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# 1. Safe, Efficient Use and Preservation of the Navigable Airspace

Green

Popular Title: Safe Efficient Navigable Airspace

# RIN 2120-AH31

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication date 6/13/2006; End of Comment Period 9/11/2006.

**Abstract:** This rule would amend the regulations governing objects that may affect the navigable airspace. Specifically, the FAA would add notification requirements and obstruction standards for electromagnetic interference and amend the obstruction standards for civil airport imaginary surfaces to more closely align these standards with FAA airport design and instrument approach procedure criteria. In addition, the FAA would increase the number of days in which notice must be filed with the FAA before beginning construction or alteration; add and amend definitions for terms commonly used during the aeronautical evaluation process; and remove the provisions for public hearings and antenna farms. The FAA would retitle the rule and reformat it into sections that closely reflect the aeronautical study process. These changes incorporate case law and legislative action, and simplify the rule language. The intended effect of these changes is to improve safety and promote the efficient use of the National Airspace System. This rulemaking has been upgraded.

**Effects:** 

None

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/03/1988

#### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/01/2009		
To OMB	11/02/2009		
OMB Clearance	02/01/2010		
Publication Date	02/16/2010		

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

2. Aging Aircraft Program (Widespread Fatigue Damage)

Red

Popular Title: Aging Aircraft Widespread Fatigue

# RIN 2120-AI05

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 4/18/2006; End of Comment Period 7/17/2006; Extended Comment Period 7/17/2006; End of Extended Comment Period 9/18/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require design approval holders to establish limits of validity (LOVs) of the engineering data that support the maintenance programs for certain

transport category airplanes, and it would require them to determine if maintenance actions are needed to prevent widespread fatigue damage before an airplane reaches its LOV. This rulemaking would require operators of any affected airplane to incorporate the LOV into the airworthiness limitations section of the instructions for continued airworthiness. This rulemaking would also prohibit operation of an affected airplane beyond the LOV, unless an operator has incorporated an extended LOV and any necessary service information into its maintenance program.

#### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 02/14/2004

Docket Number: FAA-2006-24281

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/14/2007	10/01/2009	
To OMB	06/20/2007	11/02/2009	
OMB Clearance	09/20/2007	02/02/2010	
Publication Date	09/28/2007	02/18/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

#### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

3. Commuter Operations in Very Light Jets (VLJs)

Black

# Popular Title: VLJ

# RIN 2120-AI84

Stage: Undetermined

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish a rule to allow passenger-carrying commuter operations to be conducted under the provisions of part 135 using multiengine turbojets, certificated under either part 23 or part 25, configured with 9 or fewer passenger seats. The rulemaking would allow multiengine turbojet operators to provide commuter service to the traveling public, thus accommodating new techonologies and a new generation of turbojet airplanes that otherwise would not be allowed in part 135 commuter service. Since 1995, turbojets used in scheduled operations must operate under the provisions of part 121. This current rulemaking resulted, in part, from recommendations from the Aviation Rulemaking Committee for parts 14 CFR 135/125 and covers pilot crew, equipment, training, and dispatch requirements for the safe operation of this new generation airplane. The previous internet report listed this item as an NPRM with a scheduled publication date of 10/20/09. FAA is now reconsidering what action to take with respect to this rulemaking.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prompting action: None Legal Deadline: None

# **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 03/15/2006 **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for Undetermined:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

#### Explanation for any delay: N/A

#### Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Federal Aviation Administration

#### 4. **Re-registration and Renewal of Aircraft Registration**

Red

Popular Title: Re-registration & Renewal of Aircraft Registration

# RIN 2120-AI89

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 2/28/2008; End of Comment Period 8/28/2008

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend requirements concerning the registration of aircraft. The rulemaking is based on the need to increase and maintain the accuracy of aircraft registration information in the Civil Aviation Registry. This rulemaking would ensure aircraft owners periodically provide information regarding changes in registration. The rulemaking would respond to the concerns of law enforcement and other government agencies and would provide more accurate, up-to-date aircraft registration information to all users of the Civil Aviation Registry database.

# **Effects:**

Information Collection

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 11/30/2004

Docket Number: FAA-2008-0188

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/11/2009	05/28/2009	05/29/2009
Returned to Mode			07/10/2009
Resubmitted to OST			08/13/2009
To OMB	06/11/2009	10/29/2009	
OMB Clearance	09/11/2009	01/29/2010	
Publication Date	09/25/2009	02/14/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

# Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

#### 5. Automatic Dependent Surveillance - Broadcast (ADS-B) Equipage Mandate To Support Air Traffic Control Service

#### Popular Title: ADS-B RIN 2120-AI92

# Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 10/05/2007; End of Comment Period 11/19/07; Comment Period Extended 01/03/2008; End of Extended Comment Period 03/03/2008.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require Automatic Dependent Surveillance - Broadcast (ADS-B) Out equipment on aircraft to operate in certain classes of airspace within the United States National Airspace System. The rulemaking is necessary to accommodate the expected increase in demand for air transportation, as described in the Next Generation Air Transportation System Integrated Plan. The intended effect of this rule is to provide the Federal Aviation Administration with a comprehensive surveillance system that accommodates the anticipated increase in operations and would provide a platform for additional flight applications and services.

#### **Effects:**

Economically Significant Major Unfunded Mandate Regulatory Flexibility Act EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 09/26/2006

Docket Number: FAA-2007-29305

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/14/2009		
To OMB	01/14/2010		
OMB Clearance	04/14/2010		
Publication Date	04/28/2010		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

#### 6. Flight Crewmember Duty Limitations and Rest Requirements

Yellow

**Popular Title**: Duty Limitations And Rest Requirements **RIN 2120-AI93** 

Stage: Withdrawal

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 12/20/1995; End of Comment Period 03/19/1996; Comment Period Extended 3/20/1996; End of Extended Comment Period 6/19/1996.

Abstract: This rulemaking would withdraw a previously published NPRM (RIN 2120-

AF63) that proposed to establish one set of duty period limitations, flight time limitations, and rest requirements for flight crewmembers engaged in air transportation. The NPRM also proposed to establish consistent and clear duty period limitations, flight time limitations, and rest requirements for domestic, flag, supplemental, commuter and on-demand operations. This action is necessary, because (1) the NPRM is outdated and (2) there were many significant issues commenters raised.

#### **Effects:**

Economically Significant Major Unfunded Mandate Regulatory Flexibility Act

#### Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

#### Rulemaking Project Initiated: 11/28/1995

#### **Docket Number:**

# Dates for Withdrawal:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/02/2009		09/17/2009
Publication Approved	09/30/2009	10/27/2009	
Publication Date	10/06/2009	11/04/2009	

# Explanation for any delay: N/A

# Federal Register Citation for Withdrawal: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 7. Qualification, Service, and Use of Crewmembers and Aircraft Dispatchers Red

Popular Title: Part 121, Subparts N and O

# RIN 2120-AJ00

Stage: NPRM

# Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the regulations for crewmember and dispatcher training programs in domestic, flag, and supplemental operations. The rulemaking would enhance traditional training programs by requiring the use of flight simulation training devices for flight crewmembers and including additional training requirements in areas that are critical to safety. The rulemaking would also reorganize and revise the qualification and training requirements. The changes are intended to contribute significantly to reducing aviation accidents.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act Information Collection

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

#### Rulemaking Project Initiated: 03/12/1999

Docket Number: FAA-2008-0677

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally	New	Actual
	Scheduled	Projected	Date

	Date	Date	
To OST	04/27/2007	09/28/2007	10/03/2007
То ОМВ	05/29/2007	03/03/2008	03/06/2008
OMB Clearance	08/29/2007	07/03/2008	06/06/2008
Publication Date	09/10/2007	01/12/2009	01/12/2009
End of Comment Period	01/10/2008	05/12/2009	05/12/2009
Extension of Comment Period			04/20/2009
End of Extension of Comment Period			08/10/2009

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: 74 FR 1280

Federal Aviation Administration

#### 8. Airworthiness Standards: Aircraft Engine Standards Overtorque Limits

Popular Title: Overtorque Limits

# RIN 2120-AJ06

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 03/26/2008; End of Comment Period 06/24/2008

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the certification standards for aircraft engines to establish requirements for approval of maximum engine overtorque. Specifically, this rulemaking would add a new engine overtorque test, amend engine ratings and operating limits, and define maximum engine overtorque for certain turbopropeller and turboshaft engines. The rulemaking would harmonize applicable United States (U.S.) and European standards and simplify airworthiness approvals for import and export of aircraft engines. **Effects:** 

EU

**Prompting action:** None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/20/1998

Docket Number: FAA-2007-28502

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/27/2009	04/30/2009	03/31/2009
To OMB	03/27/2009	04/30/2009	05/14/2009
OMB Clearance	06/29/2009	08/14/2009	08/14/2009
Publication Date	07/13/2009	09/03/2009	09/02/2009

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: 74 FR 45307

Federal Aviation Administration

9. Safety Management Systems (SMS)

Popular Title: SMS RIN 2120-AJ15 Stage: ANPRM



Red

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require a Safety Management System (SMS) for FAA certificate holders, certain product manufacturers, applicants, and employers. This action is being taken to further enhance the practice of managing safety, conducting risk and system assessments and analysis, undertaking preventive and corrective actions, and creating a safety culture. The intended effect of this action would make the United States compliant with International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) annexes.

