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[NHTSA finalizes rear-view visibility rule, \\$200 million net cost](#)

NHTSA published a final rule requiring that certain areas behind a vehicle must be visible to the driver when the vehicle is in reverse to prevent "backover" accidents. NHTSA anticipates that vehicle manufacturers will comply using rearview video systems and in-vehicle visual displays. NHTSA estimates the rule will result in a net cost of between \$202 million and \$281 million.

Rulemaking

[EPA re-opens comment period for formaldehyde rule](#)

EPA announced that it is re-opening the public comment period for its 2013 [proposed rule](#) setting formaldehyde emissions standards for composite wood products. When it was proposed in July, EPA estimated that its rule would result in net costs of between \$24 million to \$79 million per year. [Comments](#) are now due on May 5.

[Financial regulators propose appraisal management rule](#)

The OCC, Board, FDIC, NCUA, Bureau, and FHFA jointly published a proposed rule setting minimum requirements for the registration and supervision of appraisal management companies (AMCs) by the states, pursuant to provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act.

[AMS lifts stay on Christmas tree fee rule](#)

The USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service published a final rule lifting a stay of AMS's 2011 final rule establishing Christmas tree fees for consumers as part of an industry-funded promotion, research, and information program for fresh cut Christmas trees.

Agencies

[FDA releases guidance on definition of "spouse", "family"](#)

FDA announced the release of a [guidance document](#) defining the meaning of the words "spouse" and "family" as used in in FDA's regulations to include same-sex spouses, pursuant to the Supreme Court's ruling in *United States v. Windsor*. The affected regulations govern FOIA requests, rules for financial disclosure, protections for research subjects, and some conflict-of-interest provisions.

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