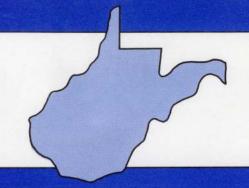
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July 15, 1994

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 EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTERS program (CFDA# 066A). The award is being made in the amount of \$186,765 for the project period 09/01/94 through 08/31/95. This grant award will be identified in the future as PR/Award # P066A40053-94.

The program description is as follows:

TO PROVIDE FED SUPPORT FOR THE COST OF ESTABLISHING & OPERATING EDUC OPPORTUNITY CENTERS IN AREAS OF LOW-INCOME FAMILIES

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,

Assistant Secretary

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