

## **Regulatory and Policy Information related to Chemical Safety & Security**

- **Amendments to EPCRA - America's Water Infrastructure Act: A Guide for SERCs, TERCs, and LEPCs**
  - On October 23, 2018, America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) was signed into law, amending EPCRA. This new legislation requires state and tribal emergency response commissions to notify the applicable State agency (i.e., the drinking water primacy agency) of any reportable releases and provide community water systems with hazardous chemical inventory data.
  - EPA has created a fact sheet to provide information for State Emergency Response Commissions (SERCs), Tribal Emergency Response Commissions (TERCs), and Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs). The fact sheet is available [here](#), and there is also a box on the [EPA EPCRA webpage](#) advising of its availability. EPA will add more materials to this site as they become available.
- **Executive Order (EO) Access for Law Enforcement and the Infrastructure Protection (IP) Gateway**
  - EO 13650: Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security directed the federal government to enhance information sharing with State and local governments, first responders, chemical facility owners/operators, and community stakeholders to improve the safety and security of chemical facilities and reduce risks to workers and communities.
  - One result of the EO is the IP Gateway, which provides various data collection, analysis, and response tools in one integrated system through a single user registration, management, and authentication process. Authorized users can also view Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) data elements on a geospatial map to help identify and prioritize risks in their communities.
  - To gain access to IP Gateway, follow these steps:
    - Navigate to <https://ipgateway.dhs.gov/eo13650> and select OK
    - Select the link "Request an IP Gateway EO 13650 account here"
    - Complete the Personal Information and Work Address fields
    - Choose Custom Filter for Access Type and select your jurisdiction
    - Complete the necessary Chemical Vulnerable Information (CVI)
    - Fill the "Need to Know" with your duties, authority, and reason for access request
    - Click Submit
  - For more information, visit: [www.dhs.gov/cisa/cfats-eo13650](http://www.dhs.gov/cisa/cfats-eo13650)
- **60-Day Notice and Chemical Security Assessment Tool Information Collection Request (ICR) for Comments**
  - On February 7, 2019, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), Infrastructure Security Division (ISD) released the Chemical Security Assessment Tool (CSAT) ICR (Collection #1670-0007) to support affected chemical facilities' requirements to submit data pursuant to 6 CFR Part 27. The submission proposes to renew the ICR for an additional three years and updates the burden estimates associated with collecting information in CSAT. Submit your comments by April 08, 2019.

- View the Notice at: [www.regulations.gov/document?D=DHS\\_FRDOC\\_0001-1734](http://www.regulations.gov/document?D=DHS_FRDOC_0001-1734)
- **CFATS Resources and Fact Sheets**
  - Under CFATS, facilities are required to implement security measures that meet DHS risk-based performance standards (RBPS). [RBPS 9 Response](#) addresses emergency response planning and training to respond to security incidents at facilities. Involving law enforcement and first responders ensures that personnel are properly equipped and trained to identify hazards and respond in a timely manner.
  - DHS has created a [CFATS Industry Fact Sheets](#) page with industry-specific fact sheets that can be downloaded and distributed as a resource to increase awareness of CFATS.