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Barreto Announces Appointment of Stephen Galvan As Chief of Staff at the SBA

WASHINGTON – U.S. Small Business Administration Administrator Hector V. Barreto announced today the appointment of Stephen Galvan as SBA chief of staff. Galvan, who has been serving as acting chief of staff, has also served as the SBA's chief information officer. He currently also holds the position of chief operating officer, and is expected to continue in that office in addition to his new duties.

"Steve Galvan has served as a valuable member of my management team, and I know that he is eager to take on more responsibility as the SBA continues to serve America's small business owners," Barreto said. "Steve's understanding of SBA operations and his commitment to this agency make him the perfect person to serve in this important position."

As chief of staff, Galvan will oversee the SBA's day-to-day operations, ensuring that the Administrator's initiatives are carried out, and will serve as one of the primary advisors to both Administrator Barreto and Deputy Administrator Melanie Sabelhaus. Galvan, who as chief operating officer helped initiate the agency's internal "Execution Scorecard," is expected to take a strong leadership role in this and other similar initiatives to increase the SBA's internal monitoring of goals and accomplishments.

"I am very proud to serve as the SBA's chief operating officer and chief of staff," Galvan said. "I am honored that Administrator Barreto has put his trust in me, and I look forward to serving him, the President, and America's 25 million small business owners, who are so vital to our economy."

Before coming to the SBA, Galvan served as E-Government portfolio manager for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). There, he used modern technology to improve internal federal government processes to reduce costs in areas such as supply-chain management, financial management and knowledge management.

Galvan, a former entrepreneur, has extensive business and Information Technology management experience in telecommunications, media, utilities, consumer products and insurance industries. He has worked for Fortune 500 companies and consulting firms.

Galvan holds a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business, a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics from the University of Illinois, Chicago, and has done graduate work at the University of Illinois, Chicago in economics.