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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:

PATRIOT COAL CORPORATION, et al.,

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 12-12900 (SCC)

(Jointly Administered)

JOINDER OF PHILLIPS MACHINE SERVICE, INC. TO THE DEBTORS' OBJECTION TO UNITED MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA'S MOTION TO TRANSFER THE CASE TO THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

Phillips Machine Service, Inc. ("Phillips") through its undersigned counsel hereby submits this Joinder to the Debtors' Objection (the "**Objection**") to the United Mine Workers of America's Motion to Transfer the Case to the Southern District of West Virginia [ECF No. 116] (the "**Motion**"). In support of the Joinder, Phillips respectfully submits the following:

- 1. Phillips is a party in interest in the above-captioned cases pursuant to its status as a creditor and vendor of the Debtors. Phillips is in the process of rebuilding two (2) continuous miners which are to be used in a super-section in one of the Debtors' underground mining facilities. In addition, Phillips is a vendor for numerous of the Debtors' mining facilities.
- 2. As set forth in detail in the Objection, the United Mine Workers of America has filed the Motion seeking to transfer venue of these cases from the Southern District of New York to the Southern District of West Virginia. Phillips hereby objects to the Motion on the grounds raised and asserted in the Objection, and supports venue of these cases in the Southern District of New York.

WHEREFORE, Phillips Machine Service, Inc. respectfully requests that the Court enter an order (i) denying the Motion and (ii) granting such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I am over the age of eighteen years, am not a party to this proceeding and am employed as the Managing Clerk by the law firm of Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP. I hereby certify that on the 25th day of July, 2012, I caused a true and correct copy of the Joinder of Phillips Machine Service, Inc. to the Debtors' Objection to United Mine Workers of America's Motion to Transfer the Case to the Southern District of West Virginia to be served by-hand upon:

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Dated: New York, New York July 25, 2012