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SBA Announces Congressional and Legislative Affairs Additions

WASHINGTON - U.S. Small Business Administration Administrator Hector V. Barreto today announced numerous additions to the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs.

Anthony R. Bedell, who will serve as the office's associate administrator, comes to SBA from the Department of Labor, where he served for two years as senior legislative officer for Congressional Affairs in Office of the Secretary of Labor. Prior to that, Bedell was director of Legislative and Political Affairs for the American Nursery and Landscape Association.

Karen Hontz, who has been with the SBA since 1991, has been promoted to deputy associate administrator.

Other additions to the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs include Assistant Administrators Anne Bradbury, C. Edward Rowe and Brian Worth, and Legislative Assistants Michael Berkholtz, Bart James and Will Meade.

"I am proud of the team we have put together in our Congressional and Legislative Affairs office," said Administrator Barreto. "I have confidence in the job Anthony, Karen and the rest of the team will do in advocating for small business on Capitol Hill."

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