# **Effects:**

Information Collection

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

# Rulemaking Project Initiated: 09/25/2007

# **Docket Number:**

# Dates for ANPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/25/2008	02/17/2009	02/12/2009
Returned to Mode			04/15/2009
Resubmitted to OST			04/20/2009
To OMB	12/26/2008	07/24/2009	07/01/2009
OMB Clearance	03/26/2009	10/23/2009	07/17/2009
Publication Date	04/08/2009	11/05/2009	07/23/2009
End of Comment Period	06/08/2009	01/04/2010	10/21/2009

# Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

# Federal Register Citation for ANPRM: 74 FR 36414

Federal Aviation Administration

# 10. Pilot-in-Command Proficiency Check in Single-Piloted Turbojet Airplanes Red

# Popular Title: PIC Proficiency

# RIN 2120-AJ18

Stage: NPRM

# Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rule would require proficiency checks for pilots in command (PIC) of singlepiloted turbojet powered airplanes, allow pilot schools to use Internet-based training without requiring schools to have a physical ground training facility, allow pilot schools and provisional pilot schools to apply for a combined private pilot certification and instrument rating course, and revise the definitions of "complex airplane" and "high performance airplane." FAA believes these actions are necessary to respond to changes in the aviation industry and to avoid imposing unnecessary regulatory burdens. The intended effect of this rule would be to ensure flight crewmembers have the training and qualifications necessary to operate aircraft safely.

# **Effects:**

Information Collection

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 07/24/2007

# Docket Number:

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST		12/12/2008	12/22/2008
To OMB	03/09/2009	04/17/2009	05/01/2009
OMB Clearance	06/09/2009	08/01/2009	07/30/2009
Publication Date	06/23/2009	09/03/2009	08/31/2009
End of Comment Period	09/23/2009	11/03/2009	11/30/2009

Explanation for any delay: Unanticipated impacts requiring further analysis

# Federal Register Citation for NPRM: 74 FR 44779

Federal Aviation Administration

# 11. Certification of Turbojets

Red

Popular Title: Turbojets

RIN 2120-AJ22

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address certification and operational issues surrounding the introduction of light jets. This action is necessary to standardize certification requirements and consolidate these requirements into one location. The intent is to ensure the same standards apply to all light jets.

# Effects:

None

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

# Rulemaking Project Initiated: 01/02/2008

# **Docket Number:**

# **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/19/2009	03/09/2009	03/03/2009
To OMB	03/19/2009	04/03/2009	05/01/2009
OMB Clearance	06/19/2009	08/01/2009	07/31/2009
Publication Date	07/06/2009	08/13/2009	08/17/2009
End of Comment Period	10/06/2009	10/13/2009	11/16/2009

Explanation for any delay: Lack of staffing

# *Federal Register* Citation for NPRM: 74 FR 41522

Federal Aviation Administration

# 12. Supercooled Large Droplet Icing Conditions

Popular Title: Supercooled Large Droplet Icing Conditions RIN 2120-AJ34 Black

#### Stage: NPRM

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the airworthiness standards applicable to transport category airplanes certificated for flight in icing conditions and the icing airworthiness standards applicable to aircraft engines. The rulemaking would improve safety by taking into account supercooled large drop icing conditions for transport category airplanes most affected by supercooled large drop icing conditions. The rulemaking would also include mixed phase and ice crystal conditions for all transport category airplanes, and supercooled large drop, mixed phase, and ice crystal icing conditions for all turbine engines. This rulemaking is the result of information gathered from a review of icing accidents and incidents, and is intended to improve the level of safety for new airplane and engine designs for operations in icing conditions. This rulemaking has been upgraded.

# **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

#### **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 02/04/2008

# **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/15/2009		
To OMB	01/15/2010		
OMB Clearance	04/15/2010		
Publication Date	04/29/2010		
End of Comment Period	07/29/2010		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

Green

# 13. Flightcrew Alerting (Formerly Warning, Caution and Advisory Lights)

Popular Title: Flightcrew Alerting

# RIN 2120-AJ35

Stage: NPRM

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the airworthiness standards for transport category airplanes regarding definitions, prioritization, color requirements, and performance. These changes would update the latest technology and functionality concerning flightcrew alerting. This rulemaking is necessary to add additional alerting functions and to consolidate and standardize definitions and regulations for flightcrew warning, caution, and advisory systems.

#### **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: None

# Legal Deadline: None Rulemaking Project Initiated: 09/26/2000 Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:

#### Milestone Originally New Actual Scheduled Projected Date Date Date To OST 12/08/2008 12/08/2008 04/09/2009 To OMB 03/02/2009 04/15/2009 OMB Clearance 06/02/2009 07/09/2009 06/16/2009 Publication Date 06/16/2009 07/21/2009 07/09/2009 End of Comment Period 08/17/2009 09/21/2009 09/08/2009

#### Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: 74 FR 32810

Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14. Restrictions on Operators Employing Former Flight Standards Service Aviation Safety Inspectors

Yellow

Popular Title: Post Employment Restrictions

#### RIN 2120-AJ36

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would prohibit a certificate holder from employing or contracting with a former Aviation Safety Inspector (ASI) or other person with certificate holder oversight responsibilities to act as an agent or to represent that certificate holder in any matter before the FAA. This restriction would apply if the person, in the proceeding two year period, has (a) served as, or was responsible for oversight of, a Flight Standards Service ASI; and (b) had the responsibility to inspect, or oversee the inspection of, the operations of the certificate holder. The rulemaking would enhance the FAA's ability to properly perform its safety mission and to ensure that every passenger can have complete confidence in the integrity of the programs and operations administered by the FAA.

#### **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 06/16/2008

# Docket Number:

# **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	03/17/2009	04/01/2009	04/01/2009
Returned to Mode			04/29/2009
To OMB	04/17/2009	07/13/2009	07/29/2009
OMB Clearance	07/17/2009	10/29/2009	
Publication Date	07/31/2009	11/13/2009	
End of Comment Period	08/31/2009	12/13/2009	

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

#### 15. Airport Safety Management System

Popular Title: Airport SMS

RIN 2120-AJ38

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require airport operators to institute a safety management system at their airports. This action is necessary to improve safety through conformance with best practices in risk management and promote international harmonization with ICAO standards. The rule is intended to facilitate integration of formal risk management processes within the airport's day-to-day operations.

#### **Effects:**

Information Collection Peer Review

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 07/22/2008

#### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/17/2010		
To OMB	03/18/2010		
OMB Clearance	06/18/2010		
Publication Date	07/02/2010		
End of Comment Period	10/04/2010		

#### Explanation for any delay: N/A

# Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 16. Photo Requirements for Pilot Certificates

**Popular Title**: Photo Requirements

RIN 2120-AJ42

Stage: NPRM

# Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require digital photos on all pilot certificates. This action is necessary to update regulations about pilot plastic certificates. The intended effect of this action is to meet all requirements of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act.

# **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: Statute Legal Deadline: None Green



# Rulemaking Project Initiated: 09/30/2008 Docket Number:

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	<b>Date</b> 08/24/2009	09/23/2009	
To OMB	09/24/2009	10/23/2009	
OMB Clearance	12/24/2009	01/25/2010	
Publication Date	01/15/2010	02/16/2010	
End of Comment Period	04/15/2010	05/17/2010	

#### Explanation for any delay: N/A

# Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

#### 17. **Part 121 - Activation of Ice Protection**

Yellow

Popular Title: Part 121 - Ice Protection

# RIN 2120-AJ43

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the regulations applicable to operators of certain airplanes used in air carrier service and certificated for flight in icing conditions. The standards would require either the installation of ice detection equipment or changes to the Airplane Flight Manual to ensure timely activation of the airframe ice protection system. This regulation is the result of information gathered from a review of icing accidents and incidents, and it is intended to improve the level of safety when airplanes are operated in icing conditions.

# **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 12/08/1997

#### **Docket Number:**

# **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/24/2009		07/24/2009
To OMB	08/24/2009	09/16/2009	09/17/2009
OMB Clearance	11/24/2009	12/16/2009	
Publication Date	12/08/2009	12/23/2009	

# Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration



Popular Title: Production and Airworthiness Approvals

# RIN 2120-AJ44

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 10/05/2006; End of Comment Period 01/03/2007; Extended Comment Period Publication Date 12/20/06; End of Extended Comment Period Date 02/05/2007

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the certification procedures and identification requirements for aeronautical products and articles. These amendments would update and standardize those requirements for production approval holders (PAHs), revise export airworthiness approval requirements to facilitate global manufacturing, move all partmarking requirements from part 21 to part 45, and amend the identification requirements for products and articles is to continue to promote safety by ensuring that aircraft, and products and articles designed specifically for use in aircraft, wherever manufactured, meet appropriate minimum standards for design and construction. This rulemaking was split from RIN 2120-AI78.

# **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 06/04/2001

Docket Number: FAA-2006-25877

# **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	01/16/2009	05/15/2009	05/26/2009
To OMB	03/16/2009	07/06/2009	07/01/2009
OMB Clearance	06/16/2009	10/05/2009	09/30/2009
Publication Date	06/30/2009	10/17/2009	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

# Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 19. Part 129 Operations Specifications

Popular Title: Part 129 Ops Specs

# RIN 2120-AJ45

Stage: NPRM

# Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would clarify and standardize the rules for application, amendment, suspension or revocation of operations specifications issued to foreign air carriers operating in the United States. This action is necessary to update our processes for Operations Specifications. The intent of this action is to permit operations specifications to be easily revised and updated to meet international standards and the changing aviation environment.

