

# Congress of the United States

U.S. House of Representatives

Committee on Small Business

2361 Rayburn House Office Building

Washington, DC 20515-6515

June 26, 2009

The Honorable Robert A. Brady  
Chairman  
Committee on House Administration  
1309 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Brady:

In accordance with the regulations of the Committee on House Administration, I am submitting three copies of the monthly report for May 2009, including:

1. Summary of the progress of the specific investigations and studies for which funds were approved.
2. Fund Balance statements for the month and year to date.
3. Statement of Expenses for the month and year to date.
4. Franking Balance for the month and year to date.
5. Report of travel performed.
6. List of committee employees, job titles and gross monthly salaries.

Sincerely,



Nydia M. Velázquez  
Chairwoman

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COMMITTEE  
HOUSE ADMINISTRATION

**ACTIVITIES OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS  
111TH CONGRESS, 1st Session**

**MAY 2009 FULL COMMITTEE HEARINGS & MARK-UPS**

**05-06-09: "LEGISLATION TO REAUTHORIZE AND MODERNIZE SBA'S  
ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS"**

The Committee examined a legislative proposal to strengthen SBA's entrepreneurial development programs as well as to improve the capacity of these initiatives to spur growth in the nation's economy. The Committee received testimony from small business representatives.

**05-13-09: "THE ROLE OF SMALL BUSINESS SUPPLIERS AND MANUFACTURERS  
IN THE DOMESTIC AUTO INDUSTRY."**

This hearing examined the current conditions in the domestic automobile industry and its implications for small businesses throughout the U.S. The Committee received testimony on how the domestic automotive industry is critical to the small business economy.

**05-13-09: "MARKUP OF ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS'  
LEGISLATION"**

The Committee held a markup on legislation to reauthorize and modernize the U.S. Small Business Administration's entrepreneurial development programs. The legislation that was marked up was: HR 2352, "The Job Creation Through Entrepreneurship Act of 2009"

**5-20-09: "HEROES OF SMALL BUSINESS"**

Entrepreneurs from across the country testified on their small business success stories. The Committee examined the important role these firms play in creating jobs and growing our economy.

## MAY 2009 SUBCOMMITTEE HEARINGS

### **05-07-09: "HOW THE COMPLEXITY OF THE TAX CODE HINDERS SMALL BUSINESSES."**

The Subcommittee on Finance and Tax examined how the complex nature of our nation's tax laws affects a small business's ability to grow and expand. The Subcommittee heard testimony from small business owners and other advocates regarding changes to the current tax system.

### **05-14-09: "THE CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY IMPROVEMENT ACT AND SMALL BUSINESS."**

The Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing where small firms testified on the challenges they have faced in complying with the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act and how the Consumer Product Safety Commission can minimize related regulatory burdens.

### **05-21-09: "IMPACTS OF OUTSTANDING REGULATORY POLICY ON SMALL BIOFUELS PRODUCERS AND FAMILY FARMERS."**

The Subcommittee on Regulations and Healthcare heard testimony from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) on outstanding regulatory issues impacting the domestic biofuels industry. Representatives from the renewable fuels industry and family farmers discussed their recommendations and assessment of pending and interim regulations.

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**Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date**  
**May**

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**Total Authorization**

SBCD 111-1

**\$2,365,892.67****Less Expenses for:**

January 2009

\$161,249.50

February

\$155,402.26

March

\$149,138.49

April

\$149,799.80

May

\$147,926.10

**Total Expenses to Date:****\$763,516.15****Unexpended authorization****\$1,602,376.52**

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**Small Business Committee Minority**  
**SM000**  
**Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date**  
**May**

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**Total Authorization**

**SBRC111-1** **\$1,182,946.33**

**Less Expenses for:**

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January	2009	\$54,508.98
February		\$84,707.91
March		\$71,648.36
April		\$74,406.67
May		\$77,190.54

**Total Expenses to Date:****\$362,462.46****Unexpended authorization**

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**\$820,483.87**

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**Monthly Statement by Paid Date  
SBCD 111-1 May**

