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Committee on Small Business
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NOTICE OF HEARING

March 21, 2013

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

TO: Members, Subcommittee on Health and Technology

FROM: Chris Collins, Chairman

DATE: Thursday, March 14, 2013

The Committee on Small Business Subcommittee on Health and Technology will meet for a hearing titled, *Protecting Small Businesses Against Emerging and Complex Cyber-Attacks*. The hearing is scheduled to begin at **10:00 A.M. on March 21, 2013 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.**

Information technology has the potential to transform the way small businesses operate and compete in the 21st Century. However, as new technologies are deployed, additional opportunities exist for cyber-criminals to attack firms and steal their valuable information. According to a recent study, nearly 20 percent of all cyber-attacks were directed to small businesses with less than 250 employees. The statistics also show that nearly 60 percent of small businesses will close within six months after a cyber-attack.

A staff briefing will be held on Monday, March 18, 2013 at 2:00 P.M. in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff has any questions, please contact, Andy Karellas, Professional Staff for the Committee, at 202-225-5821.