#### **Effects:**

Yellow

#### EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** International Agreement **Legal Deadline:** None **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 10/02/2004

**Docket Number:** 

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/22/2009	08/24/2009	08/25/2009
Returned to Mode			09/29/2009
Resubmitted to OST			
To C-1	08/05/2009	09/08/2009	
To OMB	08/24/2009	09/25/2009	
OMB Clearance	11/24/2009	12/28/2009	
Publication Date	12/08/2009	01/11/2010	
End of Comment Period	03/08/2010	04/12/2010	

**Explanation for any delay: N/A** 

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

20. **Congestion Management Rule for John F. Kennedy International Airport** Yellow and Newark Liberty International Airport

Popular Title: JFK-EWR Congestion Management

# RIN 2120-AJ48

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication date 05/14/2009; End of Comment Period 06/15/2009.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would rescind the final rule on Congestion Management for John F. Kennedy International Airport and Newark Liberty International Airport. The final rule established procedures to address congestion in the New York City area by assigning slots at John F. Kennedy (JFK) and Newark Liberty (Newark) International Airports, assigning to existing operators the majority of slots at the airports, and creating a market by annually auctioning off a limited number of slots in each of the first five years of the rule. The final rule also contained provisions for minimum usage, capping unscheduled operations, and withdrawal for operational need. The rule was scheduled to sunset in ten years.

#### **Effects:**

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EU							
NAFTA							
Foreign							
Prompting action:	None						
Legal Deadline: No	one						
<b>Rulemaking Project</b>	Rulemaking Project Initiated: 01/22/2009						
<b>Docket Number:</b>	Docket Number:						
Dates for Final Rule:							
Milestone	Originally	New	Actual				

	Scheduled Date	Projected Date	Date
To OST	07/23/2009		07/24/2009
To OMB	08/24/2009	09/16/2009	09/15/2009
OMB Clearance	11/24/2009	12/16/2009	09/23/2009
Publication Date	12/08/2009	02/23/2010	

#### Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

#### 21. Congestion Management Rule for LaGuardia Airport

Yellow

Popular Title: LGA Congestion Management

# RIN 2120-AJ49

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication date 05/14/2009; End of Comment Period 06/15/2009.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would rescind the final rule on Congestion Management for LaGuardia Airport. The final rule established procedures to address congestion in the New York City area by assigning slots at LaGuardia Airport (LaGuardia), assigning to existing operators the majority of slots at the airports, and creating a market by annually auctioning off a limited number of slots in each of the first five years of the rule. The final rule also contained provisions for minimum usage, capping unscheduled operations, and withdrawal for operational need. The rule was scheduled to sunset in ten years.

**Effects:** 

EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 01/22/2009

#### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/23/2009		07/27/2009
To OMB	08/24/2009	09/16/2009	09/15/2009
OMB Clearance	11/24/2009	12/16/2009	09/23/2009
Publication Date	12/08/2009	02/23/2010	

# Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 22. Fatigue Tolerance Evaluation of Metallic Structures



Popular Title: Fatigue Tolerance Evaluation of Metallic Structure RIN 2120-AJ51 Stage: NPRM

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address advances in the fatigue tolerance evaluation safety requirements for transport category metallic structures. This action is necessary to avoid or reduce catastrophic fatigue failures. The intended effect is increased safety requirements and harmonization with international standards.

#### **Effects:**

Information Collection EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: None

# Legal Deadline: None

# **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 03/31/2009

#### Docket Number:

# **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/08/2009		09/15/2009
To OMB	10/08/2009	10/24/2009	
OMB Clearance	01/07/2010	01/25/2010	
Publication Date	01/21/2010	02/08/2010	
End of Comment Period	03/21/2010	04/08/2010	

# Explanation for any delay: N/A

# Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

23. Damage Tolerance and Fatigue Evaluation of Composite Rotorcraft Structures

Green

Popular Title: Damage Tolerance and Fatigue Eval of Composites

RIN 2120-AJ52

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address advances in composite structures technology. This action is necessary to avoid or reduce catastrophic fatigue failures. The intended effects are increased safety requirements as well as harmonization with international standards. This rulemaking has been upgraded to significant.

# **Effects:**

Information Collection

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

# Rulemaking Project Initiated: 07/09/2009

# **Docket Number:**

# **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally	New	Actual
	Scheduled	Projected	Date
	Date	Date	

To OST	11/11/2009	
To OMB	12/11/2009	
OMB Clearance	03/11/2010	
Publication Date	03/24/2010	
End of Comment Period	06/24/2010	

#### **Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 24. Air Ambulance and Commercial Helicopter Operations; Safety Initiatives Green and Miscellaneous Amendments

Popular Title: Helicopter Safety Initiatives and Misc Amendments

# RIN 2120-AJ53

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would change equipment and operating requirements for commercial helicopter operations, including many specifically for helicopter air ambulance operations. This rulemaking is necessary to increase crew, passenger, and patient safety. The intended effect is to implement the National Transportation Safety Board, Aviation Rulemaking Committee, and internal FAA recommendations.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 04/15/2009

#### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	01/29/2010		
To OMB	03/01/2010		
OMB Clearance	06/01/2010		
Publication Date	06/09/2010		
End of Comment Period	09/09/2010		

# Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 25. Flight and Duty Time Limitations and Rest Requirements

Green

Popular Title: Flight/Duty/Rest Requirements

RIN 2120-AJ58

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish one set of flight time limitations, duty period limits, and rest requirements for pilots. The rulemaking is necessary to ensure that pilots

have the opportunity to obtain sufficient rest to perform their duties. The objective of the rule is to contribute to and to improve aviation safety. This rulemaking is related to the following: an NPRM (RIN 2120-AF63), and a Withdrawal (RIN 2120-AI93).

#### **Effects:**

Economically Significant Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 06/24/2009

#### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/19/2009		
To OMB	11/24/2009		
OMB Clearance	12/24/2009		
Publication Date	12/31/2009		
End of Comment Period	04/30/2010		

# Explanation for any delay: N/A

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

# Federal Highway Administration

Federal Highway Administration

Red

#### 26. **Express Lane Demonstration Program**

Popular Title: Tolling

#### RIN 2125-AF07

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 09/20/2007; End of Comment Period 11/19/2007.

**Abstract:** Pursuant to SAFETEA-LU, this rulemaking would establish requirements, standards, or performance specifications for automated toll collection systems implemented under the Express Lanes Demonstration Program.

#### **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: Statute

Legal Deadline: Complete rulemaking : 02/06/2006

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/10/2005

Docket Number: FHWA-2006-23597

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/23/2008	10/10/2008	10/10/2008
Returned to Mode			12/02/2008
Resubmitted to OST			12/05/2008

Returned to Mode/2			12/20/2009
Resubmitted to OST/2		05/28/2009	05/06/2009
To OMB	07/23/2008	07/01/2009	07/17/2009
OMB Clearance	10/23/2008	10/17/2009	08/27/2009
Publication Date	11/07/2008	10/24/2009	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

#### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Highway Administration

# 27. Real-Time System Management Information Program

Red

Popular Title: Real-Time Management

# RIN 2125-AF19

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 1/14/2009; End of Comment Period 4/14/2009.

**Abstract:** This action would establish a real-time system management information program to provide, in all States, the capability to monitor, in real-time, the traffic and travel conditions of the major highways of the United States. Section 1201 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) provides that the purpose of this program would be to improve the security of the surface transportation system, to address the congestion problems facing motorists, to support improved response to weather events and surface transportation incidents and to facilitate national and regional highway traveler information.

**Effects:** 

Economically Significant Major

**Prompting action:** Statute

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/31/2006

Docket Number: FHWA-2006-24219

# **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	08/28/2009	10/13/2009	
To OMB	09/28/2009	11/30/2009	
OMB Clearance	12/28/2009	03/01/2010	
Publication Date	01/04/2010	03/12/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

# Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Highway Administration

# 28. National Tunnel Inspection Standards

Popular Title: Tunnel Inspection

RIN 2125-AF24

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: ANPRM: Publication Date 11/18/08; End of Comment Period 2/17/09.

# Green

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would revise 23 CFR Part 650 -- Bridges, Structures, and Hydraulics, by adding the National Tunnel Inspection Standards (NTIS) under Subpart E. We anticipate that the NTIS may be modeled after the existing National Bridge Inspection Standards and may include requirements for, among other things, inspection procedures, the qualifications and training of inspectors, and a National Tunnel Inventory.

