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Majority Of Business Owners Optimistic About U.S. Economy In 2015

NEW YORK, Jan. 5, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Newtek Business Services Corp., (NASDAQ: NEWT) (www.thesba.com) [The Small Business Authority](#)[®], with a portfolio of over 100,000 business accounts, announced today the findings of its SB Authority Market Sentiment Survey, a monthly window into the concerns of independent business owners. Based on a poll of over 1,100 respondents, the key finding from the December survey is 77% of business owners are more optimistic than pessimistic regarding the U.S. economy going into 2015.



The full December 2014 results showed the following:

Poll Question	Poll Answer	Percentage
Going into 2015, regarding the U.S. Economy, are you:	More optimistic	77%
	More pessimistic	23%

Barry Sloane, Chairman, President and CEO of [The Small Business Authority](#)[®] commented, "Business owners are far more optimistic about the 2015 economic environment [than they were in 2014](#). A robust stock market, low interest rate environment and the U.S. economy demonstrating superiority over all other countries is what is driving the significant optimistic shift amongst our independent business owners."

About Newtek Business Services Corp.

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expectations, are contained in Newtek's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission and available through <http://www.sec.gov>.

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