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Committee on Small Business
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NOTICE OF HEARING

May 25, 2017

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

TO: Members, Subcommittees on Contracting and Workforce and Investigations, Oversight, and Regulations

FROM: Steve Knight, and Trent Kelly, Chairmen

DATE: Thursday, May 18, 2017

The Subcommittees on Contracting and Workforce and Investigations, Oversight, and Regulations will meet for a joint hearing titled, "All Work and No Pay: Change Orders Delayed for Small Construction Contractors." The hearing is scheduled to begin at **10:00 A.M. on Thursday, May 25, 2017 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.**

The hearing will examine the effects of agency delays in approval and payment of contract modifications, known as "change orders," on federal construction contracts. Small contractors and subcontractors must pay out of pocket for employees, equipment, materials, and taxes, financing the work performed pursuant to the change order, while agencies delay payment for the work performed. This creates an untenable, financially unstable situation for small business contractors and subcontractors. This hearing will examine the effects of change orders on small contractors and potential solutions to alleviate the financial burden on them caused by agency delay in approval and payment of change orders.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, May 22, 2017 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Vivian Ling, Counsel to the Committee, at 202-225-5821.