The SEC's Latest Reg Flex Agenda: A Baker's Dozen

On Friday, the SEC released its <u>latest Reg Flex Agenda</u>. It's notable in that it's the first timetable for potential rulemaking we've seen from the SEC since Gary Gensler became the SEC Chair – and because it's ambitious in the number of rulemakings the SEC may undertake and underscores that the SEC is giving priority to ESG disclosure topics. I say "may" undertake because the Reg Flex Agenda tends to be aspirational – the SEC isn't committed to the rulemakings nor the timetable within it. Here are some of the more notable potential rulemakings:

- 1. Climate change disclosure proposal by October
- 2. Human Capital disclosure proposal by October
- 3. Cybersecurity risk governance proposal by October
- 4. Rule 10b5-1 plans proposal by October
- 5. Board diversity proposal by October
- 6. Rule 144 final by October
- 7. Clawback rules re-proposal by next April
- 8. SPACs proposal by next April
- 9. Shareholder proposals proposal by next April
- 10. Proxy advisors proposal by next April
- 11. Share buybacks proposal by next April
- 12. Universal proxy final by next April
- 13. Pay-for-performance final by next April

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