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## Top Highlights

### Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources

(*Secretaría de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales* or SEMARNAT)

- **Administrative Simplification:** On April 24, 2025, SEMARNAT **published the agreement** announcing the administrative simplification measures applied and issuing and modifying the formats of the procedures under the responsibility of SEMARNAT, which aims to facilitate and expedite the registration, monitoring and resolution of procedures in electronic format to expedite their submission and reduce compliance costs. Within the content of the Agreement, the main points are presented:
  - New format of the procedure; open combustion notice
  - Modifications to the following formats: 1) authorizations regarding the use of timber forest resources, 2) request for registration certificate and notice of modification of data registered in the National Forest Registry, 3) notice of withdrawal, notice of non-requirement of authorization and notice of change of ownership of the authorization in matters of environmental impact, 4) registry of generators of hazardous waste and 5) proposal for remediation (emergency or environmental liability)
- **Official Non-Working Days for 2025:** On April 14, 2025, SEMARNAT **published the agreement** by which the general public is informed of the days in 2025 that will be non-working days for administrative acts and procedures carried out before the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, including its decentralized administrative bodies. The designated non-working days are April 17-18, May 1, May 5, Sept. 16, Nov. 17 and Dec. 18-31, 2025, as well as Jan. 2, 2026.



## Congress Report: What to Expect

### National Agency for Industrial Safety and Environmental Protection of the Hydrocarbon Sector

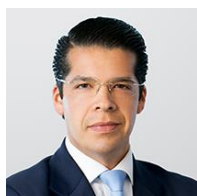
(*Agencia Nacional de Seguridad Industrial y de Protección al Medio Ambiente del Sector Hidrocarburos* or ASEA)

- Preliminary projects of the National Commission for Regulatory Improvement (*Comisión Nacional de Mejora Regulatoria* or CONAMER):
  - **Preliminary Draft Simplification Actions Before ASEA:** The purpose of the agreement is to establish simplification measures aimed at improving a procedure or regulation, making it more efficient, simpler and less costly for individuals. To this end, it establishes the merger of various procedures and creates formats for replacing the free written forms submitted.
  - **Preliminary Draft of the Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-020-ASEA-2024:** Transportation of natural gas by land pipelines (cancels NOM-007-ASEA-2016, transportation of natural gas, ethane and

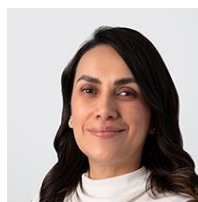
gas associated with mineral coal by pipelines). The preliminary draft aims to establish technical specifications, as well as safety and protection requirements that must be met in the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the natural gas transportation system through land pipelines.

- **Preliminary Draft Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-019-ASEA-2024:** Natural gas processing facilities (cancels NOM-137-SEMARNAT-2013, atmospheric pollution, gas processing complexes, control of emissions of sulfur compounds). The preliminary draft aims to establish the specifications, requirements and technical safety and protection elements that must be met by regulated entities that have facilities that carry out natural gas processing activities during the design, construction, pre-startup, operation and maintenance stages to prevent harm to people, the environment and facilities.

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