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Duluth -- In a formal presentation Friday (7-20-84), the University of Minnesota, Duluth (UMD) received official designation as a Federal Depository Library from U.S. Rep. James Oberstar. Oberstar presented the designation to UMD officials in behalf of the United States Printing Office.

The designation makes almost all federal government publications available through the UMD Library. These range from highly technical publications and research materials to very general publications.

Oberstar said his office in Washington receives many requests for information from northeastern Minnesota. "We're always happy to help the people of this region," he said. "But having the publications and information available at the UMD Library assures you of quick access. It saves the time and cost involved in mailing materials from Washington."

UMD Provost Robert Heller said the new designation will complement UMD's new engineering programs and the Natural Resources Research Institute (NRRI). "We'll have a great deal of technical information available to assist both students and researchers," Heller explained.

Don Pearce, director of the UMD Library, said approximately 8,500 items are available. "We'll probably select about half of them in the beginning," Pearce said. "Although it is an important addition to our Library now, it will become even more important 15 years from now--when the collection really starts to build up."

Additional information on the federal government publications in the Library is available by calling Pearce at 726-8102.

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