# **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: None Legal Deadline: None Rulemaking Project Initiated: 01/30/2008 Docket Number: FHWA-2008-0038

# **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/22/2010	10/16/2009	
To OMB	03/22/2010	11/16/2009	
OMB Clearance	06/22/2010	02/16/2010	
Publication Date	07/23/2010	02/22/2010	
End of Comment Period	09/23/2010	04/22/2010	

# **Explanation for any delay:** N/A

# Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

#### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

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# 29. Unified Registration System

# Popular Title: URS

RIN 2126-AA22

#### Stage: SNPRM

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 8/26/96; End of Comment Period 10/25/96. NPRM: Publication Date 05/19/2005;End of Comment Period 08/17/2005.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would replace three current identification and registration systems: the US DOT number identification system, the commercial registration system, and the financial responsibility system, with an online Federal unified registration system (URS). This program would serve as a clearinghouse and depository of information on, and identification of, brokers, freight forwarders, and others required to register with the Department of Transportation. The Agency is revising this rulemaking to address amendments directed by SAFETEA-LU. The replacement system for the Single State Registration System, which the ICC Termination Act originally directed be merged under URS, will be addressed separately.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act Information Collection

**Prompting action:** Statute **Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 08/10/2006

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 01/01/1996



# **Docket Number:** FMCSA-97-2349

# **Dates for SNPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/02/2007	11/20/2009	
To OMB	03/08/2007	12/21/2009	
OMB Clearance	06/08/2007	03/22/2010	
Publication Date	06/29/2007	04/02/2010	
End of Comment Period	09/28/2007	07/02/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

# Federal Register Citation for SNPRM: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

 Application by Certain Mexico-Domiciled Motor Carriers to Operate
 Beyond U.S. Municipalities and Commercial Zones on the U.S.-Mexico Border

Red

# Popular Title: Mexico-Domiciled Motor Carriers

# RIN 2126-AA34

Stage: Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 05/03/2001; End of Comment Period 07/02/2001. Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 03/19/2002; End of Comment Period 04/18/2002.

Abstract: This rulemaking would change FMCSA regulations to govern applications by Mexican carriers to operate beyond municipalities and commercial zones at the United State-Mexico border. It would also revise the application form, OP-1MX, to be filed by these Mexican motor carriers. The revised form would require additional information about the applicant's business and operating practices to allow the FMCSA to determine if the applicant can meet the safety standards established for operating in interstate commerce in the United States. Carriers that had previously submitted an application would have to submit the updated form. These changes are needed to implement part of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). On January 16, 2003, the Ninth Circuit Court remanded this rule, along with two other NAFTA-related rules, to the agency, requiring a full environmental impact statement and an analysis required by the Clean Air Act. On June 7, 2004, the Supreme Court reversed the Ninth Circuit and remanded the case, holding that FMCSA is not required to prepare the environmental documents as ruled by the Ninth Circuit. FMCSA originally planned to publish a final rule by November 20, 2003. FMCSA will determine the next steps to be taken after enactment of any pending legislation authorizing cross border trucking.

# **Effects:**

Information Collection NAFTA

Prompting action: International Agreement

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 02/07/2001

Docket Number: FMCSA-98-3298

#### **Dates for Undetermined:**

Milestone

Actual

	Scheduled Date	Projected Date	Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

Explanation for any delay: Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

#### Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

#### 31. Safety Monitoring System and Compliance Initiative for Mexico-Domiciled Red Motor Carriers Operating in the United States

# Popular Title: Safety Monitoring

# RIN 2126-AA35

Stage: Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 05/03/2001; End of Comment Period 07/02/2001. Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 03/19/2002; End of Comment Period 04/18/2002.

**Abstract:** This rule would implement a safety monitoring system and compliance initiative designed to evaluate the continuing safety fitness of all Mexico-domiciled carriers within 18 months after receiving a provisional Certificate of Registration or provisional authority to operate in the United States. It also would establish suspension and revocation procedures for provisional Certificates of Registration and operating authority, and incorporate criteria to be used by FMCSA in evaluating whether Mexico-domiciled carriers exercise basic safety management controls. The interim rule included requirements that were not proposed in the NPRM but which are necessary to comply with the FY-2002 DOT Appropriations Act. On January 16, 2003, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals remanded this rule, along with two other NAFTA-related rules, to the agency, requiring a full environmental impact statement and an analysis required by the Clean Air Act. On June 7, 2004, the Supreme Court reversed the Ninth Circuit and remanded the case, holding that FMCSA is not required to prepare the environmental documents. FMCSA originally planned to publish a final rule by November 28, 2003. FMCSA will determine the next steps to be taken after enactment of any pending legislation authorizing cross border trucking.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act Federalism Information Collection NAFTA

Prompting action: International Agreement

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 02/07/2001

**Docket Number:** FMCSA-1998-3299

#### **Dates for Undetermined:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
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OMB Clearance		
Publication Approved		
Publication Date		
End of Comment Period		

Explanation for any delay: Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

# Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

# 32. Certification of Safety Auditors, Safety Investigators, and Safety Inspectors Red

Popular Title: Safety Auditors Certification

# RIN 2126-AA64

# Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 03/19/2002; End of Comment Period 05/20/2002; Extension of Compliance 06/17/02; End of Extended Compliance 07/17/02. IFR Extension of Statutory Compliance Date: Publication Date 7/28/2003. Notice of Environmental Assessment: Publication Date 10/02/2003; End of Comment Period 11/03/2003. Notice of Statutory Compliance Date: Publication Date 12/23/2003; Compliance Date 1/01/2004.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require that any safety inspection, safety audit, or compliance review be conducted by a certified inspector, auditor, or investigator. It is required by section 211 of the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act. Based on comments to the Interim Final Rule (IFR), the agency will issue a NPRM that addresses issues not clarified in the IFR.

# **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: Statute

Legal Deadline: NPRM : 12/09/2000

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/09/1999

Docket Number: FAA-2007-28100

# **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST		07/30/2010	
To OMB	08/08/2005	08/27/2010	
OMB Clearance	11/07/2005	11/29/2010	
Publication Date	11/14/2005	12/03/2010	
End of Comment Period	01/13/2006	02/03/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Unanticipated impacts requiring further analysis Other, higher priorities

Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

# Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

33. Limitations on the Issuance of Commercial Driver Licenses with a Hazardous Materials Endorsement

# RIN 2126-AA70

Stage: Interim Final Rule/4

**Previous Stage:** Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 05/05/2003; End of Comment Period 07/07/2003. IFR Delay of Compliance Date: Publication Date 11/07/2003; End of Comment Period 01/06/2004. IFR Delay of Compliance Date: Publication Date 08/19/2004; Interim Final Rule/3: Publication Date 08/19/2004.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would prohibit States from issuing, renewing, transferring or upgrading a commercial driver's license (CDL) with a hazardous materials endorsement, unless the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has first conducted a background check on the applicant and determined the applicant does not pose a security risk warranting denial of the hazardous materials endorsement. FMCSA and TSA simultaneously published interim final rules. FMCSA has published another IFR corresponding to TSA's extension of compliance date. Since this rulemaking conforms to TSA's rulemaking, the rulemaking is dependent upon TSA action. This action is considered significant because of substantial public and congressional interest, and national security.

#### **Effects:**

NAFTA

Prompting action: Statute

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/26/2001

Docket Number: FMCSA-2001-11117

**Dates for Interim Final Rule/4:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	03/22/2005		03/21/2005
To OMB			04/14/2005
OMB Clearance			04/25/2005
Publication Approved	05/26/2005		04/25/2005
Publication Date	05/31/2005		04/29/2005

#### Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Interim Final Rule/4: 70 FR 22268

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

#### 34. Brokers of Household Goods Transportation by Motor Vehicle

Red

Popular Title: Household Goods Brokers

#### **RIN 2126-AA84**

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 12/22/2004; End of Comment Period 02/22/2005. NPRM: Publication date 2/8/2007; End of Comment Period 5/9/2007

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address the American Moving and Storage Association's petition for rulemaking and implement certain provisions of Subtitle B of SAFETEA-LU. FMCSA would determine in this rulemaking whether 49 CFR part 371 needs to be amended to protect consumers against unscrupulous brokers of household goods.

**Effects:** 

Information Collection

Prompting action: Statute

# Legal Deadline: Final Rule : 08/10/2006 Rulemaking Project Initiated: 05/12/2003 Docket Number: FMCSA-2004-17008

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/01/2008	05/17/2010	
To OMB	11/01/2008	06/18/2010	
OMB Clearance	02/01/2009	09/20/2010	
Publication Date	03/01/2009	09/27/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary Other, higher priorities

#### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

#### 35. Electronic On-Board Recorders for Hours-of-Service Compliance

Red

Popular Title: Electronic On-Board Recorders

#### RIN 2126-AA89

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 9/01/2004; End of Comment Period 11/30/2004. NPRM: Publication Date 01/18/2007;End of Comment Period 04/18/2007.

Abstract: This rulemaking would amend the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) to incorporate new performance standards for electronic on-board recorders (EOBRs) installed in commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) manufactured 2 years after the effective date of a final rule. On-board hours-of-service recording devices meeting FMCSA 's current requirements and voluntarily installed in CMVs manufactured before that date could continue to be used for the remainder of the service life of those CMVs. Motor carriers that have demonstrated a history of serious noncompliance with the hours-of-service (HOS) rules would be subject to mandatory installation of EOBRs meeting the new performance standards (a remedial directive). The motor carrier would then be required to install EOBRs in all of its CMVs regardless of their date of manufacture and to use the devices for HOS recordkeeping for a period of 2 years, unless the carrier already had equipped its vehicles with automatic on-board recording devices (AOBRDs) meeting the Agency's current requirements under 49 CFR 395.15 and could demonstrate to FMCSA that its drivers understand how to use the devices. FMCSA would encourage industry-wide use of EOBRs by providing the following incentives for motor carriers to voluntarily use EOBRs in their CMVs: Revising the Agency's compliance review procedures to permit examination of a random sample of drivers' records of duty status; and providing partial relief from HOS supporting documents requirements, if certain conditions are satisfied.

