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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:

Chapter 11

PATRIOT COAL CORPORATION, et al.,

Case No. 12-12900 (SCC)

Debtors.

(Jointly Administered)

AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL D. WARNER REGARDING NOTICE OF CHANGE OF HOURLY RATES OF COLE, SCHOTZ, MEISEL, FORMAN & LEONARD, P.A.

- I, MICHAEL D. WARNER, being duly sworn, state the following under penalty of perjury:
- 1. I am a Member of the law firm of Cole, Schotz, Meisel, Forman & Leonard, P.A. ("Cole Schotz" or the "Firm"). I am a member in good standing of the Bars of the States of Texas and California, and I am admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Northern, Eastern, Southern and Western Districts of Texas and the United States District Court for the Central, Eastern and Northern District of California. In addition, I am admitted to practice before the Fifth and Ninth Circuit Courts of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court. There are no disciplinary proceedings pending against me.

2. Pursuant to the Order Authorizing and Approving the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors' of Patriot Coal Corporation, et al. to Employ and Retain Cole, Schotz, Meisel, Forman & Leonard, P.A. as Conflicts Counsel Effective August 16, 2012 (the "Cole Schotz Retention Order") entered September 10, 2012 [Docket No.536], I hereby file this notice of a change in the hourly rates of certain Cole Schotz attorneys and paralegals. Effective October 1, 2012, certain attorneys and paralegals hourly rates for matter related to the above-referenced chapter 11 cases increased as follows:

Attorney/Paraprofessional	Hourly Rate as of Commencement Date	Hourly Rate Effective October 1, 2012
Michael D. Warner (Member)	\$620	\$650
Stuart Komrower (Member)	\$625	\$645
David M. Bass (Member)	\$595	\$610
Roger M. Iorio (Member)	\$395	\$405
Robyn A. Pellegrino (Associate)	\$385	\$400
Wylie D. Van Ness (Associate)	\$305	\$330
Jill B. Bienstock (Associate)	\$275	\$295
Kerri LaBrada (Paralegal)	\$185	\$200
Kim Calkin (McEllen) (Paralegal)	\$185	\$190

- 3. The rate increases are in accordance with Cole Schotz's policies and are a result of attorneys' and paralegals' annual advance in seniority. The aforementioned listing includes only those professionals who have worked on this matter. Rate increases occurred in all of Cole Schotz's departments and are effective for all of Cole Schotz's clients.
- 4. Pursuant to the Order to Establish Procedures for Interim Monthly Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals, entered August 2, 2012, [Docket No. 262] (the "Interim Compensation Order"), Cole Schotz will continue to disclose the billing rate of each partner, associate, and paraprofessional providing services to the Debtors on a monthly basis in each Monthly Application (as defined in the Interim Compensation Order).

¹ The attorneys and paralegals listed in the chart are limited to individuals who have billed to the above-referenced chapter 11 cases since the commencement of the chapter 11 cases.

Dated: November 19, 2012

Respectfully submitted,

Michael D Warner Cole, Schotz, Meisel Forman

& Leonard, P.A.

Sworn to before me this 19 day of November, 2012.

KERRI L. LABRADA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES April 29, 2015