Overview of COVID-19 stimulus requests from key industries



Coal and mining

- Coal companies did not receive specific assistance in the CARES Act, Congress' third COVID-19 response bill
- The National Mining Association has requested a 55% reduction in the Black Lung Disability Trust Fund excise tax, as well as suspension of a mine cleanup fee
- If the trust fund tax is reduced, the fund would have to borrow from the federal government
- United Mine Workers of America has asked for coal worker virus protections



Manufacturing

- National Association of Manufacturers requested
 \$1.4 trillion for coronavirus resiliency
- This funding was not included in the third COVID-19 response bill
- The legislation did include other spending which could benefit the manufacturing industry, including \$350 billion for a Paycheck Protection Program and \$454 billion for the Exchange Stabilization Fund



Oil

- Congress debated including \$3 billion in oil purchases for the US Strategic Petroleum Reserve in the CARES Act
- Though this provision was not included in the final legislation, the Trump administration could continue to push for oil purchases



Renewable energy

- The CARES Act did not include renewable energy financial assistance, but relief for the renewable sector could be included in future COVID-19 response legislation
- The industry has requested two forms of federal assistance:
 extensions of "safe harbor" credit deadlines and conversion of some tax credits to refundable payments

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