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THE WHITE HOUSE
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April 23, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR DEPARTMENT AND AGENCY INTERGOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS

FROM: HELEN MOBLEY *Hm*
SUBJ: WEEKLY REPORT

Attached are the weekly reports for the last two weeks. As you know, the monthly IGA meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 30 at 2:00 pm in the Roosevelt Room. If you have not yet called in with your birthdate, please do so by Wednesday, April 29th.

We will be sending to you, via fax, an agenda for the meeting by Tuesday.



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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April 20, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE BOBBIE KILBERG, DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

THROUGH: Cameron D. Bruemmer *CDB*
Deputy Director of Public Affairs

FROM: Gwendolyn T. Bronson, Director *GTB*
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

SUBJECT: Intergovernmental Affairs Report
Week ending April 17, 1992

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Under Secretary Roland R. Vautour spoke to the State Rural Development Councils' National Conference in Washington, D.C. on April 17 regarding the development and implementation of the State Rural Development Councils, the lynch pin of President Bush's Rural America Initiative. These councils, now expanded to all interested states, are a state-federal partnership designed to address the needs of rural America.

USDA ANNOUNCES NATIONAL FACTOR FOR 1990-1991 DISASTER PROGRAM PAYMENTS

Keith Bjerke, administrator of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, announced a national factor of 50.04 percent will be used to calculate payments to producers who filed claims for crop production losses under provisions of the 1990-1991 Disaster Program. Bjerke said qualifying producers' payments were calculated by determining the eligible amount of reduction loss and multiplying it by the applicable rate. "Because total payments are limited by the \$995 million allocated by Congress, it was necessary to factor this further," Bjerke said. "Producers may calculate their payments at once by using this percentage." The mailing of payment checks was scheduled to begin Tuesday, April 14.

FmHA TARGETS IMPROVED SERVICES TO NATIVE AMERICANS

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) hosted a seminar to identify ways to increase their Indian participation in FmHA programs for housing, farming, community facilities and business enterprises, a USDA official announced.

FmHA Indian coordinators, tribal leaders and other Indian officials from around the country convened in Oklahoma City, for a National Native American Seminar, April 14-15, said FmHA Administrator La Verne Ausman. Workshops dealt with such issues as FmHA housing programs on Indian reservations, guaranteed loans and barriers to credit generally. Jim Pace, director of Indian programs, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, U.S. Departmental of Agriculture introduced the keynote speaker Oren Lyons, a leading authority on Native American issues. Chief Lyons is an associate professor and director of Native American Studies at Syracuse University.



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

April 17, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR DEBRA ANDERSON
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND
DIRECTOR OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: DoD Weekly Report of Intergovernmental Affairs

I. PAST AND UPCOMING WEEK

On April 3, AT&T General Business Systems, Silver Spring, Maryland, was awarded an \$18,750,000 firm fixed price contract for the lease, purchase, and service of telecommunications stations equipment for the Department of Defense within the National Capital Region.

On April 15, the Chief of Staff, Army, General Gordon R. Sullivan, spoke at the Marshall Awards dinner held at the Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, Virginia, on the topic "Leadership."

On April 16, the Secretary of the Army addressed the graduating class of the Army Management Staff College in Alexandria, Virginia.

On April 17, the Secretary of the Army made remarks at the Bicentennial of the Army Capstone Ceremony at the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

On April 21, the Secretary of the Army will speak at an awards ceremony at Norwich University in Northfield, Vermont.

On April 22-24, the Army Chief of Public Affairs, Brigadier General Bill McClain, will participate in the McCormick Foundation Military/Media Symposium held in Chicago, Illinois.

On April 28, the Secretary of the Army will make remarks at the Worldwide Conference of Inspectors General to be held at Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

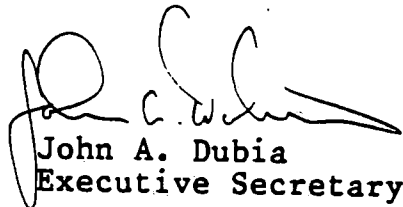
Eight Alabama Army National Guard soldiers are continuing to transport food to the Tuscaloosa Welfare Department Food Bank and to the Walker County Red Cross Bank for distribution. They are also continuing to provide potable water to communities with dry wells due to low water tables.

Two California Army National Guard soldiers are providing security for homeless individuals.

Two New Mexico Army National Guard soldiers were placed on active duty to deliver potable water to a public building after a water main break.

Forty-one South Dakota Army National Guard soldiers provided traffic control in assistance to civil authorities while firefighters battled a blaze in the Sica Hollow Park.

Two New York Army National Guard soldiers continue to assist local authorities in maintaining law and order on a Mohawk Indian Reservation.



John A. Dubia
Executive Secretary



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April 20, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE HONORABLE SHERRIE ROLLINS
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for Intergovernmental Affairs
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The White House

THROUGH: GREGG WARD *GW*
Assistant Secretary
Congressional and Intergovernmental
Affairs

FROM: DEBORAH L. LOUISON *DL Louison*
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Intergovernmental and Public Liaison

SUBJECT: Intergovernmental and Public Liaison Report

PREVIOUS WEEK'S INTERGOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

DOE Officials Meet with Texas State Senator on Pantex Plant Issues

On April 14, Acting Deputy Secretary Stuntz and Acting Under Secretary Hendrickson met with Texas State Senator Madden to discuss issues concerning the Department's Pantex Plant in Amarillo, Texas.

State Emergency Planning Seminar

On April 15-16, State, Federal and local officials participated in the first of a four-part series of State emergency planning seminars in Nashville, Tennessee, hosted by the Office of Emergency Planning and Operations and the Tennessee State Energy and Emergency Management Offices.

Introduction of Electric Vehicles

New York and Massachusetts have recently completed the process for adopting California's regulations for the introduction of electric vehicles.

City of Philadelphia Establishes Energy Policy Committee Meeting

Philadelphia Mayor Knox has requested that DOE's Philadelphia Support Office serve on a newly formed City Energy Policy Committee to help develop energy policies. Other invited members of the Committee include: the Region III EPA Administrator; the Director of the Pennsylvania Energy Office; the Philadelphia Electric Company; the University of Pennsylvania Energy Center; and local energy experts.

CURRENT WEEK AND FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Secretary Watkins to Inspect an Ohio Waste Minimization Project and Participate in a National Technology Initiative Conference

On April 22 and 23, Secretary Watkins will be in Cleveland, Ohio, to announce an expansion of the Federal program supporting waste minimization and to participate in a National Technology Initiative (NTI) conference. On April 22, the Admiral will inspect a waste minimization project at PPG Industries' Cleveland plant that is expected to significantly reduce the annual cost of producing automotive paints at the plant. The cost of the project is being shared equally by the company, DOE and EPA. The Federal grants are made through the National Industrial Competitiveness through Efficiency: Energy, Economics, and Environment program. Ohio Governor Voinovich and other local officials have been invited to attend. PPG Chairman Sarni will participate in the event. On April 23, the Secretary will participate in the day-long NTI conference, the fifth in a series of regional meetings between government and industry leaders to focus on opportunities to improve U.S. competitiveness through commercialization of new technologies.

Idaho Officials to Visit INEL for Briefings

On April 29, Idaho Attorney General Larry Echohawk and Deputy Attorney General Clive Strong will visit the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory (INEL) to receive briefings and tour the Idaho Chemical Processing Plant, Fort St. Vrain spent fuel storage facility, and the Radioactive Waste Management Complex. Other planned presentations will address technology transfer and the Test Reactor Area.

PREVIOUS WEEK'S PUBLIC LIAISON ACTIVITIES

On April 13, Admiral Watkins addressed the National Association of Fleet Administrators' Annual Conference in Toronto, Canada.

Liaison Activities in Support of the National Energy Strategy

Department officials met last week with representatives of the following organizations to help promote the passage of legislation that reflects the National Energy Strategy:

American Paper Institute
American Petroleum Institute
Chemical Manufacturers Association
Citizens for a Sound Economy
General Motors
Bethlehem Steel
Reynolds Metals
PPG
Independent Petroleum Association of America
U.S. Chamber of Commerce
Americans for Energy Independence

CURRENT WEEK AND FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Assistant Secretary Ward to Address Industrial Users Group

On April 22, Assistant Secretary Ward will address the Industrial Energy Users Forum at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. The group is made up of energy end users from the chemical, manufacturing and industrial sectors.

Acting Deputy Secretary Stuntz to Address Texas Oil & Gas Group

On April 22, Acting Deputy Secretary Stuntz will speak before the Annual Membership Luncheon of the North Texas Oil and Gas Association in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Assistant Secretary Randolph to Speak to Petroleum Engineers

On April 22, Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy Randolph will address the Society of Petroleum Engineers Eighth Symposium on Enhanced Oil Recovery in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Selection of Winning Advanced Oil Recovery Projects to be Announced

On April 22, Admiral Watkins will announce those projects selected to participate in Class I of the Advanced Oil Recovery Demonstration Program. The announcement will be made in a 10:00 a.m. press conference. Appropriate state and local and Congressional notifications will be made simultaneously. Acting Deputy Secretary Stuntz and Assistant Secretary Randolph will also make simultaneous announcements during their speeches at the above mentioned events.

