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Honorable Nick Rahall U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Rahall:

This is to follow-up our earlier communication to you regarding a successful grant application by GREATER APPALACHIAN OUTREACH, INC.

The Department of Education has just completed negotiations with GREATER APPALACHIAN OUTREACH, INC on the grant amount to be awarded under the TALENT SEARCH program (CFDA# 044A). The award is being made in the amount of \$180,000 for the project period 09/01/94 through 08/31/95. This grant award will be identified in the future as PR/Award # P044A40565-94.

The program description is as follows:

TO IDENTIFY, ENCOURAGE, AND ASSIST QUALIFIED DISADVANTAGED YOUTHS TO REENTER OR CONTINUE IN EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

The contact person at GREATER APPALACHIAN OUTREACH, INC is:

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If you have any specific questions about this grant, please don't hesitate to contact Larinese Young of my staff at (202) 401-1043.

Sincerely,

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