



May 21, 2008

The Honorable Baron Hill  
U.S. House of Representatives  
223 Cannon HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Hill,

On behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), the nation's leading small business advocacy group, I am writing to express our strong support for the Small Business Regulatory Equity Act of 2008. Thank you for introducing this important piece of legislation.

Small businesses employing fewer than 50 workers struggle the most with regulatory compliance due to their limited resources, specifically the lack of specialized human resources, accounting and legal staff. Your legislation will require the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to conduct an analysis of the impact of Federal regulations on small businesses in three categories, businesses with 15 or fewer employees, businesses with 16 to 35 employees and businesses with 36 to 50 employees.

NFIB members believe that regulatory agencies should be required to consider the indirect cost and impact of regulations on small business. By requiring GAO to study specifically how regulations impact the smallest of businesses will be critical in helping to guide Congress when they consider future federal regulatory legislation.

Thank you for your support for small business. We look forward to working with you to get this legislation signed into law.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Danner". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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