DOE to Host National Science Bowl Finals

On April 24-27, DOE will host the finals of the Second Annual National Science Bowl competition. Thirty teams that were winners in regional competitions throughout the country will compete for the championship. DOE has submitted a request to the White House for a brief Rose Garden ceremony on Tuesday morning, April 28 to honor the winning team.

Aiken, South Carolina Chamber Officials to Visit DOE

On April 29, representatives of the Aiken, South Carolina, Chamber of Commerce will be briefed on issues related to the Savannah River Site by Acting Under Secretary Hendrickson and Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs Claytor.

Other Liaison Activities in Support of the National Energy Strategy

On April 23, Acting Deputy Secretary Stuntz will meet with the CEO's of the major energy associations to discuss the National Energy Strategy.

We continue to arrange meetings with leading representatives of the oil, natural gas, coal, electric, nuclear and renewable energy industries, and with business, consumer, transportation, labor and farm organizations, to discuss the Department's various initiatives and to build grassroots support for comprehensive energy legislation. The following organizations will be visited this week:

The Business Council
Gas Research Institute
R&D Industry Associations
Citizens for a Sound Economy

Attached is a copy of the most recent Senior Officials Speaking Engagements.

cc: Bobbie Kilberg
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Acting Deputy Secretary Linda Stuntz
Jim Phalen, CP-2



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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April 20, 1992

OFFICE OF REGIONAL OPERATIONS
AND STATE/LOCAL RELATIONS

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: White House Report

FROM: Laurie D. Goodman
Associate Administrator *Laurie Goodman*

TO: Barbara G. Kilberg
Deputy Assistant to the President and
Director, Intergovernmental Affairs

Associate Administrator Visit to Region VII: Laurie Goodman, Associate Administrator for Regional Operations and State/Local Relations, visited EPA Region VII on April 7. Her agenda included a tour of the Environmental Services Division, presentations on, and site visits to, Economy Chrome and Conservation Chemical Company, and a meeting with senior staff. Issues discussed with senior staff included contract management, strategic planning, Total Quality Management, and small communities' environmental concerns and programs.

Tenth Annual Native American Fish and Wildlife Society Conference: Regional Operations and State/Local Relations staff attended the 10th Annual Native American Fish and Wildlife Society Conference held jointly with the Intertribal Timber Council in Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 6-9. Over 600 attended the first joint meeting between the two organizations. New Mexico's Governor Bruce King welcomed the Native American participants and encouraged them to continue to work toward striving for a more environmentally conscious Nation. The conference focused on Inter-Agency Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Resources Management, GIS Application in Fish and Wildlife Management, Indian Forest Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Native American Policy, the Endangered Species Act and the Implications on Indian Resources Management, and the Native American Wildlife Enhancement Policy.

EPA Responds to Chicago Flood: Water and sediment from the Chicago River poured into utility tunnels and building basements in Downtown Chicago. Much of the central business district lost electrical service and had to be evacuated. EPA Region V Emergency Response staff, in conjunction with the Illinois EPA and the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District, is sampling

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standing water and sediment in basements for PCB's and heavy metals to advise the city and property owners on proper cleanup.


EPA Solid Waste Co-sponsors Recycle '92 Symposium: EPA co-sponsored the New Mexico Governor's Symposium on Recycling held April 9-10 at the Albuquerque Convention Center. Federal, state, and local government officials throughout the Southwest attended the two-day conference. The highlight was an address by Governor Bruce King. Vendors from across the country exhibited their recycled products and services.

Pipeline Explosion, Brenham, TX: On April 7 at approximately 7:15 a.m., a fire and explosion occurred at the Seminole Pipeline Storage facility in Brenham, Texas. The pipeline is owned by Union Texas Transmission and the storage facility is owned by Seminole Pipeline Company. There were 18 injuries and two deaths as a result of the fire and explosion. Approximately 50 houses within a two-mile radius were damaged. The explosion killed livestock and destroyed vegetation surrounding the site. Agencies responding to the blast were EPA, OSHA, National Transportation Safety Board, Texas Railroad Commission (TRRC), Texas Water Commission, and the Texas Department of Public Safety. There were two small oil spills incidental to the blast that the TRRC assumed lead on. EPA plans no further emergency response action covering this event.



April 17, 1992

MEMORANDUM TO: Bobbie Kilberg
Deputy Assistant to the President
and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

FROM : Schuyler J. Baab 
Director, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

SUBJECT : Intergovernmental Affairs Report --
April 13 - April 17, 1992

CURRENT ISSUESo CSG Task Force Reviews Healthy People 2000 Goals

Representatives from the HHS' Public Health Service and Office of Intergovernmental Affairs attended the Council of State Governments (CSG) National Committee and Task Force Meeting in Key Largo, Florida to assist the CSG's Health Policy Task Force as it considered ways to implement national objectives of Secretary Sullivan's Healthy People 2000 initiative. This initiative has identified over 300 national health promotion and disease prevention objectives and strategies intended to increase the span of healthy life of, reduce health disparities between, and achieve access to preventive services for all Americans. During its day-long meeting, the CSG Health Policy Task Force identified those objectives that could be achieved through State action. The task force plans to prioritize and develop strategies for implementing many of these objectives in the meetings later this year.



April 20, 1992

Memorandum For: Bobbie Kilberg
Deputy Assistant to the President
and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

From: Virginia Lamp Thomas
Deputy Assistant Secretary for
Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs

Subject: Weekly Report: April 13 - April 17, 1992

I. Current Secretarial Activities

EXECUTIVE ORDER ON THE BECK DECISION

On April 13, Secretary Martin announced steps that the Department of Labor is implementing immediately to strengthen the protections that the law provides for millions of American workers as a result of the President's Executive Order of April 13 on the Beck Decision.

JOB TRAINING 2000 ANNOUNCEMENT

On April 14, Secretary Martin accompanied President Bush to Frazier, Michigan. The President and the Secretary toured the Gittings and Lewis factory where the President announced the legislation for Job Training 2000. The proposed reform of the vocational education and job training system would streamline the existing system of 60 programs administered by seven agencies, currently costing \$18 billion. The President and Secretary Martin called on each Governor to initiate a Job Training 2000 strategy in his or her State. Secretary Martin this week wrote each Governor to announce incentive grants to be used by the States to assist in: 1) bringing together business, labor and community leaders in their State to develop ways to consolidate job training programs; 2) creating demonstration projects to showcase and expand exemplary efforts at the State and local level; and 3) proposing complementary State legislation and regulatory changes to eliminate barriers to a coherent job training system.

On April 14, the President announced that he is transmitting to Congress the Youth Apprenticeship Act of 1992. The President announced six Federal-State partnerships to develop and implement state-wide youth apprenticeship programs in Maine, Oregon, California, Iowa, Wisconsin and Michigan. Youth Apprenticeship

Research and Demonstration Projects will also be instituted to determine how to strengthen most effectively the transition from school to work.

The Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs staff notified the Governors of Maine, Michigan, Wisconsin, California, Oregon and Iowa of their selection for grants up to \$250,000 as States chosen to develop model apprenticeship programs.

PHILADELPHIA TRIP

On April 15, Secretary Martin visited the regional office of the Department of Labor (DOL), addressed the Regional Executive Council, presented the awards at the Region III Awards Ceremony, and visited the Tradeswomen of Philadelphia/Women in Non-Traditional Work (TOP/WIN) program. As part of her continuing effort to experience real work situations, Secretary Martin received hands-on fork lift training.

NEW YORK TRIP

On April 16, Secretary Martin addressed the Financial Executives Institute, speaking on the President's proposed reforms of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC), the Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills (SCANS), Job Training 2000 and implementation of the Beck Decision.

While in New York, Secretary Martin addressed the New York Chapter of the Society of Human Resource Managers, speaking on the labor agenda for the 90's, SCANS, the Glass Ceiling Initiative, Job Training 2000 and the economy.

On April 16, the National Mother's Day Committee honored nine women as "Outstanding Mothers:" Labor Secretary Lynn Martin, Joan Rivers, Paula Zahn, Cokie Roberts, Cathleen Black, Princess Yasmin Aga Kahn, Mary Lupo, Deborah Norville and Cathy Rigby.

THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

The number of seasonally adjusted initial claims for State Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits totaled 415,000 for the week ending April 4, a decrease of 18,000 from the previous week. The revised figure for the previous week was 433,000. Initial claims are now 56,000 below their comparable year-ago level.

II. Future Secretarial Activities

During the week of April 20, Secretary Martin will join with other Cabinet officials in meeting with former President Carter to discuss the Atlanta Project. The Secretary will also meet

with Raul Yzaguirre, President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Council of La Raza.

