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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Teleconference Invitation

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Future "Significant Public Benefit" Parole Program For Entrepreneurs Thursday, June 25, 2015 2:30 - 4 p.m. (Eastern)

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) invites you to participate in a listening session on **Thursday, June 25,** from **2:30 to 4 p.m. (Eastern)** to provide feedback on a proposed "significant public benefit" parole program for entrepreneurs. This is one of the <u>executive actions</u> on immigration announced by President Obama on November 20, 2014.

Under this proposed <u>initiative</u>, and based on the Secretary's existing statutory parole authority, Department of Homeland Security may extend parole, on a case-by-case basis, to eligible founders of start-up enterprises who may not yet qualify for a national interest waiver, but who:

- Have been awarded substantial U.S. investor financing; or
- Otherwise hold the promise of innovation and job creation through the development of new technologies or the pursuit of cutting-edge research.

During the listening session, USCIS officials will seek your input on this initiative. We also encourage you to submit answers to the attached questions, either before or after the engagement. Send your responses to <u>Public.Engagement@uscis.dhs.gov</u>.

To register for this session, please follow these steps:

- Visit our <u>registration page</u>
- Enter your email address and select "Submit"
- Select "Subscriber Preferences"
- Select the "Event Registration" tab
- Provide your full name and organization, if any
- Complete the questions and select "Submit"

Once we process your registration, you will receive a confirmation email with details about how to participate in the teleconference. If you have any questions regarding the registration process, or if you have not received a confirmation email within two business days, please email us at <u>Public.Engagement@uscis.dhs.gov</u>.

Note to Media: This engagement is not for press purposes. Please contact the USCIS Press Office at (202) 272-1200 for any media inquiries.

We look forward to engaging with you!