#### **Effects:**

Economically Significant Major Information Collection Privacy Peer Review

Prompting action: Court Action Legal Deadline: None Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/09/2004

#### Docket Number: FMCSA-2004-18940

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/03/2008		09/03/2008
To OMB	06/05/2008	11/13/2008	11/10/2008
Withdrawn from OMB		01/23/2009	01/23/2009
Resubmitted to OST			04/27/2009
Resubmitted to OMB		10/09/2009	
OMB Clearance	09/05/2008	01/11/2010	
Publication Date	09/19/2008	01/25/2010	

#### Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Other, higher priorities

Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

#### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

# 36. Qualifications of Drivers; Diabetes Standard

Black

Popular Title: Diabetes Standard

# RIN 2126-AA95

Stage: Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 03/17/2006;End of Comment Period 06/15/2006. Undetermined: Publication Approved ;Publication Date ;End of Comment Period .

**Abstract:** This rulemaking action would amend FMCSA's medical qualification standards to allow drivers with insulin-treated diabetes mellitus to operate commercial motor vehicles in interstate commerce, without seeking an exemption from the FMCSRs. This action is required by PL 109-59 (2005) Section 4129.

#### **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: Statute

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/10/2005

Docket Number: FMCSA-2005-23151

#### **Dates for Undetermined:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

# 37. National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners

Popular Title: National Registry

#### RIN 2126-AA97

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 12/01/08; End of Comment Period 01/30/09

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish training, testing and certification standards for medical examiners responsible for certifying that interstate commercial motor vehicle drivers meet established physical qualifications standards; provide a database (or National Registry) of medical examiners that meet the prescribed standards for use by motor carriers, drivers, and Federal and State enforcement personnel in determining whether a medical examiner is qualified to conduct examinations of interstate truck and bus drivers; and require medical examiners to transmit electronically to FMCSA the name of the driver and a numerical identifier for each driver that is examined. The rulemaking would also establish the process by which medical examiners that fail to meet or maintain the minimum standards would be removed from the National Registry. This action is in response to section 4116 of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users.

#### **Effects:**

Major Unfunded Mandate Regulatory Flexibility Act Information Collection Privacy

**Prompting action:** Statute

Legal Deadline: Final Rule : 08/10/2006

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/10/2005

#### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/21/2009	01/18/2010	
To OMB	01/21/2010	02/19/2010	
OMB Clearance	04/21/2010	05/19/2010	
Publication Date	05/05/2010	05/31/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

#### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

#### 38. **Consumer Complaint Information**

Red

Popular Title: Consumer Complaint Information

#### RIN 2126-AB01

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 02/20/2008; End of Comment Period 4/21/2008.

**Abstract:** The rulemaking would require each motor carrier of household goods to submit a quarterly report of specific identified information. This rule responds to SAFETEA-LU.

**Effects:** 

Information Collection Privacy

Prompting action: Statute

Legal Deadline: NPRM : 08/10/2005

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/10/2005

**Docket Number:** FMCSA-2008-0029

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	08/23/2010		
To OMB	09/24/2010		
OMB Clearance	12/24/2010		
Publication Date	01/07/2011		

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

# Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

# 39. Commercial Driver's License Testing and Commercial Learner's Permit Standards

Red

Popular Title: Commercial Learner's Permit

# RIN 2126-AB02

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 4/9/2008 ;End of Comment Period 6/9/2008; End of Extended Comment Period 7/9/2008.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish revisions to the commercial driver's license knowledge and skills testing standards as required by section 4019 of TEA-21, implement fraud detection and prevention initiatives at the State driver licensing agencies as required by the SAFE Port Act of 2006, and establish new minimum Federal standards for States to issue commercial learner's permits (CLPs), based in part on the requirements of section 4122 of SAFETEA-LU. In addition, to ensuring the applicant has the appropriate knowledge and skills to operate a commercial motor vehicle, this rule would establish the minimum information that must be on the CLP document and the electronic driver's record. The rule would also establish maximum issuance and renewal periods, establish a minimum age limit, address issues related to a driver's State of Domicile, and incorporate previous regulatory guidance into the Federal regulations. This rule would also address issues raised in the SAFE Port Act.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act Federalism Information Collection

Prompting action: Statute Legal Deadline: Final Rule : 04/13/2008 Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/10/2005 Docket Number: FMCSA-2007-27659 Dates for Final Rule:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/01/2009	12/08/2009	
To OMB	10/30/2009	01/08/2010	
OMB Clearance	01/29/2010	04/09/2010	
Publication Date	02/19/2010	04/30/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

#### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

# 40. Minimum Training Requirements for Entry Level Commercial Motor Vehicle Operations

Red

**Popular Title**: Entry Level Driver Training

#### RIN 2126-AB06

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 12/26/2007; End of Comment Period 3/28/2008; Publication Date for Extension of Comment Period 3/21/2008; End of Extended Comment Period 5/23/2008.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require behind-the-wheel and classroom training for persons who must hold a commercial driver's license to operate commercial motor vehicles. This action is in response to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit's December 2005 decision remanding the May 21, 2004, Final Rule, "Minimum Training Requirements for Entry-Level Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators" to the Agency for further consideration. The rulemaking will consider the effectiveness of CMV driver training in reducing crashes, the appropriate types and levels of training that should be mandated, and related costs.

#### **Effects:**

Economically Significant Major Federalism

Prompting action: Court Action

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 04/19/2006

Docket Number: FMCSA-2007-27748

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/16/2009	01/16/2010	
To OMB	11/16/2009	02/16/2010	
OMB Clearance	02/16/2010	05/17/2010	
Publication Date	02/26/2010	05/27/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Unanticipated impacts requiring further analysis

# Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

#### 41. Carrier Safety Fitness Determination

#### Popular Title: CSA 2010 Carrier Safety Fitness Determination

#### RIN 2126-AB11

Stage: NPRM

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would revise 49 CFR Part 385, Safety Fitness Procedures, in accordance with the Agency's major new initiative, Comprehensive Safety Analysis (CSA) 2010. CSA 2010 is a new operational model FMCSA plans to implement that is designed to help the Agency carry out its compliance and enforcement programs more efficiently and effectively. Currently, the safety fitness rating of a motor carrier is determined based on the results of a very labor intensive compliance review conducted at the carrier's place of business. Aside from roadside inspections and new audits, the compliance review is the Agency's primary intervention. Under CSA 2010, FMCSA would propose to implement a broader array of progressive interventions, some of which allow FMCSA to make contact with more carriers. Through this rulemaking FMCSA would establish safety fitness determinations based on safety data consisting of crashes, inspections, and violation history rather than the standard compliance review. This will enable the Agency to assess the safety performance of a greater segment of the motor carrier industry with the goal of further reducing large truck and bus crashes and fatalities.

#### **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 06/21/2007

Docket Number: FMCSA-2004-18898

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/12/2007	10/02/2009	09/25/2009
To OMB	12/15/2007	11/02/2009	
OMB Clearance	03/15/2008	02/05/2010	
Publication Date	03/29/2008	02/19/2010	
End of Comment Period	06/29/2008	05/19/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

42. New Entrant Safety Assurance Process: Implementation of Section 210(b) Green of the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act of 1999

**Popular Title**: MCSIA 210(b)

# RIN 2126-AB17

Stage: ANPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would consider methods for ensuring a new applicant carrier is knowledgeable about the applicable safety requirements before being granted New Entrant

authority. The agency is considering whether to implement a proficiency examination as part of its revised New Entrant Safety Assurance Process as well as other alternatives. This rulemaking responds to issues raised by Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety regarding new entrant applicant knowledge.

#### **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 04/28/2009

# **Docket Number:**

# **Dates for ANPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/11/2009		06/12/2009
To OMB	07/13/2009	08/05/2009	07/29/2009
OMB Clearance	10/13/2009	11/05/2009	08/12/2009
Publication Date	10/27/2009	11/15/2009	08/25/2009
End of Comment Period	01/27/2010	10/26/2009	10/26/2009

# Explanation for any delay: N/A

# Federal Register Citation for ANPRM: 74 FR 42833

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

43. CMV Driver Positive Controlled Substances and Alcohol Test Results Database

Green

Popular Title: CMV Driver Drug Testing Database

# RIN 2126-AB18

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would create a central database for verified positive controlled substances and alcohol test results for commercial driver's license (CDL) holders and refusals by such drivers to submit to testing. This rulemaking would require employers of CDL holders and service agents to report positive test results and refusals to test into the database. Prospective employers, acting on an application for a CDL driver position with the applicant's written consent to access the database, would query the database to determine if any specific information about the specific driver applicant is in the database before allowing the applicant to be hired and to drive CMVs. This rulemaking is intended to increase highway safety by ensuring CDL holders, who have tested positive or have refused to submit to testing, have completed the U.S. DOT's return-to-duty process before driving CMVs in interstate or intrastate commerce.

# **Effects:**

Information Collection Privacy

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 05/15/2009

**Docket Number:** 

# **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/01/2010		
To OMB	03/01/2010		
OMB Clearance	05/31/2010		
Publication Date	06/18/2010		
End of Comment Period	09/30/2010		

# **Explanation for any delay:** N/A

# Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

44. Drivers of Commercial Motor Vehicles: Limiting the Use of Wireless Communication Devices

Black

Popular Title: Texting

# RIN 2126-AB22

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would ban text messaging and restrict the use of cell phones while operating a commerical motor vehicle. This rulemaking is in response to Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration-sponsored studies that analyzed safety incidents and distracted drivers. This rulemaking would also address the National Transportation Safety Board's "Most Wanted List" of safety recommendations.

