

tape for week of May 14

This is Congressman Nick Rahall.

This week, as chairman of the Congressional Coal Group, I will preside over a meeting of the Group with ~~xxxxxx~~ Japanese coal buyers.

This is a very important gathering for the coal industry and for the coal export market of the United States.

Through this meeting, both sides will be afforded the opportunity to discuss the status of the US-Japanese coal trade, and particularly we will express America's concern over the decline of this trade.

The meeting will also have immense ramifications for the coal industry in West Virginia, ~~xxxxxxx~~ since much of America's ~~xxxxx~~ export coal comes from the Mountain State.

This is your Congressman, Nick Rahall.