

Agenda

8:30 AM Registration and Breakfast

9:00 AM Opening Remarks

- Harry Alford, Committee ChairPresident and Chief Executive Officer, National Black Chamber of Commerce
- Daren Bakst, Counsel & Committee ExecutiveEnvironment, Technology & Regulatory Affairs, U.S. Chamber of Commerce

9:15 AM Keynote *Featuring Representative Hultgren (R-IL)*

Representative Randy Hultgren (R-IL) will discuss his bill, the Regulatory Sunset and Review Act (H.R. 3068), which wouldimplement a sunset review process for significant regulations—agencies would be required to regularly review significant rules. Thebill would play an important role in reducing the costs imposed on business.

9:45 AM *What is the Truth About the Cost of Regulation?*

There have been wildly conflicting claims by various organizations, and even the Obama Administration, as to the true number andcost of federal regulations. The panel will examine these claims and separate the myths from the facts. Specifically, the panel willaddress:

1. What are the costs of recent regulations compared to past regulations?
2. Has the number of regulations increased?
3. Has the number of “economically significant” and/or “major” rules increased?
4. Are the Obama Administration regulations more beneficial than the Bush Administration regulations as is being claimed?

- Ron Bird, Economist/Regulatory Analyst, U.S. Chamber of Commerce
- Susan E. Dudley, Director, GW Regulatory Studies Center, Research Professor of Public Policy & Public Administration, The George Washington University, former Director of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs
- James Gattuso, Senior Research Fellow in Regulatory Policy, The Heritage Foundation
- Sam Kazman, General Counsel, Competitive Enterprise Institute
- Moderator: Chairman Harry Alford

10:45 AM Congressional Overview - Ron Eidshaug, Vice President Congressional and Public Affairs, U.S. Chamber of Commerce

11:05 AM Division Update - William Kovacs, Senior Vice President Environment, Technology & Regulatory Affairs, U.S. Chamber of Commerce

11:30 AM Adjourn