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[FCC proposes to rescind 40-year-old sports blackout rules](#)

FCC published a proposed rule that would eliminate its sports blackout rules, which were finalized in 1975 at the request of the NFL. The 1975 rule allows sports teams to demand that cable networks black out certain sporting events that are not being carried by local cable providers in order to protect local ticket revenues.

Rulemaking

[IRS proposes "responsibility payment" for foregoing insurance](#)

IRS published a proposed rule establishing the mandated "responsibility payment" owed by individuals who do not have health insurance that constitutes "minimum essential coverage" pursuant to the PPACA. In 2014, the responsibility payment is \$95.

[OCC proposes heightened guidelines for large insured banks](#)

OCC published proposed guidelines establishing "heightened" minimum standards for the design and implementation of a risk governance framework for insured national banks and Federal savings associations with assets of \$50 billion or more.

[SEC proposes eligibility rule for exempt securities offerings](#)

SEC published a proposed rule implementing section 401 of the Jumpstart our Business Startups Act (JOBS Act), which exempts offerings of up to \$50 million of securities annually from the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

[OMB extends comment deadline on social cost of carbon](#)

OMB published a notice announcing that it is extending the comment deadline on the [technical support document](#) underlying the social cost of carbon (SCC) values, which were updated in 2013. *Read our analysis [here](#).*

[OSHA extends comment deadline for long-delayed silica rule](#)

OSHA announced that it is extending the comment deadline for its long-delayed proposed rule to limit workplace exposure to respirable crystalline silica, which was at OIRA for 922 days prior to publication in September 2013. *Read our comment [here](#).*

[CFTC reopens comment period on automated trading policy](#)

CFTC announced that it is reopening the comment period for its concept release on risk controls and system safeguards for use in automated trading. *Read our comment [here](#).*

Agencies

[EPA announces 3 draft documents on ozone NAAQS review](#)

EPA published a notice announcing the availability of three draft documents related to the review of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ozone. Two are draft risk and exposure assessment documents, and the third is a draft policy assessment document.

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