III. Intergovernmental Affairs Activities

Grants

Secretary Martin announced three grants this week to assist workers dislocated by base closings and other defense related industry slowdowns.

Arizona received \$2,000,000 for workers dislocated by the closure of Williams Air Force Base. Approximately 1,500 workers will be provided assessment, job search, classroom training, occupational skills training, on-the-job training, and support services. OCIA staff notified Governor Symington's office of the award.

Connecticut received \$400,000 from the Department of Labor to assist 160 workers dislocated from UNC Naval Products. OCIA staff notified Governor Weicker of the grant.

Utah received \$1,000,000 for dislocated workers from Hercules Incorporated, Bacchus Works and Strategic Materials operations and the closure of Rockwell International's manufacturing facility for electronic and transportation equipment. OCIA staff notified Governor Bangert of the award.

Missouri received \$750,000 to assist workers dislocated from the Zenith Corporation. The majority of those jobs will be moved to Renosa, Mexico, within a few months. This grant will provide job related services to laid off workers. OCIA staff notified Governor Ashcroft of the awards.

JOB TRAINING 2000

The Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs (OCIA) arranged briefings on Job Training 2000 and the Youth Apprenticeship Act of 1992 for Governors' offices, public interest groups and employment and training representatives. OCIA mailed information packets to Governors, Labor Commissioners, public interest groups and agency intergovernmental offices. OCIA is preparing a mailing to State legislative leaders as part of the President's initiative for complementary State legislation.

BRIEFINGS

OCIA staff provided briefing information for Secretary Martin's trips to New York, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, and Michigan, and prepared briefing notes for the President's trip to Detroit.

Michigan. OCIA also prepared briefing information for Deputy Secretary Spurlock's scheduled trip to Kansas City.

FIELD ACTIVITIES

Secretary's Representative Bill Lisano, Region I (Boston), attended the first Public Meeting on Voluntary, Industry-Based Skill Standards and Certification. Nineteen people from business, labor, the education community and the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Departments of Labor testified. All of the responses were positive. It was agreed that standards are needed in order to give schools appropriate apprenticeship and training programs and to give workers specified goals to attain.

Mr. Lisano met with Jamie Bush, Governor Weld's office, Sue Davenport, Regional Administrator for the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Secretary's Representative for the Department of Education to discuss "I Have a Dream" which Jamie Bush is heading. The program will assist and encourage residents to utilize existing resources in the community where available and to coordinate the introduction of resources from outside the geographic area when necessary.

Bill Lisano reported that according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), the Boston metropolitan area shed almost 94,000 jobs last year, the biggest loss recorded in the 20 years the government has been tracking the numbers. Every industry except health care lost jobs, and every demographic group ended in worse shape than last year. The biggest job losses: Services - 21,900; Manufacturing - 17,000; and Construction 11,400, the lowest level since 1978.

Mr. Lisano reported that Electric Boat handed 60-day layoff notices to 1,888 employees in four states. The layoffs were fewer than the 2200 the company had announced in February because some workers left on their own in the interim.

Secretary's Representative Walter Kirby, Region II (New York), attended the kickoff of New Jersey 2000 held at the War Memorial Building in Trenton, New Jersey. U.S. Secretary of Education Lamar Alexander and Governor Jim Florio were on hand for the celebration.

Mr. Kirby met with David Milne, the President and CEO of Gas Energy Incorporated (GEI). The company is starting construction of a \$250 million energy plant at JFK Airport. The discussion centered on minority participation in the workforce, Mr. Milne's agreement with the Port Authority, and the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs' role in the matter.

Mr. Kirby reported that Governor Mario Cuomo introduced legislation allowing workers with new children or sick family

members to take up to four months of unpaid leave from their jobs. Cuomo's reason for the proposal was increasing numbers of New York workers who must care for babies and seriously ill parents. The employee would keep his or her benefits while on unpaid leave and would return to the same position or one with the same wages and benefits.

Secretary's Representative Chuck Lewis, Region III (Philadelphia), participated in events with Secretary Martin. The Secretary did a live interview with KYWM, visited the TOP/WIN program, did a private interview with Maida Odom (The Philadelphia Inquirer), attended a Curt Weldon event, and spoke and presented awards at Region III Annual Awards Ceremony.

Secretary's Representative Rocky Romano, Region IV (Atlanta), attended the Employment and Training Administration's (ETA) Regional Conference in Asheville, North Carolina. There were 7 participants from the national office who gave presentations and held question and answer sessions. The meeting was held to update ETA matters with our eight state Employment Standards (ES) Directors, Unemployment Insurance (UI) Directors, and Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) liaisons.

Mr. Romano reported that Florida Secretary of Labor Scruggs spoke to him about Florida's new training investment program because the legislation has been approved and the program goes into effect July 1, 1992. The program deals with unemployment compensation and the dislocated worker.

Acting Secretary's Representative Rita Parkinson, Region V (Chicago), met with the Regional Executive Committee (REC) to discuss events surrounding the flood in Chicago.

Ms. Parkinson participated in events surrounding Secretary Martin's address to the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago, Illinois. Secretary Martin was introduced by Jack Kahn, President of the Museum of Science and Industry. The event attracted officials from the private sector, unions, and the Department of Labor.

Secretary's Representative Paul Story, Region VI (Dallas), reported Houston Lighting and Power Company laid off 1,000 workers and cut 100 unfilled positions affecting all levels in the company. The move was effective April 6. The workers received two months pay plus three weeks salary for each year of service, up to 52 weeks, if the employees were willing to sign a waiver indemnifying Houston Light and Power against wrongful-discharge suits. The company is also providing outplacement services for six months at no cost to the employee.

Secretary's Representative Elichue Brunson, Region VII (Kansas City), met with the Labor/Management Conference Committee

at the Lake of the Ozarks to complete planning for the conference July 5-9. The Department of Labor was successful in sponsoring five workshops at the conference: glass ceiling, dislocated workers, apprentice programs, American with Disabilities Act, and SCANS.

Secretary's Representative Joe Nunez, Region VIII (Denver), met with David VanHooser, Director, Golden Door Program, Coors Brewing Company. This program is an employment and training program for male and female ex-offenders.

Mr. Nunez and Karen Smith met with Marilyn Hershberger, Training and Employment Manager, Rocky Mountain News. The meeting covered Hershberger's program initiatives, such as Diversity 2000 and training efforts, and DOL initiatives, such as Workforce 2000, Apprenticeship 2000, Opportunity 2000, SCANS, Job Training 2000, America 2000, and the Youth Apprenticeship Program.

Secretary's Representative Sam Wallace, Region IX (San Francisco), participated in a meeting convened by Bruce Robinson, Navy Northern California Director for the "Personal Excellence Partnership Program." Topics discussed were America 2000, Jobs 2000, and the future of Workforce/LA and Workforce California, for the purpose of identifying ways to work cooperatively on the President's education and jobs agenda. Robinson stated that the Navy would like a component of what they are doing to become part of America 2000. A follow-up meeting is being scheduled.

cc: Frances C. McNaught,
Assistant Secretary for Congressional
and Intergovernmental Affairs
John Schall, Chief of Staff



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April 20, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: Bobbie Kilberg
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FROM: Abby Didrickson^{ad}
Deputy Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

SUBJECT: Intergovernmental Affairs Report
Two Weeks Ending April 20, 1992

RECENT EVENTS AND ISSUES:

On Sunday, April 19, Secretary Card appeared on CNN's Newsmaker along with Mayor Raymond Flynn of Boston, MA. The Secretary discussed the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) and the states ability to have flexibility in their use of transit and highway funds. He emphasized the Administration's position supporting privatization in the transportation field.

Federal Transit Administrator Brian Clymer announced that the agency intends to award \$808 million in 129 formula grants to 35 states and the District of Columbia to fund local public transit projects, aid transportation in rural areas and improve transit services for elderly passengers and those with disabilities.

The Department has authorized the states to exempt certain employees of farm-related service businesses from taking the knowledge and skills tests in order to obtain a limited commercial driver's license (CDL). Eligible drivers would be issued a license with restrictions that would substitute for the knowledge and skills tests required for an unrestricted CDL. This license would be valid only for seasonal operations and for no more than a total of 180 days within any 12-month period, and only within 150 miles from the place of business or farm being served. Drivers could not use the restricted license to operate large tractor-trailers weighing over 26,000 pounds. They would also be limited in their ability to carry hazardous materials. The states, at their option, may issue these restricted CDLs.

The U.S. Department of Transportation approved the transfer of the Detroit-London route formerly served by Pan American World Airways to Delta Air Lines subject to certain conditions. Delta's authority will be terminated if the courts issue a final judgment, not subject to further appeal, deciding that Pan American's contract to transfer the route to Delta is no longer enforceable.

Secretary Card addressed the National Conference of Lieutenant Governors at a White House briefing held in the Roosevelt Room. He made his presentation after the President's remarks. Discussed was ISTEA and the expanded roles of states and municipal planning organizations. He encouraged the lieutenant governors to carry the message back to their respective states that governors can play a stronger role in their state's transportation decisions through the use of flexible funds and electing to use the matching funds waiver.

