

TAPE FOR WEEK OF JULY 21

THIS IS YOUR CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL.

LAST WEEK, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PASSED AN AMENDMENT OF MINE WHICH I FEEL WILL BE HELPFUL TO SAVING JOBS OF COAL MINERS IN OUR AREA. MY AMENDMENT PROHIBITS THE U.S. EXPORT-IMPORT BANK FROM FINANCING PROJECTS OVERSEAS WHICH MAKE PRODUCTS THAT IN TURN ARE EXPORTED TO THE UNITED STATES IN DIRECT COMPETITION WITH A PRODUCT MADE HERE AT HOME. AFFECTED BY THIS WOULD BE COAL.

I AM PLEASED THAT MY COLLEAGUES IN THE HOUSE RECOGNIZE THE GROWING THREAT TO AMERICAN JOBS POSED BY THE INFLUX OF CHEAP FOREIGN COMMODITIES INTO THE U.S., TAKING THE JOBS OF OUR PEOPLE, WHILE THESE FOREIGN PROJECTS ARE FINANCED BY U.S. TAXPAYERS DOLLARS. I HOPE THAT WE HAVE SENT A MESSAGE THAT THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WILL NO LONGER FINANCE THE UNEMPLOYMENT OF OUR WORKERS.

I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT AMERICANS WANT THEIR GOVERNMENT SUPPORTING FOREIGN PROJECTS WHICH CONTRIBUTE TO THE LOSS OF JOBS AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. I FEEL THE SAME WAY.

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