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RAHALL PUSHES FOR VW PLANT

WASHINGTON D.C. --- WEST VIRGINIA'S FOURTH DISTRICT
CONGRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL, HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH TWO HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, URGING THEM TO SUPPORT
LEGISLATION TO HELP SECURE A 500-JOB EXPANSION OF THE SOUTH
CHARLESTON VOLKSWAGEN PLANT.

IN LETTERS TO REP. MELVIN PRICE, CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE, AND REP. JAMIE WHITTEN, CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE; RAHALL SAID, "THIS PLANT EXPANSION IS VERY IMPORTANT TO THE FUTURE OF THE KANAWHA VALLEY AND TO THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA."

"IT IS IMPERATIVE," RAHALL STRESSED, "THAT PRESENT JOBS BE MAINTAINED, AND THAT THE POSSIBLITY OF FUTURE ADDITIONAL JOBS REMAIN STRONG."

CONGRESSMAN RAHALL WENT ON TO SAY, "FOR WEST VIRGINIA TO EXPAND ITS ECONOMIC BASE, OUR BUSINESS CLIMATE MUST BE MADE ATTRACTIVE FOR INDUSTRIES CURRENTLY LOCATED IN THE STATE, AND LIKEWISE FOR THOSE THINKING OF RE-LOCATING IN WEST VIRGINIA."

THE LEGISLATION, IF APPROVED, WOULD ALLOW VOLKSWAGEN TO EXPAND ITS SOUTH CHARLESTON STAMPING FACILITY ON A 5-ACRE TRACT OF LAND NOW OCCUPIED BY ARMY, NAVY, MARINE CORPS RESERVE CENTERS.

RAHALL POINTED OUT, "AN AMENDMENT WILL BE OFFERED TO THE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION ACT OF 1982, WHEN IT COMES TO THE HOUSE FLOOR WITHIN THE COMING WEEKS."

CONGRESSMAN RAHALL SAID HE WILL JOIN REP. ROBERT MOLLOHAN IN OFFERING THE AMENDMENT.