Secretary Card addressed the State Legislative Leadership Foundation at the White House. He discussed the ISTEA, and gave a similar message to those in attendance as he did to the Lt. Governors.



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
WASHINGTON

April 17, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: Bobbie Kilberg
Deputy Assistant to the President and
Director, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

FROM: Sarah M. Hildebrand *SMH*
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Liaison

SUBJECT: Intergovernmental Affairs Report
Week of April 13 - 17, 1992

Meeting With IRS Requested by Governor Branstad's DC Office

Phil Smith, Director of Governor Branstad's DC Office, requested assistance in setting up a meeting with the IRS to discuss the treatment of estate taxes for the descendants of lottery prize winners. On April 16 an informational meeting was held in the Office of Pass Throughs and Special Industries. Participating were the Deputy Assistant Chief Counsel, several other IRS lawyers, Phil Smith, Bill Bergman, Executive Director of the North American Association of State and Provinces Lotteries (NASPL) and Kate Beach.

Some 30 states now use lotteries as revenue raisers. NASPL and states are concerned that lottery sales not decrease. Bergman raised two issues: differing treatment of the estate tax issue in IRS districts; and, the application of annuity rules causing, in effect, hardship to the winner/estate.

The Service agreed to provide a letter to Smith and Bergman explaining how lottery winnings are treated for estate tax purposes and which will include information to state lottery directors which they can in turn share with lottery winners (for example the availability of Form 6161 which can be used in hardship cases).

Cash Management Improvement Act Update

Several states have contacted Treasury requesting an extension of the deadline for implementing the Cash Management Improvement Act of 1990 (CMIA). The Act, which was sponsored by Representative John Conyers (D-MI), requires states to pay interest on federal funds that sit unused in state accounts. Under CMIA, each state has until October 1992 to enter into an agreement with Treasury establishing procedures to implement the law.

During seven regional meetings with state financial officers, officials from the Financial Management Service (a Treasury bureau) discussed implementing CMIA. In those meetings, some states claimed the October deadline is too soon, because current procedures are too complex to change before October. Other states are concerned that changes in accounting procedures will require action by state legislatures adjourning too early to take action on the issue this year.

A pending regulation now open for comment (until May 7) may be helpful to states seeking an extension. The proposed rule would push the deadline for establishing accounting procedures back to June 1993; until that time, states would enter into an "interim agreement" with Treasury and pay interest based on reasonable estimates.



DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS
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TO: The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs
FROM: Department of Veterans Affairs' Office of Intergovernmental Affairs
SUBJ: Highlights for Week Ending April 17, 1992

STATE RURAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL NATIONAL CONFERENCE: DAS Wilmer D. Mizell attended the State Rural Development Council National Conference held April 14-15, in Washington, DC. This was an open, public conference on the State Rural Development Councils (SRDC) to inform interested participants on SRDC goals, to share information concerning SRDC strategies and outcomes, and to broaden the perspective of interested parties and participants. Opening remarks were made by Edward Madigan, Secretary of Agriculture. The DAS for Intergovernmental Affairs represents the VA on the Monday Management Group which is the interagency group responsible for coordinating the President's initiatives in each department and agency.


Wilmer D. Mizell



Federal Emergency Management Agency

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April 20, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: Bobbie Kilberg
Deputy Assistant to the President,
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

THROUGH: Thomas F. Kranz *Thomas F. Kranz*
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FROM: Dirk Vande Beek
Assistant Associate Director
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

SUBJECT: White House Intergovernmental Report

On April 15, President Bush declared a major disaster exists in Illinois due to severe underground floods that struck downtown Chicago. The President's actions came shortly after FEMA reported that the city's densely populated business district was significantly crippled by flood waters from the Chicago River which surged through a breach in a network of tunnels beneath the area's streets. Immediately following the President's action, Director Stickney designated the city of Chicago eligible for Individual and Public Assistance. In addition, by request of Chief of Staff Skinner, Director Stickney travelled to Chicago and met with Mayor Richard Daley and spoke with Governor Edgar on several occasions to assure them that the Bush Administration will help those victimized by the disaster. While in Chicago, Director Stickney toured the disaster which received nationwide media coverage. On Saturday April 18, the FEMA-State Agreement was signed by Region V Director Arlyn F. Brower and Governor Edgar.

On April 14-15, Region II Director Stephen Kempf Jr. participated in an Interagency Steering Committee meeting to discuss coordination of the Federal Response Plan.

On April 13, Tom Panuzio met with the U.S. Conference of Mayors to discuss the possibility of Director Stickney speaking at their annual meeting in June.

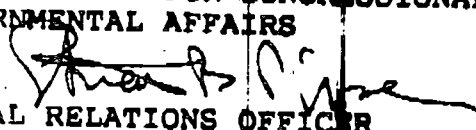


General Services Administration
Office of Congressional and
Intergovernmental Affairs
Washington, DC 20405

April 20, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR BOBBIE KILBERG
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR
OF THE OFFICE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

THRU: LONNIE P. TAYLOR
ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRATOR FOR CONGRESSIONAL
AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

FROM: STUART B. PIPER 
INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS OFFICER

SUBJECT: Items for the White House Intergovernmental Report
for the week of April 13-17, 1992

Cleveland Federal Building/U.S. Courthouse

A contract was awarded for Architect/Engineer services for a new annex to the Cleveland Federal Building/U.S. Courthouse in Concord, NH. The contract is valued at \$2,819,768, inclusive of options, and the contractor has 56 weeks to complete the design.

Rural Business Conference

GSA participated in Focus 92, a Rural Business Conference sponsored by the Small Business Administration at Glenville State College, Glenville, WV. The conference, an outreach effort to small businesses in a large labor surplus area, was attended by over 200 firms and individuals. U.S. Congressman Alan Mollohan and Robert Wise, Jr., attended along with representatives from the offices of Senators Robert Byrd and John Rockefeller. Governor W. Gaston Caperton also participated and provided formal remarks to the conference attendees.

Coastal Georgia Business Opportunity Fair

GSA participated in the Coastal Georgia Business Opportunity Fair in Brunswick, GA. Approximately 350 persons attended workshops conducted by Fort Stewart, Kings Bay Naval Supply Center, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, and other Government facilities, on how to do business with the Federal Government.

Federal Bureau of Investigation Office Lease Award

A 15-year lease, with a total contract price of \$14,300,000, was awarded for 61,347 square feet of space for the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in Salt Lake City, UT. The FBI office, located in the 257 Tower Building, will house increased FBI staff supporting the nuclear reduction treaties.





OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
Washington, D.C. 20500

April 20, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR DEBRA R. ANDERSON
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
AND DIRECTOR OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

THROUGH: KAY COLES JAMES *LD* *Sec*
ACTING ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR STATE AND LOCAL AFFAIRS

FROM: JOHN E. LITTEL *JEL*
SPECIAL ASSISTANT FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: Intergovernmental Affairs Weekly Report

I. HEADS UP

Governor Martinez will be visiting sites in Indiana, Missouri, Ohio, Michigan, and Illinois this week.

Governor Martinez will address the 15th Annual PRIDE World Drug Conference sponsored by the National Parents Resource Institute for Drug Education in Houston, Texas and running from April 30 to May 2, 1992. The conference will be preceded by an international exchange program on April 27-29.

II. STATUS OF ISSUES/INTERESTS

The House Select Narcotics Committee will hold a hearing on the oversight of HIDTA's on May 6. Governor Martinez has been invited to testify. The Committee will also hold a hearing on drug problems from a local perspective, though a date for that hearing has yet to be announced.

Digger Phelps will be the keynote speaker at the Institute for a Drug-Free Workplace's annual meeting on May 7. The Office of Demand Reduction and Executive Section are preparing talking points.

III. SIGNIFICANT CONTACTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CONSTITUENT GROUP</u>	<u>AGENCY OFFICIAL</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
4/14	SOUTHCOM Briefings	Martinez	Panama
4/16	Comm. on Measured Responses	J. Gregrich	Washington
4/20	Amb. Busby	Martinez	Washington

IV. UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CONSTITUENT GROUP</u>	<u>AGENCY OFFICIAL</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
4/23-24	Governor Mickelson of South Dakota	J. Lancaster (OSR)	Pierre, S.D.
4/27-29	Project Northstar Joint Coordination Group	G. Crosby	Seattle, WA
5/3-5	ONDCP Southern Regional Conference		New Orleans



April 13, 1992

Memorandum For: Bobbie Kilberg
Deputy Assistant to the President
and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

From: Virginia Lamp Thomas
Deputy Assistant Secretary for
Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs

Subject: Weekly Report: April 6 - April 10, 1992

I. Current Secretarial Activities

SCANS ANNOUNCEMENT

On April 7, Secretary Martin and the Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills (SCANS) issued the final report, "Learning a Living: A Blueprint for High Performance." The report calls for the reorganization of education and work to close the skills gap and prepare the workforce for the future. SCANS represents a two-year effort by a 31-member commission including representatives of education, business, labor and state government. The Commission is chaired by former Secretary of Labor William E. Brock. At the same time, Secretary Martin released a video called "Second to None" and a "SCANS Report Card," describing nearly 40 of the many SCANS-related programs underway throughout the country.

