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EPA Libraries Update

On Friday, May 4, at the request of Congress, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provided a briefing to members of several House Committees, as well as representatives from the Government Accountability Office (GAO).

The purpose of the meeting was to get information on what the EPA was doing in regard to its library system, especially in light of recently released internal procedure documents that seem to indicate the renewed dispersal of materials.

ALA is planning to call on EPA to meet with stakeholders, to get assurances that the EPA has not re-engaged the dismantling of its libraries and dispersing of materials prior to developing a plan that includes input from the stakeholders, as well as where they are with the digitization plan and how they are meeting users needs in this interim period.

For more information on the EPA Libraries, please visit www.ala.org/epalibraries.



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