Description	YTD Including		Cumulative Total
	May	May	
Non-Statutory Compensation	\$143,637.50	\$742,140.66	\$742,140.66
Accrued Leave	\$0.00	\$1,044.44	\$1,044.44
Bonus	\$0.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
<b>11-Personnel Compensation subtotal</b>	<b>\$143,637.50</b>	<b>\$744,985.10</b>	<b>\$744,985.10</b>
Transit Benefits	\$286.88	\$1,142.99	\$1,142.99
<b>12-Benefits to Current Employees subtotal</b>	<b>\$286.88</b>	<b>\$1,142.99</b>	<b>\$1,142.99</b>
Commercial Transportation	\$484.71	\$950.93	\$950.93
Meals	\$0.00	\$105.53	\$105.53
Taxi/Parking/Tolls	\$25.00	\$121.90	\$121.90
<b>21-Travel subtotal</b>	<b>\$509.71</b>	<b>\$1,178.36</b>	<b>\$1,178.36</b>
DC Telecommunication Equipment (TRANSFER)	\$98.67	\$737.35	\$737.35
DC Telecommunication Service (TRANSFER)	\$235.00	\$940.00	\$940.00
Postage/Courier/Box rental	\$10.52	\$21.12	\$21.12
Franked Mail	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>23-Rent, Communications and Utilities subtotal</b>	<b>\$344.19</b>	<b>\$1,698.47</b>	<b>\$1,698.47</b>
Printing & Reproduction	\$33.50	\$234.50	\$234.50
Photographic (TRANSFER)	\$81.50	\$81.50	\$81.50
<b>24-Printing and Reproduction subtotal</b>	<b>\$115.00</b>	<b>\$316.00</b>	<b>\$316.00</b>
Technology Service Contracts	\$1,275.00	\$6,374.80	\$6,374.80
<b>25-Other Services subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,275.00</b>	<b>\$6,374.80</b>	<b>\$6,374.80</b>
Bottled Water	\$163.00	\$499.38	\$499.38
Food and Beverage	\$489.00	\$1,359.82	\$1,359.82
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$0.00	\$892.36	\$892.36
Office Supply (TRANSFER)	\$535.23	\$2,168.29	\$2,168.29
Publications/Reference Material	\$0.00	\$49.99	\$49.99
<b>26-Supplies and Materials subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,187.23</b>	<b>\$4,969.84</b>	<b>\$4,969.84</b>
Equipment & Software Maintenance	\$570.00	\$2,850.00	\$2,850.00
<b>31-Equipment subtotal</b>	<b>\$570.00</b>	<b>\$2,850.00</b>	<b>\$2,850.00</b>
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$0.59	\$0.59	\$0.59
<b>99-Miscellaneous subtotal</b>	<b>\$0.59</b>	<b>\$0.59</b>	<b>\$0.59</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$147,926.10</b>	<b>\$763,516.15</b>	<b>\$763,516.15</b>

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**Monthly Statement by Paid Date**  
**SBRC111-1 May**

Description	YTD Including		Cumulative Total
	May	May	
Non-Statutory Compensation	\$69,687.50	\$340,106.25	\$340,106.25
<b>11-Personnel Compensation subtotal</b>	<b>\$69,687.50</b>	<b>\$340,106.25</b>	<b>\$340,106.25</b>
Transit Benefits	\$260.00	\$739.03	\$739.03
<b>12-Benefits to Current Employees subtotal</b>	<b>\$260.00</b>	<b>\$739.03</b>	<b>\$739.03</b>
Commercial Transportation	\$577.20	\$577.20	\$577.20
Lodging	\$496.41	\$496.41	\$496.41
Meals	\$136.00	\$1,568.31	\$1,568.31
Taxi/Parking/Tolls	\$0.00	\$36.00	\$36.00
<b>21-Travel subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,209.61</b>	<b>\$2,677.92</b>	<b>\$2,677.92</b>
Telecommunications Service and Equipment	\$0.00	\$29.99	\$29.99
DC Telecommunication Equipment (TRANSFER)	\$49.33	\$368.65	\$368.65
DC Telecommunication Service (TRANSFER)	\$1,247.71	\$1,600.21	\$1,600.21
DC Telecommunication Tolls (TRANSFER)	\$0.00	\$3,254.18	\$3,254.18
<b>23-Rent, Communications and Utilities subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,297.04</b>	<b>\$5,253.03</b>	<b>\$5,253.03</b>
Printing & Reproduction	\$0.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
<b>24-Printing and Reproduction subtotal</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$65.00</b>	<b>\$65.00</b>
Technology Service Contracts	\$1,274.00	\$6,372.56	\$6,372.56
<b>25-Other Services subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,274.00</b>	<b>\$6,372.56</b>	<b>\$6,372.56</b>
Bottled Water	\$135.20	\$222.70	\$222.70
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$0.00	\$1,266.66	\$1,266.66
Office Supply (TRANSFER)	\$115.11	\$385.16	\$385.16
Publications/Reference Material	\$3,104.50	\$4,101.99	\$4,101.99
<b>26-Supplies and Materials subtotal</b>	<b>\$3,354.81</b>	<b>\$5,976.51</b>	<b>\$5,976.51</b>
Equipment & Software Maintenance	\$107.58	\$1,272.16	\$1,272.16
<b>31-Equipment subtotal</b>	<b>\$107.58</b>	<b>\$1,272.16</b>	<b>\$1,272.16</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$77,190.54</b>	<b>\$362,462.46</b>	<b>\$362,462.46</b>

