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Public Printer of the United States
U.S. Government Printing Office
732 North Capitol Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20401

Dear Public Printer Vance-Cooks:

We write to thank you for hosting the 2014 Depository Library Council Meeting and Federal Depository Library Conference April 30-May 2, 2014 at the Government Printing Office’s (GPO) headquarters in Washington, D.C.

GPO’s beautiful historic building on North Capitol Street served as a fitting venue for the nearly 300 librarians who came to Washington to network and discuss plans for the future of the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP). As the FDLP enters its 201\textsuperscript{st} year, GPO has outlined an ambitious transformation for the future of the program that will enable greater public access to the information of the federal government and contribute to GPO’s ongoing mission of “Keeping America Informed”. Our members are eager to engage in a productive discussion about the proposed National Plan for the Future of the FDLP.

We wish to thank Superintendent of Documents Mary Alice Baish and GPO’s dedicated staff for their hospitality and professionalism throughout the conference. Their commitment and enthusiasm for the mission of GPO and the FDLP was evident in the way all staff made attendees feel welcome while continuing their daily work and undertaking the serious responsibility of keeping GPO safe and secure. Our members enjoyed the opportunity to attend sessions in the historic Harding Hall; tour the bindery, staff areas, and bookstore; and engage in trainings with GPO staff who might have otherwise been unable to attend the meeting. We appreciate the hard work and long hours your staff dedicated to planning the conference and helping to make it a success.

Our associations thank you once again for hosting the FDLP Conference at GPO’s “big red building” on Capitol Hill. We look forward to continuing to work together to strengthen and transform the FDLP.

Sincerely,

American Association of Law Libraries
Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries
American Library Association
Medical Library Association
Special Libraries Association

CC:
Mary Alice Baish, Superintendent of Documents
Joint Committee on Printing
Depository Library Council
The American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) was founded in 1906 to promote law libraries’ value to the legal and public communities; foster the law librarianship profession; and provide leadership in the legal information field. With nearly 5,000 members, AALL represents law librarians and related professionals who are affiliated with law firms; law schools; corporate legal departments; courts; and local, state and federal government agencies. www.aall.org
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The Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries (AAHSL) supports academic health sciences libraries and directors in advancing the patient care, research, education and community service missions of academic health centers through visionary executive leadership and expertise in health information, scholarly communication, and knowledge management. www.aahsl.org
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ALA American Library Association

The American Library Association is the oldest and largest library association in the world with some 56,000 members, primarily school, public, academic, and some special librarians, but also trustees, publishers, and friends of libraries. The Association provides leadership for the development, promotion, and improvement of library and information services and the profession of librarianship in order to enhance learning and ensure access to information for all. www.ala.org
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The Medical Library Association (MLA) is a nonprofit, educational organization with more than 4,000 health sciences information professional and institutional members worldwide. Founded in 1898, MLA provides lifelong educational opportunities, supports a knowledgebase of health information research, and works with a global network of partners to promote the importance of quality information for improved health to the health care community and the public. www.mlanet.org
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The Special Libraries Association (SLA) is a nonprofit global organization for innovative information professionals and their strategic partners. SLA serves about 9,000 members in 75 countries in the information profession, including corporate, academic, and government information specialists. SLA promotes and strengthens its members through learning, advocacy, and networking initiatives. www.sla.org
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