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H.S. House of Representatives Committee on Small Business 2361 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0515

NOTICE OF HEARING November 19, 2015 10:00 A.M. 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade

FROM: Carlos Curbelo, Chairman

DATE: Thursday, November 12, 2015

The Committee on Small Business Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade will meet for a hearing titled, "Improving Size Standards for Small Farmers and Ranchers." The hearing is scheduled to begin at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, November 19, 2015 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

The Subcommittee will examine H.R. 3714, the "Small Agriculture Producer Size Standards Improvements Act of 2015." The bill would amend the Small Business Act and require the Small Business Administration (SBA) to establish small business size standards for agricultural producers through the notice and comment rulemaking process. In contrast to the size standards established for all other industries by the SBA, the size standard for agriculture enterprises is established by statute and has not been updated in 15 years.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, November 16, 2015 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Viktoria Ziebarth, Counsel, or James Burchfield, Professional Staff, to the Committee, at 202-225-5821.