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EMA Regulatory Alert Final Reminder: [Annual EPCRA Tier II Reports Due Today](#)

The Emergency Preparedness and Community Right to Know Act (EPCRA) of 1986 was created to help communities plan for chemical emergencies. EPCRA requires facilities to report each year on the storage, use and release of hazardous chemicals (including petroleum products) during the previous calendar year. Typically, Tier II reports are filed with the state or local Fire Marshall (see state compliance section in link below). The information on the EPCRA Tier II report is used by state and local governments for emergency response to risks associated with stored hazardous chemicals.

Facilities that store over 10,000 pounds of hazardous chemicals (petroleum products) onsite at any point during the previous calendar year must file an EPCRA Tier II. The 10,000 pounds compliance trigger is calculated by combining the volume of all petroleum on site in every storage container including above ground and underground bulk storage tanks, portable skid tanks, and heating fuel or propane tanks used to heat facility buildings (see gallon to pound conversion chart in link below).

Retail gasoline facilities with 75,000 gallons or less of gasoline storage capacity and 100,000 gallons or less of diesel fuel storage capacity are exempt from EPCRA reporting requirements. Card lock fueling facilities are also subject to the retail fueling facilities exemption, with the same storage capacity limits above.

Tier II reports for calendar year 2023 must be filed with state emergency response authorities by March 1, 2024.

[CLICK HERE TO READ THE FULL EMA COMPLIANCE BULLETIN](#)

Inside the Beltway Update

This was a slow and then extremely fast week in Washington, which wrapped up in a rapid succession of big news. First, after a meeting at the White House between the four top Congressional leaders, the House and Senate cut a bipartisan deal to avert a government shutdown, passing a short term, one-week extension with the intention of wrapping things up next week. This was after many in the Capitol expected at least a brief shutdown.

In addition, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) announced he would step down as leader of the conference after the election this fall. The Kentucky Senator now has the record of being the longest serving party leader in the Senate but has recently been clashing with his caucus and the former (and possibly future) President over a range of things, including U.S. funding in Ukraine and the outcome of the 2020 election.

In addition to that top-line update, members of Congress took a longshot vote to override President Biden's veto of a Congressional Review Act resolution that would undo the Administration's Buy America waiver for EV chargers. It's atypical for veto's to be overridden, and this one was no different, but even so, veto override votes don't often occur as they're usually deemed destined to fail, so taking it up at all is a stern rebuke of the White House's position. At the same time, in a hearing of the House Science Committee, the fire chief from San Bernardino County stressed that firefighters and other first responders will need additional specialized training to fight EV fires, because they're vastly different than a typical vehicle fire.

Separately, four high ranking republicans, including Senate Environment and Public Works Ranking Member Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV) and House Energy and Commerce Chair Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA) urged EPA to reject California's request for a Clean Air Act waiver that would permit it to exercise its ban on gas-powered cars by 2035.

EMA Washington Conference and Day on the Hill – May 15-17, 2024:

Please Make Your Hotel Reservation and Register Now

EMA's annual Washington Conference and Day on the Hill will be held in Washington, DC from May 15-17 at [The Mayflower Hotel](#). Our industry continues to have many important legislative and regulatory issues to discuss and the Day on the Hill remains the primary focus of this conference for you to meet with your members of Congress and network with other marketers from across the country!

Hotel reservations will close by April 23 6:00pm Eastern or when the room block is sold out.

Registrations must be received by April 26 to be included in our hotel guarantee.

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Join FEMA and the SBA in a Seminar on Working with the Federal Government and Small Business Procurement

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Office of Business, Industry, and Infrastructure Integration (OB3I) in partnership with the Small Business Administration (SBA)

Office of Disaster Recovery and Resilience (ODRR) will hold a seminar on Working with the Federal Government: Small Business Procurement. The session will be held on March 12, 2024, from 1-2:30 pm EDT, and is a part of an ongoing Small

Business Disaster Preparedness Series aimed at sharing critical information and resources for small businesses to successfully navigate disaster recovery situations and build resiliency before, during, and after disasters.

The session will cover: Overview and Opportunities to Work with the Federal Government; Tips, Tricks, and Resources for Small Businesses; Guided Tutorial for Applications; and Question and Answer with Subject Matter Experts. [Click Here to Register via Zoom](#) After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with instructions and a calendar reminder for joining the Session.

WEEKEND READS

[Exxon, Chevron ask US Supreme Court to toss ruling in Honolulu climate change suit](#)

[Over half of EV drivers hold onto a petrol/diesel back-up | Forecourt Trader](#)

[FBI and CISA Warn of Chinese Cyberattacks on U.S. Critical Infrastructure | JD Supra](#)

[Oil gains over \\$1 on possible shipping disruptions | Reuters](#)

[US SEC to vote on long-awaited climate disclosure rule, notice says](#)

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Federated Insurance® is excited to formally invite business owners to attend one of our complimentary 2½ - Day Risk Management Academy (RMA) offerings beginning in January 2024. These industry-specific sessions are held at Federated®'s Home Office in Owatonna, Minnesota, and are led by risk management professionals.

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**Feature article, "Meet the New EMA
Chair Brad Bell"**

PLEASE NOTE UPCOMING DATES FOR WPMA EVENTS

April 1, 2024 - Hawaii (HEMA) Golf Tournament - 11:30 am - Oahu Country Club - Honolulu, HI
April 25-26, 2024 - Nevada (NPM&CSA) Big Dogs - Red Rock & Siena Golf Course - Las Vegas, NV
May 1, 2024 - Idaho (IPM&CSA) Boise PAC Golf Tournament- Ridgecrest Golf Course - Nampa, ID
June 4-5, 2024 - Montana (MPMCSA) Convention - Fairmont Hot Springs Resort - Fairmont, MT
June 17-19, 2024 - Washington Energy Convention - Suncadia Lodge - Cle Elum, WA
July 14-16, 2024 - Oregon (OFA) Conference - Sunriver Resort - Sunriver, OR
August 7-9, 2024 - Idaho (IPM&CSA) Convention - Coeur d'Alene Resort, Coeur d'Alene, ID
August 20-22, 2024 - New Mexico (MMPMA) Convention - Sandia Resort - Albuquerque, NM
October 1-3, 2024 - Utah (UPMRA) Convention - Hilton Garden Inn - St. George, UT



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