

Smith Quoted in Story Titled “OSHA Warns of Fracking Sand Danger”

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Elizabeth T. Smith, a partner in the Vorys Columbus office, was quoted in a *Coshocton Tribune* story titled “OSHA Warns of Fracking Sand Danger.” The story was about an alert issued by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health about the sand used during hydraulic fracturing and the health risk it could pose for workers.

The story states:

“The alert first was issued in June 2012, but the research behind it was just published in the July issue of the Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene, said Elizabeth T. Smith, a partner with the Columbus-based law firm Vorys. Vorys published a memo this week to make sure its clients are aware of the situation and any steps they should be taking to minimize silica risks, Smith said.

‘I don’t think there’s a need to sound any kind of panic bell or anything like that,’ she said. ‘It’s really meant to be informative and make sure everyone is keeping up to speed on everything they need to be doing, particularly when it comes to government regulations and worker safety.’”

To read the entire story, visit the *Coshocton Tribune* [website](#).
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