## Congress of the United States

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

## NOTICE OF HEARING May 16, 2019 10:00 A.M., 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

**TO:** Members, Subcommittee on Contracting and Infrastructure

FROM: Jared Golden, Chairman

DATE: Thursday, May 9, 2019

The Committee on Small Business Subcommittee on Contracting and Infrastructure will meet for a hearing titled, "Oversight of the SBA's Women-Owned Small Business Federal Contract Program." The hearing is scheduled to begin at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, May 16, 2019 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

The Carl Levin and Howard P. "Buck" McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (NDAA) brought significant changes to the Women-Owned Small Business Program (WOSB Program). Specifically, it authorized the Small Business Administration (SBA) to implement sole-source authority; eliminate the possibility of businesses to self-certify eligibility to the WOSB Program and; allowed SBA to put in place a new certification process. In 2019, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) issued a study discussing the extent to which these changes had been implemented and other oversight concerns that had been previously identified. The hearing will focus on GAO's findings and SBA's actions to address them.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, March 13, 2019 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff have questions, please contact Irene Rivera, Procurement Counsel for the Committee, at 202-225-4038.