

Information Renaissance

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- Our objective: an e-rulemaking system that facilitates broader public involvement and deeper discussions of the issues behind the rules.

e-rulemaking

- Objectives: What do non-profit groups want from e-rulemaking?
- Features: What aspects of an e-rulemaking system work toward these objectives?
- Which features merit highest priority?

Objectives

1. Transparency
2. Accountability
3. Impact (for our submissions)
4. Education (of stakeholders/public)
5. Encourage Participation
6. Usability
7. Machine Access
8. “Better” Rules

Simple Features

- Search Capabilities
- Indices
- Active Notification
- Background Information
- Follow-up
- Tracking

Advanced Features

- Structured Input Forms
- Open Modeling
- Rebuttal Comments
- Online Dialogue
- Continuous Electronic Record
- Web Services (machine interface)

Web Services

- Interface for bulk data transfers
- Standard vocabulary
- Analysis with local tools
- Submission of complex sets of comments
- Development of alternative front ends

Simple Features

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Search									
Indices									
Notify									
Background									
Follow-up									
Tracking									

Complex Features

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	*
Structure									
Modeling									
Rebuttals									
Dialogue									
Continuity									
Web Services									