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Committee on Small Business
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NOTICE OF HEARING
February 15, 2012
1:00 P.M. 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, Subcommittee on Healthcare and Technology

FROM: Renee Ellmers, Chairwoman

DATE: Wednesday, February 8, 2012

The Committee on Small Business Subcommittee on Healthcare and Technology will conduct a hearing entitled *Broadband: A Catalyst for Small Business Growth*. The hearing is scheduled to begin at **1:00 P.M. on February 15, 2012, in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.**

The purpose of the hearing is to examine the growth and importance of broadband to small businesses, including the role of the federal government in providing access to rural America. The Subcommittee will receive testimony from Ms. Mitzie Branon, General Manager, Yadkin Valley Telecom, Yadkin, NC, representing the National Telecommunications Cooperative Association, the Organization for the Promotion and Advancement of Small Telecommunication Companies, and the Western Telecommunications Alliance; Mr. Roger Bundridge, General Manager, NorthwestCell, Maryville, MO, representing the Rural Cellular Association; and Ms. Rebecca Sanders, Indiana Telehealth Network Director, Indiana Rural Health Association, Plainfield, IN, representing the National Rural Health Association.

A staff briefing will be held on Monday, February 13, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff has questions, please call Andy Karellas, Professional Staff for the Committee, at x55821.