Congress of the United States

H.S. House of Representatives Committee on Small Business 2561 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-6515

NOTICE OF HYBRID HEARING March 1, 2022 10:00 A.M., Zoom/ 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, Committee on Small Business

FROM: Nydia Velázquez, Chairwoman

DATE: Tuesday, February 22, 2022

The Committee on Small Business will hold a hybrid hearing titled: "Competition and the Small Business Landscape: Fair Competition and a Level Playing Field." The hearing is scheduled to begin at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 1, 2022 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building. Participating members can also join remotely via Zoom.

Antitrust laws exist to promote competition and prohibit anti-competitive behavior by large firms. However, the U.S. economy has seen continued concentration among its industries since the 1970s. Although this issue is traditionally viewed through the lens of consumers, consolidated industries can be particularly harmful to small firms and new startups. This hearing will examine the history of antitrust law and the historical importance of encouraging fair competition and their potential impacts on small firms. Members will hear from a variety of experts about competition policy through the lens of American small firms.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, February 28, 2022 through Zoom.

If you or your staff have questions, please contact Michael Stein, Counsel for the Committee.