# **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

#### Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 09/11/2009

# **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

#### Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

#### Federal Railroad Administration

Federal Railroad Administration

Red

# **Popular Title**: Roadway Worker Protection; Adjacent-Track On-Track

# RIN 2130-AB96

Stage: NPRM

# Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would simplify the determination regarding whether or not adjacent track protection is required for roadway work groups engaged in large-scale maintenance or construction, pursuant to 49 CFR Part 214. The recent increase in roadway worker fatalities that have occurred on adjacent track has caused some concern at FRA and throughout the industry, even prompting the filing of a petition for emergency order. FRA issued a notice of safety advisory to address the issue in May of 2004; however, it appears that the effects were not long-lasting. This rulemaking is based on the consensus language developed through the Roadway Worker Protection (RWP) Working Group of FRA's Railroad Safety Advisory Committee (RSAC).

# **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/20/2008

Docket Number: FRA-2008-0059

# **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	Date
To OST			11/14/2008
Returned to Mode			11/20/2008
Resubmitted to OST	03/02/2009	04/09/2009	04/03/2009
Returned to Mode/2			04/15/2009
Resubmitted to OST/2		05/05/2009	05/05/2009
Returned to Mode/3			05/29/2009
Resubmitted to OST/3		08/06/2009	08/05/2009
To OMB	04/03/2009	08/13/2009	08/06/2009
OMB Clearance	07/06/2009	11/13/2009	
Publication Date	07/22/2009	11/18/2009	
End of Comment Period	09/21/2009	01/18/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

# Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Railroad Administration

46. Safety Appliance Standards, Miscellaneous Revisions

Red

Popular Title: Safety Appliance Standards, Miscellaneous Revision

RIN 2130-AB97

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would revise the Federal Railroad Administration's Safety Appliance regulations in 49 CFR part 231 to provide greater flexibility to the industry in creating new car designs while also advancing the safety of those persons who are engaged

in activities requiring them to work on and around safety appliance apparatuses. FRA would add a process to the Safety Appliance regulations that would allow an alternative method of compliance. Under this process, railroad industry representatives could submit requests for special approval to build new rail cars in accordance with existing industry safety appliance standards. This rulemaking's designation was upgraded to significant by OMB.

# **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision Legal Deadline: None Rulemaking Project Initiated: 07/01/2008 Docket Number: FRA-2008-0116

# **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/11/2009	11/02/2009	
To OMB	06/04/2009	11/30/2009	
OMB Clearance	09/02/2009	03/01/2010	
Publication Date	09/11/2009	03/09/2010	
End of Comment Period	11/10/2009	05/10/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Lack of resources

# Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Railroad Administration

# 47. **Positive Train Control**

Green

# Popular Title: Positive Train Control Implementation

# **RIN 2130-AC03**

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 07/21/2009; End of Comment Period 08/20/2009.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would regulate the submission of Positive Train Control plans; the implementation of the Positive Train Control Systems; and the qualification, installation, maintenance and use of the these systems required under 49 USC 20157 or specifically required by the Federal Railroad Administration.

#### **Effects:**

Economically Significant Major Regulatory Flexibility Act

# **Prompting action:** Statute

Legal Deadline: None

# Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/16/2008

# **Docket Number:**

# **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/13/2009		
To OMB	10/16/2009		

OMB Clearance	10/26/2009	
Publication Date	10/30/2009	

#### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Railroad Administration

48. Alcohol and Controlled Substance Testing for Maintenance-of-Way Employees

Green

Popular Title: Controlled Substance Testing/Maintenance Employees

#### **RIN 2130-AC10**

Stage: NPRM

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would revise the Federal Railroad Administration's alcohol and drug regulations to cover all employees of railroads, railroad contractors, and subcontractors who perform maintenance-of-way activities. The rulemaking would also make other miscellaneous updates to 14 CFR Part 219.

#### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 10/16/2010

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/16/2008

Docket Number: FRA-2009-0039

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/08/2009	11/09/2009	
To OMB	10/07/2009	12/07/2009	
OMB Clearance	01/05/2010	03/08/2010	
Publication Date	01/13/2010	03/15/2010	
End of Comment Period	03/15/2010	05/17/2010	

#### **Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Railroad Administration

#### 49. Risk Reduction Program

Popular Title: Risk Reduction Program

#### RIN 2130-AC11

Stage: ANPRM

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require railroads to submit Risk Reduction Programs for review and approval to the FRA Administrator. These programs would be reviewed for annual compliance. The rulemaking would also ensure that railroads comply with their Positive Train Control (PTC) schedules and ensure railroads implement PTC by December 31, 2018, except as required by § 104 of the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008.

**Effects:** 

Green

Economically Significant Major

Prompting action: Statute

Legal Deadline: Final Rule : 10/16/2012

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/16/2008

Docket Number: FRA-2009-0038

#### **Dates for ANPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	04/02/2010		
To OMB	05/03/2010		
OMB Clearance	05/17/2010		
Publication Date	05/25/2010		
End of Comment Period	07/26/2010		

#### **Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for ANPRM: None

Federal Railroad Administration

50. Hours of Service - Passenger Train Employees

Green

Popular Title: Hours of Service - Passenger Train Employees

#### **RIN 2130-AC15**

Stage: NPRM

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish hours of service requirements for train employees engaged in commuter and intercity passenger rail transport.

#### **Effects:**

Economically Significant Major Information Collection

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 10/16/2011

#### Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/16/2008

#### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/12/2009		
То ОМВ	12/10/2009		
OMB Clearance	03/10/2010		
Publication Date	03/18/2010		
End of Comment Period	05/18/2010		

#### Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Maritime Administration

Regulations To Be Followed by All Departments, Agencies and Shippers
51. Having Responsibility To Provide a Preference for U.S.-Flag Vessels in the Shipment of Cargoes on Ocean Vessels.

Black

Popular Title: Cargo Preference

#### RIN 2133-AB74

Stage: Undetermined

Previous Stage: ANPRM: Publication Date 03/04/09; End of Comment Period 05/04/09

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would revise and clarify the Cargo Preference rules that have not been revised substantially since 1971. Revisions would include an updated purpose and definitions section along with the removal of obsolete provisions.

**Effects:** 

Information Collection Foreign

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

#### Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/21/2008

#### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for Undetermined:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Maritime Administration

52. Cargo Preference - Compromise, Assessment, Mitigation, Settlement & Yell Collection of Civil Penalties

Yellow

Popular Title: Cargo Preference Statutory Changes

#### RIN 2133-AB75

Stage: NPRM

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish Part 383 of the Cargo Preference regulations. This rulemaking would cover P.L. 110-417, Section 3511 National Defense Authorization Act for FY2009 statutory changes to the cargo preference rules, which have not been substantially revised since 1971. The rulemaking also would include compromise, assessment, mitigation, settlement, and collection of civil penalties.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Information Collection Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 01/16/2009

### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/16/2009	11/02/2009	
To OMB	07/16/2009	12/01/2009	
OMB Clearance	10/16/2009	03/05/2010	
Publication Date	10/21/2009	03/31/2010	
End of Comment Period	12/21/2009	05/31/2010	

#### **Explanation for any delay:** N/A

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

#### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

### 53. Ejection Mitigation

Popular Title: Ejection Mitigation

#### RIN 2127-AK23

Stage: NPRM

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would create a new Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) for reducing occupant ejection. Currently, there are over 52,000 annual ejections in motor vehicle crashes, and over 10,000 ejected fatalities per year. This rulemaking would propose new requirements for reducing occupant ejection through passenger vehicle side widows. The requirement would be an occupant containment requirement on the amount of allowable excursion through passenger vehicle side windows. The SAFETEA-LU legislation requires that: "[t]he Secretary shall also initiate a rulemaking proceeding to establish performance standards to reduce complete and partial ejections of vehicle occupants from outboard seating positions. In formulating the standards the Secretary shall consider various ejection mitigation systems. The Secretary shall issue a final rule under this paragraph no later than October 1, 2009."

#### **Effects:**

Economically Significant Major Unfunded Mandate EU NAFTA Foreign **Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 10/01/2009 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005 Red

# Docket Number:

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	04/30/2008	06/15/2009	06/08/2009
To OMB	06/30/2008	08/11/2009	08/26/2009
OMB Clearance	09/25/2008	11/11/2009	
Publication Date	09/28/2008	11/16/2009	
End of Comment Period	11/30/2008	01/17/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

54. Federal Motor Vehicles Safety Standard No. 111, Rearview Mirrors

Green

Popular Title: Rearview Mirrors

#### RIN 2127-AK43

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: ANPRM: Publication Date 03/04/09; End of Comment Period 05/04/09

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend Federal Motor Vehicle Standard No. 111; Rearview Mirrors, to reflect requirements contained in the Cameron Gulbransen Kids Transportation Safety Act of 2007. The Act requires that NHTSA expand the required field of view to enable the driver of a motor vehicle to detect areas behind the motor vehicle to reduce death and injury resulting from backing incidents, particularly incidents involving small children and disabled persons. According to the Act, such a standard may be met by the provision of additional mirrors, sensors, cameras, or other technology to expand the driver's field of view.

#### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: Statute

Legal Deadline: Initiate rulemaking : 02/28/2009 Publish Final Rule : 02/28/2011

### Rulemaking Project Initiated: 11/06/2008

### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/17/2009	10/28/2009	
То ОМВ	11/26/2009	11/26/2009	
OMB Clearance	02/25/2010	02/25/2010	
Publication Date	02/28/2010	02/28/2010	
End of Comment Period	04/27/2010	04/27/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

#### 55. **Tire Fuel Efficiency Consumer Information**

Green

**Popular Title**: Tire Fuel Efficiency Consumer Information **RIN 2127-AK45** 

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 06/22/2009; End of Comment Period 8/21/2009.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish a new program that would make information about the relative rolling resistance of tires available to purchasers of replacement tires and educate consumers about the effect of tires on automobile fuel efficiency, safety, and durability. The agency is required by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to establish a national tire fuel efficiency consumer information program for replacement tires designed for use on motor vehicles. Vehicle manufacturers often use low rolling resistance tires on new vehicles to help meet CAFE goals. This rulemaking is significant because it has a statutory mandate and it relates to fuel efficiency.

**Effects:** 

EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: Statute

Legal Deadline: Publish Final Rule : 12/18/2009

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 12/18/2007

**Docket Number:** 

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/21/2009	10/12/2009	
To OMB	10/15/2009	11/01/2009	
OMB Clearance	12/15/2009	12/15/2009	
Publication Date	12/18/2009	12/18/2009	

### Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

56.Passenger Car and Light Truck Corporate Average Fuel Economy<br/>Standards MYs 2012-2016

Red

Popular Title: CAFE 2012-2016

#### RIN 2127-AK50

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards for light trucks and passenger cars for model years 2012-2016. CAFE standards must be set at least 18 months prior to the start of a model year.

#### **Effects:**

**Economically Significant** 

Major Unfunded Mandate EIS EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final rule for Model Year 2012 : 04/01/2010

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/01/2007

**Docket Number:** 

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/26/2009	08/25/2009	08/25/2009
To OMB	06/26/2009	08/25/2009	08/25/2009
OMB Clearance	09/25/2009	09/11/2009	09/15/2009
Publication Date	09/29/2009	09/18/2009	09/28/2009
End of Comment Period	11/29/2009	11/18/2009	11/27/2009

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: 74 FR 49453

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

#### 57. **FMVSS No. 118 Automatic Reversal Systems**

Yellow

Popular Title: Automatic Reversal Systems

RIN 2127-AK52

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require automatic reversal systems (ARS) only on those windows that close without continuous actuation of the window switch by the window operator. Additionally, in order to provide comprehensive information on the subject and, to reflect requirements contained in the Cameron Gulbransen Kids Transportation Safety Act of 2007, NHTSA will provide consumers with information regarding which vehicles are equipped with ARS. NHTSA expects to provide this information on www.safercar.gov by October 2009.

#### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Initiate rulemaking : 08/28/2009

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 06/25/2009

#### **Docket Number:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date

To OST	07/10/2009	07/20/2009	07/20/2009
To OMB	07/27/2009	08/27/2009	08/10/2009
OMB Clearance	08/26/2009	10/27/2009	08/26/2009
Publication Date	08/28/2009	11/01/2009	09/01/2009
End of Comment Period	10/27/2009	01/03/2010	11/02/2009

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: 74 FR 45143

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

#### Require Installation of Seat Belts on Motorcoaches, FMVSS No. 208 58.

Green

Popular Title: Seat Belts on Motorcoaches

#### **RIN 2127-AK56**

Stage: NPRM

#### Previous Stage:None

Abstract: This rulemaking would require the installation of lap/shoulder belts in newlymanufactured motorcoaches. Specifically, this rulemaking would establish a new definition for motorcoaches in 49 CFR Part 571.3. It would also amend Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 208, "Occupant crash protection," to require the installation of lap/shoulder belts at all driver and passenger seating positions. It would also require the installation of lap/shoulder belts at driver seating positions of large school buses in FMVSS No. 208. This rulemaking responds, in part, to recommendations made by the National Transportation Safety Board for improving bus safety.

**Effects:** 

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/12/2009

#### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/23/2009	10/23/2009	
To OMB	10/24/2009	12/05/2009	
OMB Clearance	01/25/2010	03/04/2010	
Publication Date	02/05/2010	03/15/2010	
End of Comment Period	04/05/2010	05/14/2010	

#### **Explanation for any delay:** N/A

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

#### 59.

Requirements and Procedures for Consumer Assistance to Recycle and Save Program; Notice 2

Green

#### RIN 2127-AK61

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This final rule amends the regulation implementing the Consumer Assistance to Recycle and Save (CARS) Program, published on July 29, 2009, in the Federal Register, under the CARS Act. The rule adds an exception process for registered dealers who were prevented from submitting an application for reimbursement for a qualifying transaction prior to the announced August 25, 2009 deadline due to problems associated with the CARS electronic transaction system.

#### **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 09/18/2009

#### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/17/2009		09/17/2009
To OMB	09/21/2009		09/21/2009
OMB Clearance	09/25/2009		09/25/2009
Publication Date	09/30/2009		09/28/2009

#### **Explanation for any delay:** N/A

#### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: 74 FR 49338

#### **Office of the Secretary**

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60.	Accessibility of Passenger Vessels to Individuals with Disabilities	Green	1

Popular Title: Accessibility-passenger vessels

#### RIN 2105-AB87

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 11/29/2004;End of Comment Period 03/28/2005;Publication Date for Extension of Comment Period 03/28/2005;End of Extended Comment Period 07/28/2005. NPRM: Publication Date 1/23/2007; End of Comment Period 4/23/2007; Extension of Comment Period 4/13/2007; End of Extended Comment Period 6/22/2007; Reopening of Comment Period 4/8/2006; End of Reopened Comment Period 4/23/2008.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address accessibility issues and propose feasible requirements to make passenger vessels accessible to, and usable by, individuals with disabilities. The Department's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) final rule, published September 6, 1991, reserved portions of the rule concerning passenger vessels. The ADA covers passenger vessels, but issuing accessibility requirements for vessels involves complex issues unlike those affecting land transportation.

#### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: Statute

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 07/26/1990

Docket Number: OST-2007-26829

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/24/2009	10/05/2009	09/17/2009
To OMB	07/23/2009	11/15/2009	
OMB Clearance	10/23/2009	02/15/2010	
Publication Date	11/25/2009	03/01/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Office of the Secretary

#### 61. Aviation Data Requirements Review and Modernization Program

Black

# Popular Title: Aviation Data RIN 2105-AC71

Stage: Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 07/15/1998; End of Comment Period 09/14/1998; End of Reply Comment Period 10/13/1998. NPRM: Publication Date 02/17/2005;End of Comment Period 04/18/2005;Extension of Comment Period Publication Date 07/18/2005; End of Extended Comment Period 9/18/2005.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking requested public comments from reporting carriers and aviation data users on the nature, scope, source, and means for collecting, processing, and distributing airline traffic, fare, and financial data. Specifically, it invited comments on whether existing airline traffic, fare, and financial data should be amended, supplemented, or replaced; whether selected forms and reports should be retained, modified, or eliminated; whether OST should require all aviation data to be filed electronically; and how the aviation data system should be reengineered to enhance efficiency and to reduce costs for both the Department and the airline industry.

**Effects:** 

None

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 04/15/1998

Docket Number: OST-1998-4043

#### **Dates for Undetermined:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
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Publication Date			

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#### Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Office of the Secretary

#### 62. Protection of Sensitive Security Information

Black

#### Popular Title: SSI-TSA

#### RIN 2105-AD59

Stage: Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 05/18/2004; End of Comment Period 07/19/2004.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would publish a Final Rule addressing the May 2004 Interim Final Rule and respond to any comments. As of January 31, 2007, this rulemaking is on hold pending the receipt of additional information from DHS. The schedule cannot be further updated until this information is received.

#### **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 09/02/2002

#### **Docket Number:**

**Dates for Undetermined:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
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Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

#### **Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Office of the Secretary

#### 63. Enhancing Airline Passenger Protections

Popular Title: Aviation Consumer

#### RIN 2105-AD72

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 11/22/2007; End of Comment Period 1/22/2008; Clarification Concerning 3/05/2008. NPRM: Publication Date 12/08/2008;End of Comment Period 02/06/2009;Extension of Comment Period 02/06/2009;End of Extended Comment Period 03/09/2009.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would propose to enhance airline passenger protections in the following ways: (1) require carriers to adopt contingency plans for lengthy tarmac delays and to incorporate these plans in their contracts of carriage, (2) require carriers to respond to consumer problems, (3) declare the operation of flights that remain chronically delayed to be



an unfair and deceptive practice and an unfair method of competition, (4) require carriers to publish delay data on their websites, and (5) require carriers to adopt customer service plans, incorporate these in their contracts of carriage, and audit their adherence to their plans.

