Term
Code of Federal Regulations Definition: The codification of the general and permanent rules published in the Federal Register by the executive departments and agencies of the federal government. Access the CFR online (https://www.govinfo.gov/). Acronym: CFR
Comment Definition: A written expression of an opinion or attitude by a member of the public to a government agency about a rulemaking or other action.
Direct Final Rule Definition: A federal agency may issue a DFR when they do not anticipate receiving a significant adverse comment, or when a rule may qualify for exemption from notice-and-comment rulemaking. Acronym: DFR
Docket Definition: A collection of documents related to a rulemaking or other action. More information on dockets at Regulations.gov (http://www.regulations.gov).
Docket ID Definition: Unique identifier established for a docket.
Document

Term
Definition: A term that includes rules, proposed rules, notices, supporting and related materials, public submissions.
Executive Order Definition: Official documents, numbered consecutively, through which the President of the United States manages the operations of the federal government.
Federal Register Definition: The official daily publication for rules, proposed rules, and notices of federal agencies and organizations, as well as executive orders and other presidential documents. Access the FR online (https://www.govinfo.gov/). Acronym: FR
Final Rule Definition: A regulation that has gone through the review and public comment process and is published in official form in the Federal Register. Final rules have the force of law.
Good Guidance Practices Definition: A statement of clear and consistent agency practices for developing, issuing, and using guidance documents. More information on Good Guidance (http://www.epa.gov/laws-regulations/significant-guidance-documents).
Information Collection Request

Term
Definition: A set of documents that describe reporting, record keeping, survey, or other information collection requirements imposed on the public by the EPA or any other federal agency. More information on ICRs (http://www.epa.gov/icr/). Acronym: ICR
Non-Rulemaking Definition: Any federal agency process or action that does not involve the formulation, amendment or repeal of a regulation.
Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Definition: A public notice issued by law when a federal agency wishes to add, remove, or change a rule or regulation as part of the rulemaking process. Acronym: NPRM
Rule/Regulation Definition: An authoritative requirement issued by a federal department or agency that implements a statute and has the force of law.
Rulemaking Definition: The name given to the process followed by federal departments and agencies to formulate, amend, or repeal a regulation.