

August 17, 2012

The Honorable Jo Ann Emerson
Chairwoman
Subcommittee on Financial Services
and General Government
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Emerson:

This letter serves as notice that the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) intends to reprogram up to \$1.5 million in unobligated Small Business Jobs Act funding within the Salaries and Expenses Appropriation Account to the Veterans Business Development Program. These funds will be used to enhance SBA's participation in various initiatives to support the estimated 288,000 service members expected to transition to civilian life during the next 12 months.

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If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact me directly. If your staff would like further information on the reprogramming, they may contact Mr. Nick Coutsos, Assistant Administrator for Congressional and Legislative Affairs, at (202) 205-6700. We are happy to meet with you or your staff at your convenience. A similar letter is being sent to Chairman Durbin, Senator Moran, and Representative Serrano.

With warmest regards,

Karen G. Mills

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The Honorable Richard Durbin
Chair, Subcommittee on Financial Services
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United States Senate
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