>

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:50 AM: The Internal Revenue Service has more information on the Employee Retention Credit: <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/employee-retention-credit>

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:52 AM: Information on employee leave due to the absence of child care can be found at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic/ffcra-employee-paid-leave>

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:54 AM: The National Governors Association is tracking state-level response to the pandemic including plans to reopen businesses and loosen stay-at-home orders. Find the latest at <https://www.nga.org/coronavirus/#states>