

## **EPA 2014 REGULATORY AGENDA**

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The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 2014 plans to develop regulations aimed at addressing climate change, securing chemicals, providing clean water and improving air quality, according to an updated regulatory agenda posted November 26, 2013. The regulatory agenda, released by the White House Office of Management and Budget, outlines federal agencies' regulatory priorities for the coming months. Many of the EPA goals in the document are also included in the agency's draft strategic plan for fiscal years 2014-2018.

### **Taking Action on Toxics and Chemical Safety**

One of EPA's highest priorities is to make significant progress in assuring the safety of chemicals. Using sound science as a compass, EPA protects individuals, families and the environment from potential risks of pesticides and other chemicals. In its implementation of these programs, EPA uses several different statutory authorities, including the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and the Pollution Prevention Act (PPA), as well as collaborative and voluntary activities. In FY 2014, the Agency will continue to satisfy its overall directives under these authorities and highlights the following actions in this Regulatory Plan:

**EPA's Existing Chemicals Management Program Under TSCA.** As part of EPA's ongoing efforts to ensure the safety of chemicals, EPA plans to take a range of identified regulatory actions for certain chemicals and assess other chemicals to determine if risk reduction action is needed to address potential concerns.

**Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security.** In addition to the actions noted in this Regulatory Plan, the Executive Order 13650 on Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security directs federal agencies to work with stakeholders to improve chemical safety and security through agency programs, private sector initiatives, federal guidance, standards, and regulations. During the course of implementing this executive order, EPA, along with the Department of Homeland Security, including the National Protection and Programs Directorate, the Transportation Security Agency, and the United States Coast Guard; the Occupational Safety and Health Administration; the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms; the United States Department of Agriculture; and the United States Department of Transportation, will assess whether its regulations should be modified or new regulations developed to improve upon chemical safety and security. The EPA will initiate rulemaking if the assessment warrants it.

**EXCERPTS FROM Agency Rule List - Fall 2013**

EPA/OCSP	Proposed Rule Stage	CBI; PMN Amendments Claiming Chemical and Microorganism Identity as Confidential in Data from Health and Safety Studies Submitted Under TSCA Prior to the Commencement of Manufacture	2070-AJ87
EPA/OCSP	Proposed Rule Stage	CBI: Reassertion and Resubstantiation of Confidentiality Claims Submitted Under TSCA	2070-AJ90
EPA/OCSP	Proposed Rule Stage	Significant New Use Rule for Toluene Diisocyanates (TDI) and Related Compounds	2070-AJ91
EPA/OCSP	Proposed Rule Stage	Significant New Use Rules; Amendment of Hazard Communication Program and Worker Protection Requirements	2070-AJ94
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EPA/OCSP	Proposed Rule Stage	MDI and TDI; Health and Safety Data Reporting Under TSCA 8(d)	2070-AJ97
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EPA/OCSP	Final Rule Stage	Electronic Reporting under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)	2070-AJ75
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EPA/OCSP	Final Rule Stage	Electronic Reporting; Revisions to Notification Regulations for TSCA Section 5 Premanufacture and Significant New Use Notification	2070-AJ98