## Effects:

None

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 09/04/2007

**Docket Number:** DOT-OST-2007-0022

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/30/2009	09/10/2009	09/10/2009
To OMB	08/25/2009	09/25/2009	
OMB Clearance	11/25/2009	11/23/2009	
Publication Date	11/30/2009	11/30/2009	

Explanation for any delay: N/A

#### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Office of the Secretary

64. Enhancing Airline Passenger Protections - Part 2

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#### Popular Title: Aviation Consumer Part 2

#### RIN 2105-AD92

Stage: NPRM

#### Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would enhance airline passenger protections by addressing the following areas:(1) contingency plans for lengthy tarmac delays; (2) reporting of tarmac delay data; (3) customer service plans; (4) notification to passengers of flight status changes; (5) inflation adjustment for denied boarding compensation; (6) alternative transportation for passengers on canceled flights; (7) opt-out provisions (e.g. travel insurance); (8) contract of carriage provisions; (9) baggage fees disclosure; and (10) full fare advertising.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

#### **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 07/01/2008

#### **Docket Number:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/10/2010		
To OMB	02/26/2010		
OMB Clearance	05/26/2010		
Publication Date	06/01/2010		

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Office of the Secretary

65. **Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs** 

Black

Popular Title: Medical Review Officers

#### RIN 2105-AD95

Stage: NPRM

#### Previous Stage: : .

**Abstract:** This ruelmaking would propose to amend certain provisions of its drug and alcohol testing procedures that will address collection and testing of urine specimens. These changes would affect the role and standards applying to to collectors and Medical Review Officers (MROs). The proposed changes are intended to create consistency with requirements established by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prompting action: Statute

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 07/13/2009

#### **Docket Number:**

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
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To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

#### Explanation for any delay: N/A

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

#### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

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66. Hazardous Materials: Requirements for Storage of Explosives During Transportation

Red

**Popular Title**: Storage of Explosives

#### RIN 2137-AE06

Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 11/16/2005; End of Comment Period 02/14/2006; Reopening of Comment Period 7/03/2008; End of Reopened Comment Period 10/01/2008.

Abstract: This rulemaking would address the current safety and security risks associated

with the storage of explosives during transportation. The Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) require shipments stored during transportation to conform to the same requirements that apply when the shipments are actually moving and for the shipping company to have security plans covering its shipments. Otherwise, the HMR do not include specific requirements for facilities at which explosives or other high-hazard materials are stored during transportation. The HMR do not establish specific standards for storage facilities nor do they limit the amount of material that may be stored in a single location. Through this rulemaking, the agency will evaluate the adequacy of existing regulations and the need for additional, more specific requirements. In particular, the agency is considering whether current industry standards applicable to the storage of explosives should be incorporated by reference into the HMR.

#### **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 01/01/2005

Docket Number: PHMSA-2005-22987

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/02/2007	03/01/2010	
To OMB	03/09/2007	04/02/2010	
OMB Clearance	06/07/2007	07/01/2010	
Publication Date	06/14/2007	07/08/2010	
End of Comment Period	08/17/2007	09/08/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

#### 67. Hazardous Materials: Enforcement Regulations

Red

**Popular Title**: Package Inspection Authority **RIN 2137-AE13** 

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 10/02/2008;End of Comment Period 12/01/2008.

**Abstract:** Pursuant to a mandate in SAFETEA-LU (section 7118 of P.L. 109-59), this rulemaking would establish procedural regulations to implement authority provided to DOT to open packages believed to contain hazardous materials; remove such packages from transportation; gather information; order the package transported to a facility for examination and analysis; obtain assistance from qualified persons; and issue emergency restrictions, prohibitions, recalls, or out-of-service orders to abate an imminent hazard.

#### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: Statute Legal Deadline: Temporary Rule : 10/11/2005 Final Rule : 08/10/2006

# Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/10/2005 Docket Number: PHMSA-2005-22356

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/22/2009		
To OMB	01/26/2010		
OMB Clearance	04/26/2010		
Publication Date	05/01/2010		

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

#### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

#### 68. **Pipeline Safety: Distribution Integrity Management**

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Popular Title: Distribution Integrity Management

#### RIN 2137-AE15

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM Publication Date 06/25/2008;End of Comment Period 09/23/2008;End of Extended Comment Period 10/23/2008

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish integrity management program requirements appropriate for gas distribution pipeline operators. This rulemaking would require gas distribution pipeline operators to develop and implement programs to better assure the integrity of their pipeline systems.

#### **Effects:**

Economically Significant Major Information Collection

Prompting action: Statute

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 03/02/2006

Docket Number: PHMSA-04-19854

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/19/2009	05/22/2009	05/20/2009
To OMB	03/25/2009	08/04/2009	08/06/2009
OMB Clearance	06/23/2009	11/04/2009	
Publication Date	06/30/2009	11/16/2009	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

#### **Popular Title**: Security Plans **RIN 2137-AE22**

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 9/8/2008; End of Comment Period 11/10/2008.

**Abstract:** In response to two industry petitions for rulemaking, this rulemaking will reconsider and refine the list of hazardous materials for which security plans are currently required. The industry petitioners asked PHMSA to amend the security plan regulations to create a distinction between hazardous materials that present a significant security risk while in transportation and the vast majority of hazardous materials that pose no significant security risk in transportation.

#### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 05/01/2006

Docket Number: PHMSA-2006-25885

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/01/2009	09/02/2009	09/04/2009
To OMB	06/04/2009	10/16/2009	
OMB Clearance	09/04/2009	01/16/2010	
Publication Date	09/14/2009	01/23/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

70. Pipeline Safety: Control Room Management/Human Factors Green

Popular Title: Control Room Management/Human Factors

#### RIN 2137-AE28

Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 09/12/2008;End of Comment Period 11/12/2008

Abstract: This rulemaking would require operators of natural gas pipelines, hazardous liquid pipelines, and liquefied natural gas (LNG) facilities, to identify and employ specific procedures to improve control room operations, controller training, and controller qualifications. It would require operators to develop, implement, and submit to PHMSA (or the appropriate State), a human factors management plan designed to reduce risks associated with human factors. This would require operators to include in their plans a maximum limit on the hours of service for individuals employed as controllers. It would also require operators to periodically review their management of computer-based control system alarms and to verify that the control systems provide accurate and timely information to controllers. This rulemaking would further require each operator to validate the implementation of the program elements applicable to their individual control system.

#### **Effects:**

None

#### **Prompting action:** Statute

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/10/2007

Docket Number: PHMSA-2007-27954

#### **Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/20/2009		05/26/2009
To OMB	08/21/2009		08/06/2009
OMB Clearance	11/20/2009		
Publication Date	11/27/2009		

#### **Explanation for any delay:** N/A

#### Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

71	Hazardous Materials; Combination Packages Containing Liquids
/1.	Intended for Transport by Aircraft

Yellow

#### Popular Title: Air Packaging

RIN 2137-AE32

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: ANPRM: Publication 7/07/2008; End of Comment Period 9/5/2008.

Abstract: Incident data and testing conducted on behalf of DOT indicate many combination packagings authorized for the transportation of hazardous materials may not withstand conditions normally incident to air transportation. PHMSA is considering measures to reduce the incidence of package failures and to minimize the consequences of failures should they occur. This rulemaking would require additional measures to verify packaging integrity, such as performance testing, and revisions to packaging requirements, such as the addition of liners or absorbent material.

#### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 06/04/2007

**Docket Number:** PHMSA-07-29364

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/10/2009	10/13/2009	
To OMB	08/13/2009	11/16/2009	
OMB Clearance	11/13/2009	02/15/2010	
Publication Date	11/20/2009	02/22/2010	
End of Comment Period	01/20/2010	04/23/2010	

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

#### 72. Hazardous Materials: Bulk Loading and Unloading Operations

**Popular Title**: Loading/Unloading

#### RIN 2137-AE37

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would request information from industry that would consider whether additional requirements governing bulk loading and unloading operations are necessary. PHMSA has reviewed transportation incident data and findings of several National Transportation Safety Board and Chemical Satety Board accident investigations involving bulk hazardous materials loading and unloading operations, which suggest there may be opportunities to enhance the safety of such operations. In particular, PHMSA is examining what, if any, safety benefits would accrue from a requirement for persons conducting bulk loading and unloading operations to develop and implement operating procedures governing these operations. PHMSA has decided to publish a proposed rule instead of a pre-rule.

#### **Effects:**

Information Collection

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/28/2008

Docket Number: PHMSA-2007-28119

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/12/2010		
To OMB	03/18/2010		
OMB Clearance	06/16/2010		
Publication Date	06/23/2010		
End of Comment Period	08/23/2010		

#### Explanation for any delay: N/A

#### Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

# 73. Hazardous Materials: Revisions to Requirements for the Transportation Yellow of Lithium Batteries

Popular Title: Transportation of Lithium Batteries

#### RIN 2137-AE44

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the Hazardous Materials Regulations to comprehensively address the safe transportation of lithium cells and batteries. The intent of the rulemaking is to strengthen the current regulatory framework by imposing more effective

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safeguards, including design testing to address risks related to internal short circuits, and enhanced packaging, hazard communication, and operational measures for various types and sizes of lithium batteries in specific transportation contexts. The rulemaking responds to several recommendations issued by the National Transportation Safety Board.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 03/26/2009

**Docket Number:** 

#### **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally	New	Actual
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To OST	08/03/2009	09/10/2009	08/20/2009
To OMB	09/04/2009	09/23/2009	09/09/2009
OMB Clearance	12/04/2009	12/23/2009	
Publication Date	12/14/2009	12/30/2009	
End of Comment Period	02/19/2010	03/01/2010	

#### **Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

74.Hazardous Materials: Safety Requirements for External Product Piping on<br/>Cargo Tanks Transporting Flammable Liquids (Wetlines)Green

#### Popular Title: Wetlines

RIN 2137-AE53

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage:None

**Abstract:** The rulemaking would amend the Hazardous Materials Regulations to prohibit flammable liquids from being transported in unprotected product piping on existing and newly manufactured DOT specification cargo tank motor vehicles.

#### **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: None

Legal Deadline: None

#### **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/01/2009

**Docket Number:** 

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Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None