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Franked Mail Allocation	\$5,000.00
January	\$2.17
February	\$204.96
March	\$26.34
April	\$18.92
May	\$3.36
June	\$0.00
July	\$0.00
August	\$0.00
September	\$0.00
October	\$0.00
November	\$0.00
December	\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENDED	\$255.75
Unexpended Allocation	\$4,744.25

**Travel Performed Report  
Committee on Small Business  
111th Congress, 1st Session  
May, 2009**

Traveler	Dates of Travel		Purpose	Itinerary	Reimbursement Claimed			Total	
	From	To			Transportation	Meals, Lodging, & Incidentals	Other		
Mark Palmer	4/13/2009	4/14/2009	Committee Business	DC-NY-DC	\$206.00	\$	253.71	\$ -	\$ 459.71
Barry Pineles	4/29/2009	5/2/2009	Committee Business	DC-CA-DC	\$577.20	\$	632.41	\$ -	\$1,209.61

**Committee on Small Business  
List of Employees  
May 2009**

<b>Employee</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Monthly Gross</b>
Ahmed, Zamir	Special Assistant	\$ 1,200.00
Bermúdez, Xinia G.	Staff Assistant	\$ 2,916.67
Christian, Lisa	Professional Staff	\$ 4,750.00
Danner, Laura Elizabeth	Staff Assistant	\$ 1,979.17
Dawson, Thomas J.	Health Care Counsel	\$ 9,583.33
Day, Michael F.	Staff Director	\$ 7,187.50
Elkins, Sarah Waites	Speech Writer	\$ 5,000.00
García, Moraima	Office Manager	\$ 4,916.67
Gutiérrez-Meléndez, Darienne	Special Assistant	\$ 4,166.67
Haas, Karen Lehman	Staff Director	\$ 13,750.00
Hartz, Joseph E.	Professional Staff	\$ 6,666.67
Haurek, Alex	Communications Director	\$ 8,750.00
Jiminez, Martin A.	Banking Counsel	\$ 11,250.00
Landers, Angela S.	Communications Director	\$ 6,250.00
Lieberman, Erik	Regulatory Counsel	\$ 8,750.00
Maguire, William P.	Counsel - Technology	\$ 7,333.33
Minehardt, Adam H.	Deputy Staff Director	\$ 11,500.00
Neasham Jr., Jon D.	Press Secretary	\$ 5,416.67
Oliver, Janet L.	Counsel	\$ 10,000.00
Orban, Russell	General Counsel	\$ 9,583.33
Palmer, Mark M.	Agriculture Counsel	\$ 10,833.33
Parmar, Naveen	Tax Counsel	\$ 9,166.67
Pineles, Barry	Regulatory Counsel	\$ 12,083.33
Ribas, Gail Elizabeth	Press Secretary	\$ 6,666.67
Robertson, Kyle Stephen	Professional Staff	\$ 6,250.00
Sass, Paul J.	Deputy COS / Prof Staff	\$ 3,750.00
Shupe, Brooke A	Professional Staff	\$ 1,625.00
Slattery, Timothy J.	Chief Counsel	\$ 12,333.33
Smith, Buffy Renee	Scheduler	\$ 2,583.33
Witenstein, Nicole Erin	Trade Counsel	\$ 7,083.33