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Regulatory Flexibility Agenda

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: The Securities and Exchange Commission is publishing an agenda of its rulemaking actions pursuant to the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) (Pub. L. No. 96-354, 94 Stat. 1164) (Sep. 19, 1980). Information in the agenda was accurate on October 2, 2008, the day on which the Commission's staff completed compilation of the data. To the extent possible, rulemaking actions by the Commission since that date have been reflected in the agenda. The Commission invites questions and public comment on the agenda and on the individual agenda entries.

The Commission is now printing in the **Federal Register**, along with our preamble, only those agenda entries for which we have indicated that preparation of a Regulatory Flexibility Act analysis is required.

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DATES: Comments should be received on or before December 31, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Electronic comments:

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/ other.shtml); or
- Send an e-mail to rulecomments@sec.gov. Please include File Number S7-28-08 on the subject line; or
- Use the Federal eRulemaking Portal (http://www.regulations.gov). Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Paper comments:

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.

All submissions should refer to File No. S7-28-08. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help us process and review vour comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (http://www.sec.gov/rules/other.shtml). Comments are also available for public inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. All comments received will be posted without change; we do not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anne Sullivan, Office of the General Counsel, 202-551-5019.

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The following abbreviations for the acts administered by the Commission are used in the agenda:

"Securities Act"-Securities Act of 1933

"Exchange Act"—Securities Exchange Act of 1934

"Investment Company Act"— Investment Company Act of 1940

"Investment Advisers Act"—Investment Advisers Act of 1940

The Commission invites public comment on the agenda and on the individual agenda entries.

By the Commission.

Dated: October 2, 2008. Florence E. Harmon, Acting Secretary.

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554. SHAREHOLDER PROPOSALS

Legal Authority: 15 USC 77c(b); 15 USC 78m; 15 USC 78n; 15 USC 78o; 15 USC 78p; 15 USC 78w(a)

Abstract: The Commission adopted amendments to the proxy rules under the Exchange Act facilitating the creation of electronic shareholder forums; other aspects of the proposed rulemaking, including proposed amendments to enable shareholders to include in company proxy materials their proposals for bylaw amendments regarding procedures for nominating candidates to the board of directors, remain under consideration.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/03/07	72 FR 43466
NPRM Comment Period End	10/02/07	
Final Rule	01/25/08	73 FR 4450
Final Rule Effective Next Action	02/25/08 12/00/08	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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RIN: 3235-AJ92

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555. REVISIONS OF LIMITED OFFERINGS EXEMPTIONS IN REGULATION D

Legal Authority: 15 USC 77b(a)(15); 15 USC 77b(b); 15 USC 77c(b); 15 USC 77d; 15 USC 77r; 15 USC 77s; 15 USC 77s(a); 15 USC 77z–3

Abstract: The Commission proposed a new exemption from the registration provisions of the Securities Act for offers and sales of securities to "large accredited" investors in offerings where each purchaser meets that definition. The Commission also proposed changes to the definition of the term "accredited investor" in Regulation D to reflect developments since its first adoption. Finally, the Commission proposed shortening the timing required by the integration safe harbor in Regulation D and applying uniform updated disqualification provisions to all offerings under Regulations A, D, and E

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/10/07	72 FR 45116
NPRM Comment Period End	10/09/07	
Final Action	11/00/08	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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RIN: 3235-AJ88

556. PROXY DISCLOSURE REGARDING EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Legal Authority: 15 USC 77a et seq; 15 USC 78a et seq; 15 USC 80a et seq

Abstract: The Commission adopted rule amendments to enhance disclosure regarding executive compensation, the independence of a registrant's board of directors, related party transactions between executive officers and directors, and related party transactions with an issuer. In December 2006, the Commission adopted further changes as interim rules regarding additional disclosure related to the method of valuing certain compensation and solicited additional comments on those changes.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/08/06	71 FR 6542
NPRM Comment Period End	04/10/06	
Final Rule	09/08/06	71 FR 53158
Final Rule Effective	11/07/06	
Second NPRM	09/08/06	71 FR 53267
Second NPRM Comment Period End	10/23/06	
Interim Final Rule	12/29/06	71 FR 78338
Interim Final Rule Effective	12/29/06	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	01/29/07	
Final Action	11/00/08	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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RIN: 3235-AI80

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557. REVISIONS TO CROSS-BORDER TENDER OFFER RULES

Legal Authority: 15 USC 77c(b); 15 USC 77g; 15 USC 77h; 15 USC 77i; 15 USC 77j; 15 USC 77s; 15 USC 77z–3; 15 USC 78l; 15 USC 78m; 15 USC 78n; 15 USC 78w; 15 USC 78ll; 15 USC 78mm

Abstract: The Commission adopted changes to expand and enhance the utility of the exemptions for crossborder business combination transactions. The goal is to encourage offerors and issuers in cross-border business combinations, and rights offerings by foreign private issuers, to permit U.S. security holders to participate in these transactions in the same manner as other holders.