AMERICAN BUSINESS CONFERENCE ROUNDTABLE

Secretary Martin spoke at a luncheon roundtable session of the American Business Conference on the Labor Department's school-to-work programs, job training and retraining programs and the Glass Ceiling Initiative.

MEETING WITH THE U.K. AMBASSADOR

Secretary Martin met with Sir Robin Renwick, Ambassador to the United States from the United Kingdom. The Secretary and the Ambassador discussed assistance to Central and Eastern Europe; the social dimensions of the European Community 1992, which is a series of proposals to harmonize labor market, health and safety, social security and industrial relations in the European Community; and the close working relationship of the United States and Britain on International Labor Organization (ILO) matters.

TEXAS "PATRIOTS" ROUNDTABLE

Secretary Martin met with 25 members of the Texas Patriots Club, a group of active Texas Republicans, who also met with the President and Cabinet officers.

WORK-BASED LEARNING COMMISSION

On April 7, the National Advisory Commission on Work-Based Learning met in Washington, D.C. Chaired by Jack MacAllister, Chairman of US WEST, Inc., the Commission is composed of representatives of business, education, labor and community-based organizations. The Commission was established to provide advice on a continuing basis to the Secretary of Labor on ways to increase the skill levels of the American workforce and expand access to training in order to improve American competitiveness. Deputy Secretary of Labor Delbert Spurlock and Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training Roberts Jones addressed the panel.

NEW DEPUTY SOLICITOR OF LABOR

Labor Secretary Martin announced the appointment of Burton J. Fishman as Deputy Solicitor of Labor for National Operations. A specialist in employment-related issues, Fishman will report directly to Marshall Breger, Solicitor of Labor.

CHICAGO TRIP

On April 9, Secretary Martin traveled to Chicago where she spoke to fifty Lincoln Park High School students who are members of Junior Achievement. Secretary Martin attended a Chicago Museum of Science and Industry "farewell reception" for the statues commissioned for the 1933-34 Century of Progress International Exposition. The large wooden figures of automobile workers will be shipped to Washington, D.C., to be displayed at the Labor Department. Secretary Martin also spoke to BMW Chairman Eberhard Von Kuenheim and BMW North American President Karl Gerlinger about the possibility of another BMW assembly plant in the U.S.

THE EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

The number of seasonally adjusted initial claims for state unemployment insurance (UI) benefits totaled 432,000 for the week ending March 28, a decrease of 24,000 from the previous week. The revised figure for the previous week remained unchanged at 456,000.

On April 8, Secretary Martin, at the direction of the President, sent letters to the leaders of Congress asking them to work with her in a fiscally responsible fashion to develop and

pass legislation extending the emergency unemployment compensation program through the end of 1992.

II. Future Secretarial Activities

During the week of April 13, Secretary Martin will visit Kentucky for a SCANS announcement; Philadelphia for a regional office visit; and New York, where she will address the Society of Human Resource Managers, receive the "Mother of the Year" award and speak to the Financial Executive Institute.

III. Intergovernmental Affairs Activities

Grants

Secretary Martin announced \$18.2 million in grants to 12 states this week to assist in automating unemployment insurance systems and procedures. States were selected on the basis of criteria such as the amount of administrative savings, the degree of provision for state payback of funds, capacity for improving system performance, technical merit and strategic design.

Grant winners were selected from 33 states submitting 69 proposals at the invitation of the Department of Labor. OCIA staff notified the Governors of the awards.

The 12 grant awards are:

<u>State</u>	<u>Grant</u>	<u>Governor Notified</u>
Alaska	\$1,117,374	Governor Hickel
Arizona	966,976	Governor Symington
Arkansas	5,443,550	Governor Clinton
Florida	448,839	Governor Chiles
Illinois	1,812,051	Governor Edgar
Maryland	212,400	Governor Schaefer
Nebraska	2,307,510	Governor Nelson
North Carolina	1,872,969	Governor Martin
Ohio	2,454,785	Governor Voinovich
Puerto Rico	932,085	Governor Hernandez-Colon
Utah	461,220	Governor Bangertter
West Virginia	170,241	Governor Caperton

Secretary Martin announced Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) grants to three states this week to assist workers laid off due to increased imports of foreign products.

Missouri received \$2,400,000 for laid off workers throughout the State including those from Leisure Wear in Frankfort and Vandalia, Brown Shoe Company in five locations, and Jay-Zee Corporation in Branson and Monett. OCIA staff notified Governor Ashcroft of the award.

West Virginia received \$460,000 to assist laid off workers throughout the State, including Maidenform, Inc., in Princeton, Potomac Sportswear in Martinsburg, and Dowell-Schlumberger, Inc., in Weirton. OCIA staff notified Governor Caperton of the award.

Wisconsin received \$1,150,000 to assist laid off workers from Uniroyal in Eau Claire and workers throughout the State. OCIA staff notified Governor Thompson of the award.

SCANS ANNOUNCEMENT

OCIA staff assisted in the coordination of the SCANS announcement on April 7 by inviting Members of Congress, Governors' offices, representatives of public interest groups and union leaders to attend the briefing. OCIA mailed information packets on SCANS to Cabinet Members, Administration officials, intergovernmental liaisons, Governors, Members of Congress, Labor Commissioners and public interest groups.

LT. GOVERNORS MEETING

OCIA staff attended the Lt. Governors meeting in Washington, D.C., and provided information on DOL programs.

WORK-BASED LEARNING COMMISSION

OCIA staff attended the meeting of the Work-Based Learning Commission.

SECRETARY'S UNEMPLOYMENT EXTENSION ANNOUNCEMENT

OCIA staff provided information to Governors' offices and public interest groups on the Secretary's announcement that the Administration will work with Congress on extending unemployment benefits.

BRIEFINGS

OCIA staff provided briefing information for Secretary Martin's trips to New York, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, and Michigan, and prepared briefing notes for the President's trip to Detroit, Michigan. OCIA also prepared briefing information for Deputy Secretary Spurlock's scheduled trip to Kansas City.

FIELD ACTIVITIES

Secretary's Representative Bill Lisano, Region I (Boston), met with Local 25 Teamster officials to discuss the Caterpillar strike and its affect on S. 55, the Striker Replacement Bill. The Teamsters' main argument focused on the lack of good faith bargaining by some employers. The group also discussed problems with the worker compensation program.

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Mr. Lisano reported that the New Hampshire State Senate is considering a House Bill that would require employers to specify in their employment advertisements when they are striker replacement workers. It has been argued that these ads often lure other workers from outside areas that might not have answered the ad if they knew a strike were going on.

Secretary's Representative Walter Kirby, Region II (New York), met with Vivian Manning Fox, Executive Director of the New York City Private Industry Council, to discuss an upcoming meeting with Laurie Beckelman, Commissioner of Landmarks for the City of New York. Ms. Beckelman is interested in developing a program to train at-risk youths in graffiti removal and restoration of landmark buildings while including a literacy component.

Secretary's Representative Chuck Lewis, Region III (Philadelphia), has been in Peoria, Illinois, monitoring the Caterpillar strike and ascertaining its affect on S. 55, the Striker Replacement Bill.

Secretary's Representative Rocky Romano, Region IV (Atlanta), met with South Carolina Labor Commissioner Virgil Duffie and Tennessee Labor Commissioner James White, to discuss plans for a regional conference of the U.S. Department of Labor/National Association of Governmental Labor Officials (NAGLO) and other labor issues of concern.

Acting Secretary's Representative Rita Parkinson, Region V (Chicago), met with Joe Juarez, Regional Administrator, ETA, and Abbas Hassain, Executive Director of Reduce Recidivism by Industrial Development (RRID), to discuss various employment and training programs.

Secretary's Representative Paul Story, Region VI (Dallas), met with officials of the Heavy Highway Construction Industry and officials of the Occupational Safety and Training Institute to discuss the coordination of training of displaced workers in the Dallas/Fort Worth area with local JTPA Service Delivery Areas.

Mr. Story reported that an explosion at the Seminole Pipeline Company killed a 6 year old boy and injured 18 others. The explosion from the pipeline facility, located six miles southwest of Brenham, Texas, registered 4.5 on the earthquake Richter Scale and was felt as far away as Galveston, Texas. Five homes were destroyed; 50 other were damaged. The cause of the explosion is not yet known but is being investigated.

Mr. Story reported that Fort Worth and San Antonio, Texas, have been designated by the Department of Justice as 1992 demonstration sites for the "Operation Weed and Seed." The U.S. Attorney's Office has said that both cities will receive an equal

amount of the \$550,000 grant for weeding activities through the rest of the calendar year.

