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Small Business Administration (SBA) Streamlines Reporting Requirements for Women's Business Centers

The resulting reduction of burdensome paperwork allows centers to focus on improving services to women entrepreneurs

Washington, D.C. – The Association of Women's Business Centers (AWBC) applauds the Administrator of the Small Business Administration (SBA) Linda McMahon for delivering on a commitment to decrease unnecessary paperwork and streamline women's business center reporting requirements. The changes, initially suggested by the Office of Women's Business Ownership, have been an AWBC priority for several years. The new streamlined reporting requirements introduced in March have reduced burdensome paperwork and increased the efficiency of the Women's Business Centers (WBC) Program.

Today AWBC Interim President and CEO, Bonnie Nawara, released the following statement:

"With this decision, the SBA and Administrator McMahon have shown their leadership to women entrepreneurs. Eliminating redundant reporting requirements and unnecessary paperwork allows more time for WBCs to do what they do best – train, counsel and mentor women entrepreneurs," said Bonnie Nawara. "The AWBC thanks the Administrator for implementing changes that allow centers to assist America's job creators in launching and growing their own businesses."

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About AWBC: *The AWBC (www.awbc.org) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1998 to support the national network of Women's Business Centers (WBCs) with programming and advocacy. Each year, our members leverage WBC grants to operate more than 150 locations throughout the United States. WBCs have more than 25 years of success in providing business training, counseling, mentoring, and access to capital to women entrepreneurs. The WBC program is a public-private partnership with the U.S. Small Business Administration.*