Chat Log: COVID-19 Update from GCCA August 20, 2020

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:04 AM: The White House has announced four executive actions on payroll taxes, unemployment benefits, student loans and evictions. Read more in this summary provided by the Small Business Legislative Council:

https://www.gcca.org/sites/default/files/SBLC%20Alert%20-%20August%2013%202020. pdf

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:25 AM: GCCA has joined 480 organizations calling for congress to support the "SAFE TO WORK Act" which would provide liability protection from COVID-related lawsuits. Read the letter at https://www.instituteforlegalreform.com/uploads/sites/1/200730 Coalition S. 4317 SA FETOWORKAct Congress.pdf

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:26 AM: FDA has teamed up with OSHA to publish a checklist to assist the food industry during COVID-19. Find them on the FDA website at

https://www.fda.gov/food/cfsan-constituent-updates/fda-and-osha-team-publish-checklis t-assist-food-industry-during-covid-19.

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:28 AM: The state of Virginia has published several resources to help businesses comply with the new COVID 19 standard. They can be found here:

https://www.doli.virginia.gov/covid-19-outreach-education-and-training/

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:33 AM: There continues to be no scientific evidence that COVID-19 is spread through food or food packaging. Dr. Don Schaffner, Professor at Rutgers University and member of the GCCA Scientific Advisory Council, co-authored a study that reached that conclusion. Reference the findings at https://aem.asm.org/content/aem/early/2020/07/13/AEM.01244-20.full.pdf

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:34 AM: Catch a recap of our Virtual Policy Forum at

https://www.gcca.org/events/2020-cold-chain-policy-forum-recordings-and-slides

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:37 AM: See the results of our CEBA Business Impact Survey at

https://www.gcca.org/sites/default/files/Impacts%20of%20COVID-19%20on%20the%20 Cold%20Chain%20-%20CEBA%20-%20August%202020%20FINAL.pdf

Global Cold Chain Alliance (to All - Entire Audience): 10:39 AM: The National Governors Association is tracking state-level response to the pandemic. Find the latest at https://www.nga.org/coronavirus/#states