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Washington D.C. --- West Virginia's Fourth District Congressman Nick J. Rahall, met with the administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, William Ruckelshaus, recent in Rahall's Washington D.C. office.

Ruckelshaus told Rahall, chairman of the Congressional Coal Group, that President Reagan had not yet made any decision on controls to halt acid rain.

Congressman Rahall observed after the meeting, "My hope is that the President will clearly discuss what is and what is not known about acid rain, and to make a decision in a way not to put coal miners out of work or add to the nation's utility bills." -30-