

Swaps Data (“Roadmap”)<sup>4</sup> that will relate to the NPRM prior to commenting on the NPRM. The Commission subsequently extended the comment period for the NPRM by 90 days to October 28, 2019,<sup>5</sup> and again by 90 days to January 27, 2020.<sup>6</sup>

The Commission stated in the October 24, 2019 extension that it anticipated reopening the comment period for the NPRM to coincide with the comment periods for the additional planned Roadmap rulemakings in order to provide market participants with the opportunity to comment on all three Roadmap rulemakings at once.<sup>7</sup> This reopening of the comment period provides the opportunity for market participants to comment on all three Roadmap rulemakings simultaneously or individually. Parties that previously submitted comments on the NPRM are invited to resubmit their comments to add any additional information they may wish to include.<sup>8</sup> Parties may also submit new comments regarding any matter related to the NPRM, including matters that relate to the NPRM and one or more of the other Roadmap rulemakings. All comments must be received on or before May 20, 2020.

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 27, 2020, by the Commission.

**Robert Sidman,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Commission.*

**Note:** The following appendix will not appear in the Code of Federal Regulations.

<sup>4</sup> See CFTC Letter 17–33, Division of Market Oversight Announces Review of Swap Reporting Rules in Parts 43, 45, and 49 of Commission Regulations (July 10, 2017), available at <http://www.cftc.gov/idc/groups/public/@rlettergeneral/documents/letter/17-33.pdf>; Roadmap to Achieve High Quality Swap Data, available at [http://www.cftc.gov/idc/groups/public/@newsroom/documents/file/dmo\\_swapdataplan071017.pdf](http://www.cftc.gov/idc/groups/public/@newsroom/documents/file/dmo_swapdataplan071017.pdf).

<sup>5</sup> Certain Swap Data Repository and Data Reporting Requirements; Extension of Comment Period, 84 FR 35847 (July 25, 2019).

<sup>6</sup> Certain Swap Data Repository and Data Reporting Requirements; Extension of Comment Period, 84 FR 57831 (October 24, 2019).

<sup>7</sup> See 84 FR at 57832; see also 84 FR at 21046 (“When the Commission proposes the next two rulemakings, the Commission anticipates reopening the comment period for this proposal to provide market participants with an opportunity to comment collectively on the three rulemakings together, because the proposals address interconnected issues.”).

<sup>8</sup> All responsive comments previously submitted for the NPRM will be considered regardless of whether the submitter updates the original comments during the reopened comment period. Parties that do not wish to supplement their original comments do not need to resubmit their original comments in order for those comments to be considered.

## Appendix to Certain Swap Data Repository and Data Reporting Requirements—Commission Voting Summary

On this matter, Chairman Tarbert and Commissioners Quintenz, Behnam, Stump, and Berkovitz voted in the affirmative. No Commissioner voted in the negative.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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### Strengthening Transparency in Regulatory Science

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is extending the comment period for a notice issued in the **Federal Register** on March 18, 2020, supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking (SNPRM) titled “Strengthening Transparency in Regulatory Science.” This document is extending the comment period on this SNPRM from April 17, 2020, to May 18, 2020.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before May 18, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OA-2018-0259, by the following method:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov/> (our preferred method). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the Docket ID No. for this rulemaking. Comments received may be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov/>, including any personal information provided.

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comments via <https://www.regulations.gov> or email, as there will be a delay in process mail and no hand deliveries will be accepted. For further information on EPA Docket Center services, please visit us online at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On March 18, 2020, EPA published a supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking (SNPRM) titled “Strengthening Transparency in Regulatory Science” (85 FR 15396), which includes clarifications, modifications and additions to certain provisions in the Strengthening Transparency in Regulatory Science Proposed Rulemaking, published on April 30, 2018 (83 FR 18768). The SNPRM proposed that the scope of the rulemaking apply to influential scientific information as well as significant regulatory decisions. That notice proposed definitions and clarified that the proposed rulemaking would apply to data and models underlying both pivotal science and pivotal regulatory science. In the SNPRM, EPA also proposed a modified approach to the public availability provisions for data and models that would underlie significant regulatory decisions and an alternate approach. Finally, EPA requested comment on whether to use its housekeeping authority independently or in conjunction with appropriate environmental statutory provisions as authority for the rulemaking.

This document extends the public comment period for the proposed rule to ensure that the public has sufficient time to review and comment on the proposal.

Dated: April 2, 2020.

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