Secretary's Representative Elichue Brunson, Region VII (Kansas City), participated in the Heartland Conference in Kansas City, Missouri. The conference's focus was to discuss employment and training programs to prepare our workforce for the future.

Secretary's Representative Joe Nunez, Region VIII (Denver), met with Antonio Valdez, District Director, Small Business Administration, to discuss training programs and health care issues.

Mr. Nunez and Assistant Secretary's Representative Kim Stuart met with Shelli Bischoff, Executive Director of Red Rocks Institute at Red Rocks Community College. The discussion focused on various Institute initiatives relative to the Department of Labor's SCANS initiative and Job Training 2000.

Mr. Nunez and Kim Stuart visited the Denver Urban Ministries Epworth Employment Program (DEEP) and met with Sharon McCormick, Executive Director of the Denver Urban Ministries. Ms. McCormick and staff provided details regarding the DEEP program which assists single parent women prepare for employment.

Secretary's Representative Sam Wallace, Region IX (San Francisco), met with officials of Oakland Airport to discuss their development of a training program for youth who are interested in careers in aerospace and shipping. The group wants to help disadvantaged youth enter the industry and are interested in using Defense Conversions Act (DCA) monies for the program.

Mr. Wallace attended the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce's Employment and Jobs Subcommittee meeting in Los Angeles, California. Agenda items included reviews of current OSHA regulations and California Environmental Quality Agency initiatives.

cc: Frances C. McNaught,
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and Intergovernmental Affairs
John Schall, Chief of Staff



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
WASHINGTON

April 10, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: Bobbie Kilberg
Deputy Assistant to the President and
Director, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

FROM: Sarah M. Hildebrand *SMH*
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Liaison

SUBJECT: Intergovernmental Affairs Report
Week of April 6 - 10, 1992

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Treasury made the points that authority to effect these regulatory changes has existed in legislation for a number of years and that the changes apply only to federal thrifts, not the broader range of institutions that have concerned states about other interstate branching proposals. Our position is that these changes will increase the supply of credit for housing loans and other purposes benefiting the housing industry in a number of ways without affecting states' authority over thrifts.

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Prepared by: Kate Todd Beach, Director
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Federal Emergency Management Agency

Washington, D.C. 20472

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Debra R. Anderson
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THROUGH: *for* Thomas F. Kranz *David A. Gole*
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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April 13, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE DEBRA ANDERSON, DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO
THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

THROUGH: Cameron D. Bruemmer *CDB*
Deputy Director of Public Affairs

FROM: Gwendolyn T. Bronson, Director *AYB*
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

SUBJECT: Intergovernmental Affairs Report
Week ending April 10, 1992

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

On Tuesday, Gwen Bronson attended a briefing at the Department of Labor on the final report of the SCANS (Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills) initiative. SCANS is an educational program, designed to achieve high skills for high wages.

Jim Pace, Director of American Indian and Alaskan Native programs, participated in a meeting with Secretary of Agriculture Edward Madigan and President Peterson Zah, President of the Navajo Nation. Several issues of concern regarding the delivery of the Department's services on the reservation were discussed. Secretary Madigan also favors a new or updated Agreement in Principle between the U.S. Department of Interior and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Deputy Under Secretary Walter Hill spoke to the annual meeting of the Lieutenant Governors' Association in Washington, D.C. on the President's Rural America Initiative and the need to build a partnership between federal and state governments in order that both can better serve the growth and development of rural areas in our country. Rural development councils, a federal and state partnership program, have been implemented in eight (8) states with an additional thirty six (36) state councils to be established by the end of FY '93.

Assistant Secretary for Marketing and Inspection Services Jo Ann Smith was keynote speaker at the annual meeting of the Society of American Florists April 6, in Crystal City. Smith summarized the history of research and promotion programs, explained the legislative process and viability of these programs, and described successful research or advertising activities that have been initiated by various industries through their research and promotion boards. Ms. Smith also stressed the need for an industry to educate its constituents if it expected to garner

their support, and to bring producers, wholesalers and importers into the process at the earliest point.

U.S. TO DONATE AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES TO WORLD FOOD PROGRAM

April 7, Secretary of Agriculture Edward Madigan announced the United States has pledged \$80 million of U.S. agricultural commodities to the World Food Program (WFP), an agency of the United Nations. "This donation reaffirms the United States' commitment to relieve hunger and malnutrition in the world's poorest countries," said Madigan. "The nearly 190,000 tons of U.S. commodities will help the WFP respond to increasing emergency food needs worldwide, especially the refugees in Africa and Asia and those affected by the drought in southern Africa." The U.S. Department of Agriculture will provide approximately 140,000 metric tons of corn, 40,000 tons of sorghum and 10,000 tons of butteroil. The U.S. donation will consist of commodities and transportation costs, including internal transport, storage and handling. The supply period is fiscal year 1992.

USDA RESEARCHERS CONCENTRATING ON ALTERNATIVE FUELS RESEARCH

U.S. Department of Agriculture scientists are breathing new life into alternative fuels research at Peoria, Illinois, the home of earlier studies on making fuel from farm crops and vegetable oils. "We are pursuing research objectives that hold promise for creating new uses and expanding markets for agricultural commodities," said Richard L. Dunkle, director of the National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research (NCAUR). The center is operated by USDA's Agricultural Research Service in Peoria. Dunkle said the research is funded by a \$1.25 million appropriation approved by Congress last October. Funds will be distributed among three research areas in which scientists from various disciplines such as chemistry and microbiology will work together.

MADIGAN NAMES RICHARD LYNG TO HEAD MISSION TO FORMER SOVIET UNION

Secretary of Agriculture Edward Madigan has named former Secretary Richard E. Lyng leader of a mission to the former Soviet Union to select agriculturally related industries where U.S. executives will be loaned as problem-solving consultants. The mission is tentatively scheduled to travel to three newly independent states April 20-May 3. The loaned executive program is part of a technical assistance package for the former Soviet Union announced by President Bush in November. "This program is a unique effort to help the former Soviet Union improve the efficiency and effectiveness of its agricultural-related industries," Madigan said. "Former Secretary Lyng and other team members have years of experience with U.S. agriculture and agribusiness that will benefit the project immeasurably."



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

April 10, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR DEBRA ANDERSON
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND
DIRECTOR OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: DoD Weekly Report of Intergovernmental Affairs

I. PAST AND UPCOMING WEEK

On March 16, an Office of Economic Adjustment team met with Scottish officials at Holy Loch, Scotland, to convey U.S. Economic adjustment techniques and experience applicable to the Holy Loch nuclear sub base closure. A well organized process is underway to create replacement jobs for those lost by the Navy withdrawal. The team's review and comments reinforced and lent credibility to the local action plan.

On March 16-19, Office of Economic Adjustment staff attended the DoD Eastern Region Installation Commander's Conference at Destin, Florida. Attendees included DoD officials and approximately 200 Base Commanders. Highlights of the Conference included Joint Interservice Regional Support Groups, environmental, child development, Defense Business Operations Fund, and base closure workshops.

On March 27, an Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) representative participated as the keynote speaker in a conference of counties dependent on Department of Energy (DoE) production facilities. OEA explained the Defense Economic Adjustment Program and its application to the DOE-related community near DoE's Haford site in Washington State.

On March 30, Raytheon Co., Missile Systems Division, West Andover, Massachusetts, was awarded a \$90,236,523 fixed price Army letter contract for the HAWK Phase III Product Improvement Program. Work will be performed in Massachusetts.

On March 30, the Army awarded Marinette Manne Corporation, Marinette, Wisconsin, an \$8,068,235 civil works, non-military contract. The firm fixed-price contract is for constructing, testing, and delivering a discharge pipeline system for Dustpan Dredge Hurley. Work will be performed in Wisconsin.

On March 30, a civil works, non-military Army \$57,898,794 contract was awarded to OHM Remediation Services Corp., Princeton, New Jersey. The firm fixed-price contract is for on-site soil incineration remedial activity for Baird McGuire superfund site. Work will be performed in Massachusetts.

On March 31, Carothers Construction, Inc., Water Valley, Mississippi, was awarded an Army \$20,283,998 firm fixed-price contract. The contract is for construction of a customer service building, a consolidated shop facility, a wash and scheduled maintenance facility, a paint and sandblasting facility, an access road and tank trail, a diesel and gasoline fuel station, and tank capable hardstand and site improvements. Work will be performed in Texas.

On April 2, Aerojet General Corp., Azusa, California was awarded a \$321,609,577 modification to a cost plus incentive fee contract for Sense and Destroy Armor (SADARM). Work will be performed in California.

On April 2, PRC Incorporated, McLean, Virginia, was awarded a \$22,478,113 cost plus award-fee contract for the computer software interface effort at Strategic Air Command (SAC) Headquarters, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska. The work will be performed at Bellevue, Nebraska and is expected to be completed in September 1996.

