- · greater scrutiny by regulators and other parties
- regulatory actions that require JPMorgan Chase to restructure, curtail or cease certain of its activities
- the need for significant oversight by JPMorgan Chase's management
- · loss of clients or customers, and
- · harm to JPMorgan Chase's reputation.

## Reputation

## Damage to JPMorgan Chase's reputation could harm its businesses.

Maintaining trust in JPMorgan Chase is critical to its ability to attract and retain clients, customers, investors and employees. Damage to JPMorgan Chase's reputation can therefore cause significant harm to JPMorgan Chase's business and prospects. Harm to JPMorgan Chase's reputation can arise from numerous sources, including:

- employee misconduct, including discriminatory behavior or harassment
- · security breaches, including cyberattacks
- · failure to safeguard client, customer or employee information
- failure to manage environmental, social and sustainability risk issues associated with its business activities or those of its clients
- · compliance or operational failures
- · litigation or regulatory fines, penalties or other sanctions
- regulatory investigations or enforcement actions, or resolutions of these matters, and
- failure or perceived failure of clients, customers, counterparties or other parties to comply with laws or regulations, including companies in which JPMorgan Chase has made principal investments, parties to joint ventures with JPMorgan Chase, and vendors with which JPMorgan Chase does business.

JPMorgan Chase's reputation may be significantly damaged by adverse publicity or negative information regarding JPMorgan Chase, whether or not true, that may be published or broadcast by the media or posted on social media, non-mainstream news services or other parts of the internet. This latter risk can be magnified by the speed and pervasiveness with which information is disseminated through those channels.

Social and environmental activists are increasingly targeting financial services firms such as JPMorgan Chase with public criticism for their relationships with clients that are engaged in certain sensitive industries, including businesses whose products are or are perceived to be harmful to human health, or whose activities negatively affect or are perceived to negatively affect the environment, workers'

rights or communities. Activists have also engaged in public protests at JPMorgan Chase's headquarters and other properties. Activist criticism of JPMorgan Chase's relationships with clients in sensitive industries could potentially engender dissatisfaction among clients, customers, investors and employees with how JPMorgan Chase addresses social and environmental concerns in its business activities. Alternatively, yielding to activism targeted at certain sensitive industries could damage JPMorgan Chase's relationships with clients and customers, and with governmental bodies in jurisdictions in which JPMorgan Chase does business, whose views are not aligned with those of social and environmental activists. In either case, the resulting harm to JPMorgan Chase's reputation could:

- cause certain clients and customers to cease doing business with JPMorgan Chase
- impair JPMorgan Chase's ability to attract new clients and customers, or to expand its relationships with existing clients and customers
- diminish JPMorgan Chase's ability to hire or retain employees, or
- prompt JPMorgan Chase to cease doing business with certain clients or customers.

Actions by the financial services industry generally or individuals in the industry can also affect JPMorgan Chase's reputation. For example, concerns that consumers have been treated unfairly by a financial institution, or that a financial institution has acted inappropriately with respect to the methods used to offer products to customers, can damage the reputation of the industry as a whole. If JPMorgan Chase is perceived to have engaged in these types of behaviors, this could weaken its reputation among clients or customers.

## Failure to effectively manage potential conflicts of interest can result in litigation and enforcement actions, as well as damage JPMorgan Chase's reputation.

JPMorgan Chase's ability to manage potential conflicts of interest is highly complex due to the broad range of its business activities which encompass a variety of transactions, obligations and interests with and among JPMorgan Chase's clients and customers. JPMorgan Chase can become subject to litigation and enforcement actions, and its reputation can be damaged, by the failure or perceived failure to:

- adequately address or appropriately disclose conflicts of interest, including potential conflicts of interest that may arise in connection with providing multiple products and services in the same transaction
- deliver appropriate standards of service and quality
- treat clients and customers with the appropriate standard of care