

Regulatory Updates
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UPCOMING CONFERENCES

- AIChE and CCPS 2025 Spring Meeting and Global Congress on Process Safety, Dallas TX April 6-10, 2025
- PCA Spring Meeting, Point Clear AL, April 23-25, 2025
- ASSP Conference and Expo, Orlando FL, July 22-24, 2025
- National Safety Council Safety Congress and Expo, Denver CO, September 12-18, 2025
- PCA International Conference, Jakarta Indonesia, September 21-23, 2025

SAFETY

Balancing Safety Controls and Human Performance in Workplace Safety – With no regulatory updates this month in safety, here's a brief article of interest. Here's a synopsis:

While controls provide structured, predictable risk reduction, they may lack adaptability. Human Operational Performance Theory fosters a deeper understanding of human performance but requires careful integration. The most effective safety strategies balance both approaches, integrating controls with human-centered safety measures. Organizations that embrace both will be better positioned to manage risks and prevent accidents.

Read the full article [here](#). (ohsonline.com, Stephen Daigneault, 2/13/2025.)

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ENVIRONMENT

Latest on EPA Rules Extended, Delayed in 2025 - Among the Executive Orders signed by President Trump to start his second term was an order to “freeze” ongoing regulatory actions and to postpone, where appropriate, the effective dates for published rules. Here’s a summary of the rules that are potentially germane to our industry.

US EPA is extending the comment periods for two announcements concerning chemical risk management under TSCA, as amended:

- Draft Scope for Risk Evaluation—Vinyl Chloride (**Comments due 4/2/2025**) ([Details](#))
- Proposed Rule—CI Pigment Violet 29 (**Comments due 4/29/25**) ([Details](#))

EPA announced the extensions via email updates from the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention on Friday, February 28, and plans to publish official word in the *Federal Register* soon.

US EPA delayed the effective date for two Final Rules until March 21, 2025:

- Technical Corrections: Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements Rule, the Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals Rule, and the 2018 Definition of Solid Waste Rule ([Details](#))
- Implementing Statutory Authority of Certain Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) to the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Beginning with Reporting Year 2025 ([Details](#))

US EPA delayed the effective date for [two] Final Rules until March 21, 2025:

- Trichloroethylene (TCE), Final Rule Under TSCA ([Details](#))
- Revisions to Guidelines on Air Quality Models ([Details](#))

EPA will publish [the rule delaying these four effective dates](#) to the *Federal Register* on January 28, 2025. In addition, a forthcoming *proposed rule* to create new water pollution limits for manufacturers of PFAS was reportedly withdrawn from consideration by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on January 21.

Click [here](#) to read the full list. (Lion Technology, Inc., 2/28/2025.)

EPCRA Chemical Reporting (Tier II) Help Sheet for Your Reference – Click here for the [help](#) sheet. (Lion Technology, Inc.)

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New Rules for Hazmat Mailers Take Immediate Effect – “Effective January 27, 2025, the US Postal Service has revised its standards for mailing hazmat/dangerous goods to require “rigid” outer packaging of a certain strength for most regulated materials. USPS announced the

changes to *Publication 52, Hazardous, Restricted, and Perishable Mail*, [in a Final Rule.](#)” Read the full article [here](#). (Lion Technology, Inc., 1/28/2025.)

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