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Timetable:			Action	Date	FR Cite
Action	Date	FR Cite	Final Action Final Action Effective		73 FR 60050
NPRM NPRM Comment	05/09/08 06/23/08	73 FR 26876	Regulatory Flexibi		
Period End			Required: Yes		

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558. AMENDMENTS TO FORM ADV

Legal Authority: 15 USC 80b–4, 80b–6(4), 80bll(a), 80b–3(c)(1); 15 USC 77s(a); 15 USC 78(a), 78bbb(e)(2); 15 USC 77sss(a); 15 USC 78(s)–37(a)

Abstract: The Commission proposed amendments to Form ADV part 2 to require registered investment advisers to deliver to clients and prospective clients a brochure written in plain English.

The amendments are designed to require advisers to provide clients and prospective clients with clear, current, and more meaningful disclosure of the business practices, conflicts of interest, and background of investment advisers and their advisory personnel. Under the proposal, advisers would file their brochures with the Commission electronically, and the brochures would be available to the public through the Commission's Web site.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/17/00	65 FR 20524
NPRM Comment Period End	06/03/00	
Second NPRM	03/14/08	73 FR 13958
Second NPRM Comment Period End	05/16/08	
Final Action	12/00/08	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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RIN: 3235-AI17

559. TEMPORARY RULE REGARDING PRINCIPAL TRADES WITH CERTAIN ADVISORY CLIENTS

Legal Authority: 15 USC 80b–6a; 15 USC 80b–11(a)

Abstract: The Commission adopted on an interim final basis a temporary rule that will expire on December 31, 2009, to provide an alternative means for investment advisers who are registered with the Commission as broker-dealers to meet the requirements of section 206(3) of the Investment Advisers Act when acting in a principal capacity in transactions with certain of their advisory clients.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	09/28/07	72 FR 55022
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/30/07	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	11/30/07	
Final Action	11/00/08	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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560. ● INTERACTIVE DATA FOR MUTUAL FUND RISK/RETURN SUMMARY

Legal Authority: 15 USC 77e; 15 USC 77f; 15 USC 77f; 15 USC 77j; 15 USC 77s(a); 15 USC 77z–3; 15 USC 78c; 15 USC 78j; 15

USC 78l; 15 USC 78m; 15 USC 78n; 15 USC 78o(d); 15 USC 78w(a); 15 uSC 78jj; 15 USC 78mm; 15 USC 80a–6(c); 15 USC 80a–8; 15 USC 80a–24(e); 15 USC 80a–29; 15 USC 80a–37

Abstract: The Commission proposed rules requiring mutual funds to provide risk/return summary information in an interactive data format, which would improve its usefulness to investors. Under the proposed rules, risk/return summary information could be downloaded directly into spreadsheets, analyzed in a variety of ways using commercial off-the-shelf software, and used within investment models in other software formats.

Mutual funds would provide the risk/return summary section of their prospectuses to the Commission and on their Web sites in interactive data format using the eXtensible Business Reporting Language, XBRL. The interactive data would be provided as an exhibit to registration statements.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/23/08	73 FR 35442
NPRM Comment Period End	08/01/08	
Final Action	11/00/08	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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561. POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS BY CERTAIN INVESTMENT ADVISERS

Legal Authority: 15 USC 206(4); 15 USC 211(a); 15 USC 204

Abstract: The Commission proposed new Rule 206(4)-5, which would prohibit an investment adviser from providing advisory services for compensation to a Government client for 2 years after the adviser or any of its partners, executive officers, or solicitors makes a contribution to certain elected officials or candidates. The Commission also proposed rule amendments that would require a registered adviser that has Government clients to maintain certain records of the political contributions made by the adviser or any of its partners, executive officers, or solicitors.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite			
NPRM	08/10/99	64 FR 43556			
NPRM Comment	11/01/99				
Period End					
Next Action Undetermined					

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Required: Yes

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RIN: 3235–AH72

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562. DEFINITION OF ELIGIBLE PORTFOLIO COMPANY UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940

Legal Authority: 15 USC 80a–2(a)(46)(C)(iv); 15 USC 80a–37(a); 15 USC 80a–6(c)

