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Honorable Shelley C Chapman

I am writing concerning Patroit  
filing bankruptcy. I worked all my  
24 years for Hollet Mining which  
belonged to Arch Coal, I retired in 2006  
after I retired Arch Coal sold out to  
Patroit Coal which I never worked for,  
for the reason of going bankrupt for the  
purpose of getting rich of liberalities,  
here I am 60 years old I have black  
lung, many other ailments, I am  
working in the mines, my wife is  
63 years old, she has had open heart  
surgery and other ailments, if we  
don't have health coverage for our  
medications, you let Patroit file  
bankruptcy what it comes down to you  
are signing our death warrants, what  
needs to happen Arch Coal and the  
other companies take care of their  
own employees like was agreed to  
in contract, Patroit Coal wouldn't  
have this problem.

Sincerely  
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