Congress of the United States

H.S. House of Representatives Committee on Small Business 2361 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-6515

NOTICE OF HEARING February 6, 2014 10:00 A.M. 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO:

Members, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade

FROM:

Scott Tipton, Chairman

DATE:

Thursday, January 30, 2014

The Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade will meet for a hearing titled, "Duplication, Overlap and Fragmentation in Federal Financial Assistance Programs." The hearing is scheduled to begin at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, February 6, 2014 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

The purpose of this hearing is to examine overlap and duplication between guaranteed loan programs operated by the United States Small Business Administration and the United States Department of Agriculture. The United States Government Accountability Office examined these programs and found that they may overlap and offer fragmented assistance to entrepreneurs. This hearing will examine the extent of overlap and duplication between programs; what steps, if any, the agencies have taken to implement GAO's recommendations in its report; and what other actions may be necessary to reform the programs to ensure the most efficient use of taxpayer dollars.

A staff briefing will be held on Monday, February 3, 2014 at 2:00 P.M. in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff has questions, please call Andy Guggenheim, Counsel with the Committee at 5-5821.