The Honorable Kathy A. Surratt-States Thomas F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse 111 South 10<sup>th</sup> St. 4<sup>th</sup> Floor St. Louis, MO 63103 Case No 12-51502 22116 W 48<sup>th</sup> St Shawnee, KS 66226 January 11, 2013

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U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

Dear Judge Kathy,

I am writing to you in an attempt to persuade you to help myself and my family, the brotherhood of coal miners. As you are aware the Patriot Coal Company is attempting to relieve itself of their obligations of health care to their retirees.

Judge, we worked many long hard years in those mines and many of us suffered the physical effects of that work and many have since passed because of their work. This country was built on the backs of miners like myself who gave up so much, and now in our "golden years" they are wanting to put us in jeopardy. In those years that we worked so hard we negotiated to give up monies from our monthly pension to assure our health would be taken care of, and now they want to take that as well.

We all know the medicare system is also in crisis, I need to make sure my wife and myself do not go uncovered and that we can stay as healthy as possible. We hope you can understand that and rule that the Peabody Coal Company must live up to their obligations to us. God bless America!

With respect,

Wendel Morris

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