Abstract: The Commission amended Rule 2a-46(b) under the Investment Company Act to more closely align the definition of eligible portfolio company, and the investment activities of business development companies (BDCs), with the purpose that Congress intended. The amendment expands the definition of eligible portfolio companies that list their securities on a national securities exchange.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/08/04	69 FR 64816
NPRM Comment Period End	01/07/05	
Final Rule	10/31/06	71 FR 64086
Final Rule Effective	11/30/06	
Second NPRM	10/31/06	71 FR 64093
Second NPRM Comment Period End	01/02/07	

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	05/20/08	73 FR 29044
Final Action Effective	07/21/08	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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563. RULE 15C2–2: CONFIRMATION OF TRANSACTIONS IN OPEN–END MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY SHARES, UNIT INVESTMENT TRUST INTERESTS, AND MUNICIPAL FUND SECURITIES USED FOR EDUCATION SAVINGS

Legal Authority: 15 USC 78j; 15 USC 78k; 15 USC 78o; 15 USC 78o; 15 USC 78q; 15 USC 78w(a); 15 USC 78mm

Abstract: The Commission proposed new Rule 15c2-2 under the Exchange Act, together with accompanying Schedule 15C. The Commission also proposed related amendments to Rule 10b-10. Proposed Rule 15c2-2 and Schedule 15C would provide for improved confirmation disclosure of distribution costs and conflicts of interest associated with transactions in mutual funds, municipal fund securities, and unit investment trusts. The amendments to Rule 10b-10 in part would reflect the new rule and would provide improved confirmation disclosure about certain callable securities. They also would clarify that the confirmation disclosure requirements do not determine brokerdealer disclosure obligations under other provisions of the law.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/10/04	69 FR 6438
NPRM Comment Period End	04/12/04	
NPRM Comment Period Extended	03/04/05	70 FR 10521
NPRM Comment Period End	04/04/05	
Second NPRM	12/00/08	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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RIN: 3235–AJ11

564. RULE 15C2–3: POINT–OF–SALE DISCLOSURE OF PURCHASES IN OPEN–END MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY SHARES, UNIT INVESTMENT TRUST INTERESTS, AND MUNICIPAL FUND SECURITIES USED FOR EDUCATION SAVINGS

Legal Authority: 15 USC 78j; 15 USC 78k; 15 USC 78o; 15 USC 78o; 15 USC 78q; 15 USC 78w(a); 15 USC 78mm

Abstract: The Commission proposed new Rule 15c2-3 under the Exchange Act, together with accompanying Schedule15D. Proposed Rule 15c2-3 and Schedule 15D would provide for

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pre-transaction "point of sale" disclosure of distribution costs and conflicts of interest associated with transactions in mutual funds, municipal fund securities, and unit investment trusts.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/10/04	69 FR 6438
NPRM Comment Period End	04/12/04	
NPRM Comment Period Extended	03/04/05	70 FR 10521
NPRM Comment Period End	04/04/05	
Second NPRM	12/00/08	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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RIN: 3235–AJ12

565. RULE 15C-100: SCHEDULE 15C

Legal Authority: 15 USC 78j; 15 USC 78k; 15 USC 78o; 15 USC 78o; 15 USC 78q; 15 USC 78w(a); 15 USC 78mm

Abstract: The Commission proposed new Schedule 15 and Rules 15c2-2 and 15c2-3 under the Exchange Act, together with accompanying Schedule 15D. The Commission also proposed related amendments to Rule 10b-10. Proposed Rules 15c2-2 and 15c2-3 and Schedules 15C and 15D would provide for improved confirmation and pretransaction "point of sale" disclosure of distribution costs and conflicts of interest associated with transactions in mutual funds, municipal fund securities, and unit investment trusts. The amendments to Rule 10b-10 in part would reflect the new rules and would provide improved confirmation disclosure about certain callable securities. They also would clarify that the confirmation disclosure requirements do not determine brokerdealer disclosure obligations under other provisions of the law.

Timetable:		
Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/10/04	69 FR 6438
NPRM Comment Period End	04/12/04	
NPRM Comment Period Extended	03/04/05	70 FR 10521
NPRM Comment Period End	04/04/05	
Second NPRM	12/00/08	
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566. RULE 15C-101: SCHEDULE 15D

Legal Authority: 15 USC 78j; 15 USC 78k; 15 USC 78o; 15 USC 78o; 15 USC 78q; 15 USC 78w(a); 15 USC 78mm