On April 2, General Electric Company, Cincinnati, Ohio was awarded a \$7,673,812 firm fixed-price contract for forty-six (46) low pressure turbine (LPT) nozzles applicable to the F101-GE-102 engine for the B1B aircraft. Work is expected to be completed in May 1995.

On April 3, Grumman Aerospace Corporation, Melbourne, Florida, was awarded a \$26,500,000 (not-to-exceed) face value increase to a fixed-price-incentive-firm contract for Joint Surveillance and Target Attack Radar System (Joint STARS) radar sensor producibility enhancements, Phase II, consisting of the development of the radar sensor reference oscillator, the redesign and testing of the radar master oscillator, the redesign of the radar sensor printed wiring assemblies, implementation of radar sensor line replaceable

units, design improvements for producibility, and development of the production source for the programmable signal processor custom very large scale integration devices. The work will be performed at Norwalk, Connecticut and is expected to be completed in August 1994.

On April 15, the Secretary of the Army, Honorable Michael P. W. Stone, will address the Marshall ROTC Awards Seminar at the Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, Virginia.

On April 15, Secretary of the Navy, Honorable H. Lawrence Garrett, III will address the Navy League Sea-Air-Space Exposition Banquet in Washington, DC.

On April 21-24, the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research, Development and Acquisition), Honorable Stephen K. Conner, will be addressing the Atlanta XVIII Conference, the Ohio Central State University, and the York, PA Paladin Rollout.

On May 12, the Secretary of the Air Force, Honorable Donald B. Rice, will address the Houston World Affairs Council in Houston, TX. Topic to be determined.

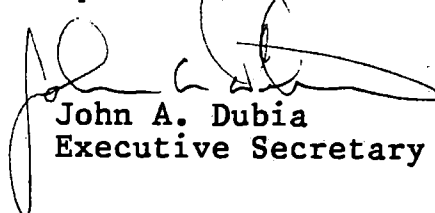
A civil works, non-military Army contract was awarded to Gates Construction Corp., Little Ferry, New Jersey. The \$3,900,000 increment is part of a \$12,670,000 firm fixed price construction contract for Shinnecock Inlet Navigation Project Jetty Repair and Maintenance Dredging. Work will be performed in New York.

Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration, has approved the first Department of Defense Community Assistance Grant for \$145,000 to the State of New York to assist communities that are affected by reduction in defense spending.

Nine Arizona Army National Guard soldiers conducted an aerial search and rescue for a sixteen year old hiker, and transported search dogs and conducted an aerial search for a downed small aircraft.

Two North Carolina Army National Guard soldiers are supplying potable water to a state building with a contaminated water system.

Two Puerto Rico Army National Guard soldiers remain on active duty to perform administrative duties augmenting FEMA's efforts to help flood victims.



John A. Dubia
Executive Secretary



Department of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

April 13, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE HONORABLE SHERRIE ROLLINS
Assistant to the President
for Intergovernmental Affairs
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The White House

THROUGH: Gregg Ward
Assistant Secretary
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FROM: Deborah L. Louison *DLouison*
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SUBJECT: DOE Intergovernmental and Public Liaison
Report

PREVIOUS WEEK'S INTERGOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Secretary Watkins Meets with Ohio Lt. Governor

On April 8, Secretary Watkins met with Ohio Lieutenant Governor DeWine to discuss the Environmental Assessment of the nonnuclear facilities in the DOE's weapon complex. During the meeting, the Secretary stressed that the Department remains committed to making certain that the nonnuclear consolidation process is open to comment by local citizens who have contributed to the national defense. The State of Ohio, other affected States, and the general public will have the opportunity to review and submit comments concerning the Environmental Assessment before any decision is made on whether to proceed with the consolidation. At the request of Mr. DeWine, the Secretary provided him with data which was submitted to the Department by the operating contractors at the six nonnuclear facilities. This raw material will also be provided to House and Senate authorizing and appropriating committees, Members of Congress and Governors who represent areas affected by consolidation.

Acting Deputy Secretary Stuntz Meets with President of the Navajo Nation

On April 6, Acting Deputy Secretary Stuntz met with Peterson Zah, President of the Navajo Nation, to begin a dialogue requested by President Zah on technical and financial support for the development of Navajo energy resources, the Navajo Transmission Project and support for Indian legislative initiatives.

Council of Energy Resource Tribes' Dialogue on MRS Issues

On April 6-8, the Council of Energy Resource Tribes and the Mescalero Apache Tribe held a dialogue in Colorado Springs, Colorado, to explore the Indian cultural, religious, ethical, and moral underpinnings of nuclear energy and radioactive waste management disposal. Department representatives from Intergovernmental Affairs, Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Environment, Safety and Health, and Environmental Restoration and Waste Management attended to answer any questions about their respective programs.

Meeting of the NGA Staff Advisory Committee (SAC) of the Energy and Environment Committee

On April 7-8, the NGA Staff Advisory Committee of the Energy and Environment Committee met in Washington, D.C. The SAC agreed to assist DOE in its NES implementation initiative through promotional efforts, identifying appropriate forums, and to help to generate State success stories. The NGA will also propose to the Department of Transportation a national transportation conference that will include many NES components. Also, the NGA is considering a major reorganization that would reduce its current seven committees down to three, with the Energy and Environment Committee combined with the Agriculture Committee into a new Natural Resources Committee.

Western Governors' Association Waste Task Force Meeting

On April 8, the Western Governors' Association Waste Task Force met in Denver, Colorado, with Federal officials from the Nuclear Waste Negotiator's Office, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and the Department's Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management to discuss issues related to the Monitored Retrievable Storage facility grant process.

DOE Officials Meet with NCSL Staff to discuss High Technology Issues

On April 8, Intergovernmental and Fossil Energy staff met with staff of the National Conference of State Legislatures to discuss what that organization could do to assist the Department in eliminating institutional barriers that inhibit new high technology electric power sources at the State level. Future meetings will be expanded to include other DOE Offices (Nuclear Energy, Conservation and Renewable Energy, and Domestic and International Policy) with an interest in this subject.

West Virginia Governor Participates in Alternative Fuels Ceremony

On April 10, West Virginia Governor Caperton and DOE officials participated in a ceremony in Charleston as two natural gas powered school buses arrived from the AMTRAM Corporation factory in Conway, Arkansas, for delivery to the Wood County School District. The buses are part of a three-way partnership between DOE, the State, and Eastern American Energy Corporation. A total of 8 buses constitute the project; four are already in service, and two more will be delivered by May 1. Assistant Secretary for Conservation and Renewable Energy Davis called the project another step forward in implementing President Bush's National Energy Strategy, and stated that the Department will continue to work with State energy officials, local municipalities, school boards and utilities across the Nation to encourage and assist in fleet conversions to alternative fuels.

Council of State Governments Environmental Task Force Meeting

On April 9-11, the Council of State Governments Environmental Task Force met in Key Largo, Florida. Intergovernmental Affairs staff attended and participated in a roundtable discussion on State and local government implementation of the National Energy Strategy.

Texas Officials Briefed at Pantex Plant

On April 10, at the request of Governor Richards, a briefing was held at the Department's Pantex Plant in Amarillo for State officials to discuss the proposed dismantlement program and its implications for storing weapon components at the plant. Two additional briefings are planned: one for city and county officials and one for private citizen groups.

States Adopt Energy Conservation Related Legislation

Recently, the State of New Mexico enacted alternative fuel conservation legislation that mandates State government alternative fuel vehicle conversions for at least 30% of new State vehicles beginning in mid-1993. Illinois Governor Edgar has signed into law legislation to increase the use of ethanol in the State by extending through July 1, 1999 a tax break.

Idaho Legislation Establishes New Air Permit Requirements for DOE Nuclear Activities at INEL

As part of the State's efforts to block Fort St. Vrain spent fuel shipments into Idaho, Governor Andrus has had the legislature pass a bill that establishes new air permit requirements for DOE nuclear activities at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory (INEL). The bill, which amends the Idaho Environmental Protection and Health Act, was introduced in the State legislature after the U.S. Court of Appeals ruled against the State on March 23, declaring that continued shipment and storage of spent fuel from Fort. St. Vrain did not require DOE to obtain a new air permit from the State.

CURRENT WEEK AND FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Meeting with Texas State Senator on Pantex Plant Issues

On April 14, Acting Deputy Secretary Stuntz and Acting Under Secretary Hendrickson will meet with Texas State Senator Madden to discuss issues concerning the Department's Pantex Plant in Amarillo, Texas.

Emergency Planning State Seminar

On April 15-16, Office of Emergency Planning and Operations Director Bickford will be the keynote speaker at the first of a four-part emergency planning State seminar series in Nashville, Tennessee.

PREVIOUS WEEK'S PUBLIC LIAISON ACTIVITIES

Energy Department's Government Affairs Roundtable Meets

On April 8, Assistant Secretary Ward convened a meeting of DOE's Government Affairs Roundtable to discuss House action on the Department's legislative initiatives. The Government Affairs Roundtable is made up of chief government affairs representatives of a broad range of energy trade associations and related interest groups.

