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<u>UPDATED</u> <u>NOTICE OF HEARING</u> <u>June 22, 2017</u> 10:00 A.M. 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy, and Trade

FROM: Rod Blum, Chairman

DATE: Thursday, June 15, 2017

The Committee on Small Business Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy, and Trade will hold a hearing titled, "Improving Broadband Deployment: Solutions for Rural America." The hearing is scheduled to begin at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, June 22, 2017 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

The hearing will focus on broadband deployment efforts by small telecommunications companies that traditionally supply the bulk of such services to the most rural parts of America. Witnesses will also discuss the potential for policy changes at the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and what the FCC has done to help or hinder broadband deployment. Additionally, witnesses will suggest potential policy changes Congress could make to improve broadband access in the nation's underserved areas.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, June 19, 2017 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Joe Hartz, Senior Professional Staff to the Committee, at 202-225-5821.