news from ...

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE April 24, 1985

CONTACT: Jerry Burkot 202-225-3452

Congressman Nick Rahall

Mining Subcommittee to Hold Hearings on Coal Imports

Washington, D.C. -- Rep. Nick Rahall (D-WV) today announced that the Interior Subcommittee on Mining and Natural Resources, of which the 4th District Democrat serves as chairman, will hold oversight hearings on the importation and marketing of coal from other nations into the U.S. on Tuesday, April 30, 1985, at 9:45 am in Room 1324 of the Longworth House Office Building.

Testifying before Rahall's Subcommittee will be:

Rep. Hal Rogers (R-KY)

Richard Trumka, President of the United Mineworkers of America Pee Wee Burgess, V.P. of Drummond Coal, on behalf of the Mining and Reclamation Council of America

Ernst Upmeyer, V.P. of Electric Fuels Corp., a subsidiary of Florida Power Corp.

R.C. Kiddoo, President of Exxon Coal International Forrest Hill, President of Hill & Associates, Consultants A representative of the U.S. Department of Commerce A panel of Puerto Rican cement manufacturers

"The confidence of a coal-rich America becoming the dominant supplier in the world market has given way to the hard reality that the U.S. is today becoming a major importer of foreign coal," Rep. Rahall pointed out. "The focus of the testimony at this hearing will deal primarily with those involved with purchasing and producing imported coal and those who believe that foreign coal adversly impacts the U.S. From the information derived from this hearing, we will be able to formulate sound public policy to address this new threat to our coal miners."

The hearing will be open to the press and interested public.

-30-

343 Cannon H.O.B., Washington, DC 20515