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MEMORANDUM

July 3, 2025

To: Members, Subcommittee on Federal Law Enforcement

From: Committee Staff

Re: Hearing titled “From Protection to Persecution: EPA Enforcement Gone Rogue Under the Biden Administration”

On Wednesday, July 9, 2025, at 2:00 PM ET in room HVC-210 of the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center, the Subcommittee on Federal Law Enforcement will host a hearing titled “From Protection to Persecution: EPA Enforcement Gone Rogue Under the Biden Administration.”

I. BACKGROUND:

The Biden Administration weaponized environmental enforcement through the use of consent decrees to impose burdensome requirements on American businesses. Small business owners faced aggressive enforcement tactics like federal raids for relatively minor violations, while being coerced into costly consent decrees that threatened their livelihoods. The Trump Administration halted this EPA overreach, but existing Biden-era consent decrees continue to impose harmful financial burdens on businesses across the country.

II. HEARING PURPOSE:

This hearing will examine the Biden Administration’s weaponization of environmental enforcement and assess the ongoing harm caused by Biden-era consent decrees that continue to burden small businesses.

III. WITNESSES:

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