

Construction Industry Procurement Coalition

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Chairwoman Nydia M. Velázquez
Small Business Committee
U.S. House of Representatives
2302 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Ranking Member Steve Chabot
Small Business Committee
U.S. House of Representatives
2408 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

RE: Support Small Business Payment for Performance Act of 2019, H.R. 2344

Dear Chairwoman Velázquez and Ranking Member Chabot,

We, the undersigned 16 construction industry trade and professional organizations representing tens of thousands of firms and individuals engaged in architecture, engineering, surveying and mapping, prime contracting, subcontracting, specialty trade contracting, supplying, and surety bond producing, urge you to support the Small Business Payment for Performance Act, H.R. 2344, requiring timely partial payments for agency directed changes to a federal contract at the Small Business Committee markup.

H.R. 2344 would require federal agencies to make interim partial payments to their construction prime contractors for unilateral changes in contract performance directed by the buying agencies. These reforms will help small business construction contractors and subcontractors shoulder the financial burden of unilateral agency changes to a contract.

Again, we urge you to support the Small Business Payment for Performance of 2019. Thank you for your consideration of the construction industry.

Sincerely,
The Below Signed Associations:

American Council of Engineering Companies
American Institute of Architects
American Society of Civil Engineers
American Subcontractors Association
Associated General Contractors of America
Association of the Wall and Ceiling Industry
Design Build Institute of America
Construction Management Association of America
Council on Federal Procurement of Architectural and Engineering Services
Independent Electrical Contractors
National Association of Surety Bond Producers
National Electrical Contractors Association
National Society of Professional Surveyors
Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning Contractors National Association
Surety & Fidelity Association of America
Women Construction Owners & Executives

CC: Members of the House Oversight & Reform Committee