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RAHALL TO ADDRESS UMWA ACID RAIN CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON D.C. --- WEST VIRGINIA'S FOURTH DISTRICT CON-GRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL, CHAIRMAN OF THE CONGRESSIONAL COAL GROUP, WILL BE A FEATURED SPEAKER AT A CONFERENCE SPONSORED BY THE UNITED MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA ON THE SUBJECT OF ACID RAIN.

THE CONFERENCE, TO BE HELD IN COLUMBUS, OHIO, WILL RUN APRIL 5 AND 6. RAHALL'S ADDRESS WILL COME ON APRIL 5.

CONGRESSMAN RAHALL IS ALSO THE SPONSOR OF MAJOR LEGISLATION ON THE ACID RAIN ISSUE.

HR 1405, THAT RAHALL SUBMITTED IN EARLY FEBRUARY, WOULD REQUIRE THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY TO EXAMINE THE ACID RAIN SITUATION AND SUBMIT A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT TO CONGRESS BY 1987.

"SUCH A REPORT WOULD CONTAIN INFORMATION ON THE CAUSES AND EFFECTS OF ACID RAIN, INCLUDING DATA ON HOW IT COULD BE CONTROLLED, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY HOW SUCH CONTROLS WOULD IMPACT EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC GROWTH," CONGRESSMAN RAHALL POINTED OUT.

"WITHOUT MY LEGISLATION," RAHALL STRESSED, "CONGRESS COULD ENACT RESTRAINTS ON ACID RAIN THAT WOULD COST CONSUMERS BILLIONS OF DOLLARS, AND PUT MORE COAL MINERS OUT OF WORK. THIS IS SOMETHING I DO NOT WANT TO SEE HAPPEN."