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Washington, DC 20515-6515

NOTICE OF HEARING

September 8, 2016

10:00 A.M. 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access

FROM: Tim Huelskamp, Chairman

DATE: Wednesday, August 31, 2016

The Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access will meet for a hearing titled, "Struggling to Grow: Assessing the Challenges for Small Businesses in Rural America." **The hearing is scheduled to begin at 10:00 A.M. on September 8, 2016 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.**

One of the biggest concerns regarding the future of the United States is the economic vitality of rural communities. In fact, 72 percent of the United States' land mass is considered rural. And yet from 2010 to 2014, more Americans left non-metropolitan counties than ever before. In the past, job growth in the United States has come from small businesses. But in recent years, increasing regulation and a lack of sources for financial capital have created a business environment that disproportionately affects small businesses and startups in rural communities. This hearing will examine hurdles facing rural small businesses and startups following the Great Recession.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Daniel Brown, Policy Assistant to the Committee, at 202-225-5821.