

## **FDA REQUESTS COMMENTS ON THE EFFECTS OF EXTREME WEATHER ON MEDICAL DEVICES**

Extreme Weather (EW) events and natural disasters can interfere with the manufacturing, shipping, storage, or use of marketed devices, which may lead to concerns with their safety or effectiveness. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is studying the potential effects of EW and natural disasters on medical device safety and quality. FDA is announcing at this time its request for comments on the topic of extreme weather effects on medical device safety and quality. Read the notice and instructions to comment at <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2013/02/21/2013-03993/extreme-weather-effects-on-medical-device-safety-and-quality> The deadline for comment was May 10, 2013.