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### News Digest

**PHMSA Launches Online Database of Hazardous Materials Incident Reports.** The U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) has launched an online database of hazardous materials incident summary reports. The annual and 10-year summary reports include the number of incidents related to specific causes, the number of injuries or fatalities, as well the cost of damages. Users can download up-to-date, useful information from the database because it is updated on a nightly basis and the data can be sorted based on the details of the incident. The creation of this database streamlines the delivery of this information to the public and continues PHMSA's commitment to increased Government transparency. The database can be accessed at [www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/library/data-stats/incidents](http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/library/data-stats/incidents).

**PHMSA Extends Public Comment Period for Newly Proposed Wetlines Regulations.** In response to requests from industry groups, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) announced an extension of the comment period for a proposed rule to prohibit the transportation of flammable liquids in unprotected product piping, called wetlines, on cargo tank motor vehicles. To provide for additional time to review this proposed rule, PHMSA is extending the comment period 30 days from March 28, 2011, to April 27, 2011.

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