

Congress of the United States
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Small Business
2361 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-6515

NOTICE OF HEARING
January 15, 2014
1:00 P.M. 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, Committee on Small Business

FROM: Sam Graves, Chairman

DATE: Wednesday, January 8, 2014

The Committee on Small Business will meet for a hearing titled, *The Power of Connection: Peer-to-Peer Businesses*. The hearing is scheduled to begin at **1:00 P.M. on January 15, 2014, in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.**

A peer-to-peer business (P2P business) typically creates a platform which acts as a conduit between buyers and sellers or entrepreneurs and consumers broadly. While the economic effects are currently debated, it appears clear that the P2P business model is shifting parts of the economy while reducing barriers to entry into the marketplace for individuals. The hearing will focus on the rise of this distinctive business model, its ability to create or advance the development of microentrepreneurs and small businesses, and the macroeconomic effects of P2P businesses.

A staff briefing will be held on Monday, January 13, 2014, at 2:00 P.M. in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff has any questions, please contact Corey Cooke, Counsel for the Committee, at 202-225-5821.