



Fact Sheet: President Donald J. Trump Pushes the Reset Button on America's Energy Regulations

ZERO-BASED REGULATION TO UNLEASH AMERICAN ENERGY: Today, President Donald J. Trump signed an Executive Order requiring the automatic rescission of outdated regulations to unleash American innovation and energy production.

- The Order requires ten agencies and subagencies to insert a one-year expiration date into existing energy regulations.
- If not extended before the expiration date, these energy regulations will expire no later than September 30, 2026.
 - Agencies will extend only those regulations that affirmatively serve American interests. The rest will expire, resetting the regulatory landscape.
- This Order will unleash American energy innovation, which has been frozen in the 1970s. Regulations from the Carter Administration should not govern energy production today.
 - President Trump is laser focused on energy abundance, not just efficiency.

KEEPING AMERICAN ENERGY ON THE CUTTING EDGE: President Trump is committed to keeping American energy on the cutting edge:

- The Order requires the same agencies to include a five-year expiration date in future energy regulations, unless those new regulations are themselves deregulatory.
- If an agency does not affirmatively extend the expiration date of any energy regulation, that regulation will automatically expire after five years.
- This Order will ensure American energy regulations are continually reviewed and updated to keep up with modern technology and needs.
- The Order exempts permitting regimes, to ensure certainty for long-term development projects.

REWIRING THE BUREAUCRACY: President Trump knows that the bureaucracy is built to regulate, not deregulate. The result is an ever-increasing number of regulations that stifle innovation and limit American freedom.

- Zero-based regulation uses the bureaucracy against itself. If bureaucrats move slowly, the default is deregulation and free markets—not the sclerotic status quo.
- Zero-based regulation demolishes agency resistance against innovation. It forces agencies to reconsider every regulation, and justify it for the present day, making regulation more accountable to elections and the American people.