

What Was Lost, Now is Found: Using Google Books and Internet Archive to Rebuild What Hurricane Rita Destroyed

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"An Open Letter to Google..."

<http://noattention.blogspot.com/2007/04/open-letter-to-google-william-patry-and.html>

"Google Books/Fed Docs" series of FGI blog posts by Julia Tryon

<http://freegovinfo.info/blog/156>

"Google Books: What's Not to Like?" by Robert Townsend

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