

TAPE FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 5

THIS IS YOUR CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL.

I AM PLEASED TO REPORT THAT IN THE FIRST FOREIGN AID BILL PASSED BY BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS SINCE 1981, MY AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH A FEDERAL COAL EXPORT COMMISSION WAS INCLUDED IN THE BILL SENT TO THE PRESIDENT. *While I was most unhappy with spending levels to foreign countries, at least W. Va. may finally benefit from this legislation.*  
THIS COMMISSION, MADE UP OF REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTH THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND THE GOVERNMENT, WITH FIVE SPOTS RESERVED FOR COAL LABOR, WILL HELP TO COORDINATE AND PROMOTE THE EXPORTING OF OUR DOMESTIC COAL TO FOREIGN BUYERS. SMALL AND MEDIUM SIZE PRODUCERS WOULD BE ENABLED TO ENTER INTO THE COAL EXPORT TRADE THROUGH THEIR REPRESENTATION ON THIS COMMISSION.

I FEEL THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FEDERAL COAL EXPORT COMMISSION WILL HELP THE U.S. BECOME A NATION AS DOMINANT IN THE EXPORTING OF COAL AS THE MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES ARE IN THE EXPORTING OF OIL.

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