Abstract: The Commission proposed new Schedule 15D and Rules 15c2-2 and 15c2-3 under the Exchange Act, together with accompanying Schedule 15C. The Commission also proposed related amendments to Rule 10b-10. Proposed Rules 15c2-2 and 15c2-3 and Schedules 15C and 15D would provide for improved confirmation and pretransaction "point of sale" disclosure of distribution costs and conflicts of interest associated with transactions in mutual funds, municipal fund securities, and unit investment trusts. The amendments to Rule 10b-10 in part would reflect the new rules and would provide improved confirmation disclosure about certain callable securities. They also would clarify that the confirmation disclosure requirements do not determine brokerdealer disclosure obligations under other provisions of the law.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/10/04	69 FR 6438
NPRM Comment Period End	04/12/04	
NPRM Comment Period Extended	03/04/05	70 FR 10521

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NPRM Comment Period End	04/04/05	
Second NPRM	12/00/08	

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567. PROCESSING OF REORGANIZATION EVENTS, TENDER OFFERS, AND EXCHANGE OFFERS

Legal Authority: 15 USC 78b; 15 USC 78k-1(a)(1)(B); 15 USC 78n(d)(4); 15 USC 78o(c)(3); 15 USC 78o(c)(6); 15 USC 78q-1(a); 15 USC 78q-1(d)(1); 15 USC 78w(a)

Abstract: The Commission proposed amendments to Rule 17Ad-14 under the Exchange Act. The amendments would require the establishment of book-entry accounts in connection with reorganization events and would give securities depositories up to 3 business days after the expiration of a tender offer, exchange offer, or reorganization event to deliver physical securities certificates to the agents.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/04/98	63 FR 47209
NPRM Comment Period End	11/03/98	
Second NPRM	03/00/09	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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568. PUBLICATION OR SUBMISSION OF QUOTATIONS WITHOUT SPECIFIED INFORMATION

Legal Authority: 15 USC 78c; 15 USC 78j(b); 15 USC 78o(c); 15 USC 78o(g); 15 USC 78q(a); 15 USC 78w(a)

Abstract: As part of its efforts to respond to fraud and manipulation in the microcap securities market, the Commission proposed amendments to Rule 15c2-11. These amendments would limit the rule's piggyback provision and increase public availability of issuer information. The amendments would expand the information review requirements for non-reporting issuers and the documentation required for significant relationships between the broker-dealer and the issuer of the security to be quoted. Finally, the amendments would exclude from the rule securities of larger, more liquid issuers.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/25/98	63 FR 9661
NPRM Comment Period End	04/27/98	
Second NPRM	03/08/99	64 FR 11124
Second NPRM Comment Period End	04/07/99	

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	04/14/99

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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569. "NAKED" SHORT-SELLING ANTI-FRAUD RULE

Legal Authority: 15 USC 78b; 15 USC 78c(b); 15 USC 78f; 15 USC 78l(h); 15 USC 78j; 15 USC 78k-1; 15 USC 78o; 15 USC 78o-3; 15 USC 78q-1; 15 USC 78q-1; 15 USC 78s; 15 USC 78w(a)

Abstract: The Commission adopted an anti-fraud rule to address failures to deliver securities that have been associated with "naked" short-selling. The rule is intended to highlight the liability of persons that deceive another person about their intention or ability to deliver securities in time for settlement, including persons that deceive their broker-dealer about their locate source or ownership of shares.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/21/08	73 FR 15376
NPRM Comment Period End	05/20/08	
Final Action	10/17/08	73 FR 61666

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

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570. AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION SHO

Legal Authority: 15 USC 78b and 78c; 15 USC 78i to 78l; 15 USC 78o; 15 USC 78q; 15 USC 78q–1; 15 USC 78s; 15 USC 78w(a)

Abstract: The Commission proposed amendments to Rules 200(e)(3) and 203(b)(3) of Regulation SHO. The proposed amendments were intended to reduce the frequency that stock is not delivered after it is sold, by eliminating a grandfather provision and narrowing the options market maker exception to the close-out requirements of Regulation SHO. The proposed amendments were also intended to update the market decline limitation referenced in Rule 200(e)(3).

After considering the comments received in response to the proposed amendments, the Commission adopted amendments eliminating the grandfather provision of Rule 203(b)(3) and updating the market decline limitation referenced in Rule 200(e)(3) substantially in the form proposed. The Commission re-proposed and then adopted amendments to Rule 203(b)(3) to eliminate the market maker exception to the close-out requirements.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/21/06	71 FR 41710
NPRM Comment Period End	09/19/06	
NPRM Comment Period Extended	03/30/07	72 FR 15079
NPRM Comment Period End	04/30/07	
Final Rule	08/14/07	72 FR 45544
Final Rule Effective	10/15/07	
Second NPRM	08/14/07	72 FR 45558
Second NPRM Comment Period End	09/13/07	
Second NPRM Comment Period Extended	07/14/08	73 FR 40201
Extended Comment Period End	08/13/08	
Final Action	10/17/08	73 FR 61690

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