Other Liaison Activities

On April 4-7, DOE representatives addressed the National Propane Gas Association annual conference in Atlanta, Georgia.

On April 7, Acting Deputy Secretary Linda Stuntz addressed the General Public Utilities' 7th annual Washington, D.C. seminar.

On April 8, Acting Deputy Secretary Stuntz attended the National Technology Initiative Seminar in Research Triangle, North Carolina. The seminar focused on biotechnology and environmental technology.

On April 8, Deputy Assistant Secretary Robert San Martin addressed the Spring Workshop on Least Cost Planning sponsored by Washington Gas.

On April 9, Admiral Watkins met with the National Petroleum Council in Washington, DC.

On April 10, Acting Deputy Secretary Stuntz addressed the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America in Aventura, Florida.

Liaison Activities in Support of the National Energy Strategy

On April 5, Assistant Secretary Ward addressed the National Ocean Industries Association's Washington Conference on energy legislation that reflects the President's National Energy Strategy.

Department officials met last week with representatives of the following organizations to help promote the passage of legislation that reflects the National Energy Strategy:

- Independent Power Producers Working Group
- Natural Gas Washington Representatives
- Electric Generation Association
- Citizens for a Sound Economy
- Gas Research Institute
- Petroleum Marketers Association of America
- Exxon Corp.
- Warren Petroleum Co.
- Commonwealth Petroleum Co.
- Martin Gas Co.
- Shell Oil Co.

CURRENT WEEK AND FUTURE ACTIVITIES

On April 13, Admiral Watkins will address the National Association of Fleet Administrators' Annual Conference in Toronto, Canada.

Other Liaison Activities

We continue to arrange meetings with leading representatives of the oil, natural gas, coal, electric, nuclear and renewable energy industries, and with business, consumer, transportation, labor and farm organizations, to discuss the Department's various initiatives and to build grassroots support for comprehensive energy legislation. The following organizations will be visited next week:

- American Petroleum Institute
- Independent Petroleum Association of America
- Gas Research Institute
- R&D Industry Associations

Attached is a copy of the most recent Senior Officials Speaking Engagements

cc: Bobbie Kilberg
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Acting Deputy Secretary Linda Stuntz
Jim Phalen, CP-2



April 10, 1992

MEMORANDUM TO: Debra Anderson
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and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

FROM : Schuyler J. Baab *Jim Baab*
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SUBJECT : Intergovernmental Affairs Report --
April 6 - April 10, 1992

CURRENT ISSUES

o Eighteen Cities Receive HIV Funding

Secretary Sullivan announced nearly \$60 million in supplemental grants to 18 cities to pay for health care and support services for people with AIDS and HIV infection. Since 1991, more than \$205 million has been awarded to cities with a high number of people diagnosed with AIDS. The funds were awarded under the provisions of Title I of the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act.

"Grants funds will be used by the cities to deliver or enhance HIV-related outpatient, ambulatory health and support services and inpatient case management services for individuals and their families," Dr. Sullivan said. "Services may include transportation of patients to care sites, home-delivered meals and meal banks, hospice care and the wide range of clinical and medical care necessary to treat the numerous opportunistic diseases affecting those living with the HIV virus."



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MEMORANDUM FOR DEBRA ANDERSON
DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT AND
DIRECTOR OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

THROUGH: *Mark Stephenson*
MARK STEPHENSON
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FROM: BILL JARRELL *Bj*
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

SUBJECT: Intergovernmental Affairs report
Week of April 6-10, 1992

I. HEADS UP:

--On April 23, the Salt River Project (SRP) will sponsor a rededication of Stewart Mountain Dam (east of Phoenix, Arizona). The ceremony will celebrate the completion of a \$50 million Reclamation Safety of Dams construction program to modify the dam. The principal items of work included the construction of a new auxiliary spillway, modifications to the existing service spillway, and strengthening of the dam with mass concrete placements and installation of post-tensioned steel cables. Speakers include Bureau of Reclamation Commissioner Dennis Underwood, Governor Fife Symington, and SRP President John Lassen. The ceremony will begin at 10:00 am at the Stewart Mountain Dam heliport.

II. PAST:

Fish and Wildlife and Parks

--CNN News is developing a major story on maintenance backlog within the National Park Service.

Bureau of Indian Affairs

--The National Indian Gaming Commission published in the April 9 Federal Register their final regulations on definitions of different kinds of gaming on Indian reservations. The regulations classify the different games into classes, Class II and III in particular. Indian tribes have been adamant in their opposition to many of the existing games being placed in the Class III category.

--Last week, Bureau of Indian Affairs Assistant Secretary Brown joined Secretarial Counselor Tim Glidden on a panel before the National Indian Gaming Association's annual meeting in Las Vegas.

WATER AND SCIENCE

--The Yuma Desalting Plant has been desalting about 5 million gallons of water per day since March 23. The plant is scheduled to start depositing desalted water into the Colorado River the week of April 6 and is expected to reach one-third operating capacity, about 22.5 million gallons per day, by the end of June.

LAND AND MINERALS MANAGEMENT

--On April 1, the Ohio House passed a substitute version of legislation which would make the Ohio Mine Subsidence Insurance Program self-sustaining. The House version reduces the number of counties subjected to mandatory insurance coverage from 37 counties (Senate version) to 28 counties. The Senate will vote on the revised version this week. If passed, the bill will be sent to the Governor for signature.

--The Illinois House of Representatives published a list of possible fund sources to address a deficiency in the Illinois employee hospitalization fund. The list included Federal funds allocated to the Regulatory Authority and Abandoned Mine Land agencies. The Office of Surface Mining's Springfield Field Office has notified both agencies that these funds cannot be considered for such funding deficiencies.

III. SECRETARIAL EVENTS

--On April 13, Secretary Lujan will address the Bureau of Land Management Fish and Wildlife 2000 Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico. His address will focus on the Department of the Interior's "Enjoy Outdoors America" Initiative.

--On April 14 and 15, Secretary Lujan will visit Big Bend National Park and discuss trans-Mexican border park management issues with two Mexican governors.



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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
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TO: The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

FROM: Department of Veterans Affairs' Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

SUBJ: Highlights for Week Ending April 10, 1992

IGA ATTENDS SCANS MEETING: On April 7, 1992, the Partnerships In Education coordinator attended the Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills (SCANS) at at DOL. One of the primary purposes of SCANS, sponsored by the DOL, is to help students connect what they learn in class to the world outside.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY NATIONAL CEMETERY DEDICATION ANNOUNCED: The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs dedicated its 114th national cemetery at San Joaquin Valley near Santa Nella, California on June 5, 1992. The cemetery is located among the major population centers of San Francisco, Sacramento, Fresno and San Jose and will serve one million Northern California veterans and their families. More than 23,000 gravesites will be available initially, with the fully developed cemetery having approximately 83,000 gravesites. The dedication ceremony will coincide with the 50th Anniversary of the Battle of Midway, designated by the Department of Defense as a "Commemorative Event of National Significance."

TENNESSEE DEDICATES NEW STATE VETERANS CEMETERY: On March 28, veterans and officials dedicated the new West Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery in Germantown, TN (near Memphis). The speakers, Tennessee Governor Ned McWherter and Tennessee State Veterans Affairs Commissioner Bill Manning, recognized Memphis National Cemetery Director Mike Cariota and his staff for their outstanding support to the state from the award of the \$1.3 million VA grant through the opening ceremonies. Also present were NCS State Cemetery Grant Service Director Hal Graber, Nashville National Cemetery Director Kevin Taylor and many other congressional, state and local government officials. More than 300 persons attended the ceremony opening this 200-acre facility, Tennessee's second of three planned state veterans cemeteries, designed and constructed with the help of VA matching funds.

SECRETARY'S UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 4/13 Speaks at University of Colorado, Boulder, CO
- 4/14 Speaks for Soviet Foreign Policy Class, Boulder, CO
- Speaks at Annual United Veterans Committee Awards Banquet, Denver, CO


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TO : Bobbie Kilberg
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FROM : Sanford J. McAllister *SJM*
Director
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SUBJECT : Weekly Activity Report

On Friday, April 3, the Commission held an all day workshop on transmission access and pricing. In addition to Chairman Martin Allday, all four FERC commissioners and twenty state commissioners participated in the dialogue. A transcript of the proceedings is available from the Division of Public and Intergovernmental Affairs at 202/208-1088.

On Wednesday, April 8, the Commission adopted a final rule (Order No. 636) that provides for a major restructuring of the way that interstate natural gas pipelines operate. Chairman Martin Allday said the final rule, which was adopted unanimously, will "provide all segments of the natural gas industry with the regulatory certainty that is the critical step to finally establishing a nationwide competitive gas market....It is the next, and hopefully last, major step in the Commission's efforts to allow competition, rather than regulation, to govern how pipelines operate." Copies of the final rule are available from the Division of Public and Intergovernmental Affairs at 202/208-1088.