



## Regulatory Studies Center

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#### Agency Rulemaking Highlights

##### COVID-19 Related Actions

NEA: CARES Act Funding Survey

FEMA: Meetings To Implement Pandemic Response

VA: Group Life Insurance

##### Other Notable Actions

##### Guidance Documents

The Dept. of Energy and the Dept. of Veterans Affairs withdrew and rescinded Trump administration rules on guidance documents.

##### Hydrogen Energy Earthshot Initiative

The Dept. of Energy issued a request for information on how to enable low cost, clean hydrogen energy. Comments due July 7.

##### Single Family Housing Loans

The Rural Housing Service issued a proposed rule amending its Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program requirements. Comments due August 9.

##### FCC Wireless Auction Certificate

The Federal Communications Commission issued a final action to adopt a certification that will be required of applicants to participate in the upcoming auction of flexible-use licenses in the 3.45-3.55 GHz band.

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### **Significant New Uses of Chemicals**

The Environmental Protection Agency issued a series of final rules amending significant new use rules under the Toxic Substances Control Act: 20-2.M, 20-5.B, 20-6.B, and 20-7.B

### **PFAS Inventory**

The Environmental Protection Agency issued a final rule adding three per- and poly- fluoroalkyl substances to the list of chemicals subject to toxic chemical release reporting. Effective July 6.

### ***The Opinion Section***

**Jay Clayton & Brent McIntosh:** Crypto Needs Regulation, but It Doesn't Need New Rules

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**NYT Editorial:** Biden, Congress and the Free Press

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**Lance Eliot:** The Four Biggest & Baffling Congressional Issues When it Comes to Regulating Self-Driving Cars

### ***In the News***

### **Financial Markets & Housing**

- SEC Pursuing Broad Review of Stock-Market Structure, Chairman Says, *Wall Street Journal*
- Cryptocurrency industry lobbies Washington for 'regulatory clarity', *The Hill*
- IRS Chief Asks Congress for Authority to Get Cryptocurrency Data, *Bloomberg*
- Global banking regulator in step closer to crypto capital rules, *Reuters*
- SEC Removes Chairman of Audit Watchdog, *Wall Street Journal*
- Wall Street's Favorite Climate Solution Is Mired in Disagreements, *Bloomberg*
- Proposed Framework Aims to Guide Regulators in Decisions to Charge Chief Compliance Officers, *Wall Street Journal*
- Powell Says Central Bank Studying Climate Stress Tests, *Bloomberg*

## **Energy & Environment**

- EPA to revise Trump rollback to water pollution protections, *The Hill*
- Biden Administration to Propose New Federal Clean-Water Regulation, *Wall Street Journal*
- Businesses Brace for More Climate Cases After Ruling on Shell Emissions, *Wall Street Journal*
- Transition away from natural gas necessary to meet climate goals but creates equity concerns, *Utility Drive*
- Tasked to Fight Climate Change, a Secretive U.N. Agency Does the Opposite, *New York Times*
- Biden bolsters push for offshore wind, *The Hill*
- U.S. regulator tells pipeline operators to prepare methane curbs, *Reuters*
- China's Economic Officials Temper Climate Efforts, *Wall Street Journal*
- The Department of Energy is trying to make clean hydrogen this generation's 'moonshot', *Grist*
- Biden Aims to End Arctic Drilling. A Trump-Era Law Could Foil His Plans., *New York Times*

## **Health & Safety**

- FDA approves much-debated Alzheimer's drug panned by experts, *Associated Press*
- FDA's Vaping Regulations Survive as Supreme Court Rejects Appeal, *Bloomberg*
- Heavier Passengers on Planes Mean New Safety Limits for Airlines, *Wall Street Journal*
- Unproven stem cell therapy subject to FDA regulation -11th Circ., *Reuters*
- U.S. CPSC Reveals New Regulations On Infant Sleepers, *NPR*

## **Business**

- Uber and Lyft Ramp Up Legislative Efforts to Shield Business Model, *New York Times*
- Google Should Be Treated as Utility, Ohio Argues in New Lawsuit, *Wall Street Journal*
- Google Settles Antitrust Case Over Advertising Practices, *Wall Street Journal*
- Facebook Faces Two Antitrust Inquiries in Europe, *New York Times*
- U.S. housing regulator extends eviction freeze for some multifamily property, *Reuters*