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DEAR HONORABLE KATHY A. SURRESSOUTH STATES OF MISSOUTH STATES OF MISSOUTH STATES OF THE SOUTH STATES OF THE STATES OF THE SOUTH STATES OF THE SOUT

IM A RETIREE OF PEABODY LOAL COMPANY. I STARTED WORKING FOR PEABODY IN 1975 AT THE ALE OF NINTEEN. I WORKED FOR FOUR PEABODY MINES FOR THE NEXT TWENTY-Five YEARS. AS ONE MINE WOULD CLOSE I WOULD MOVE TO THE NEXT MINE UNTIL THE END OF 1999 WHEN HAWTHORN MINE CLOSED DOWN. SINCE THERE WERE NO MORE UNION MINES IN INDIANA TO GO TO I TOOK THE FULL RETIREMENT OFFERED TO ME BY PEABODY. I STARTED DRAWING MY PENSION WITH THE AGREEMENT THAT WHEN I TURENED FIFTY - FIVE I WOULD REceive my MEDICAL BENEFITS UNTIL DEATH. NOW IT SEEMS PEABODY DOES NOT WANT TO HONOR THEIR OBLIGATION TO THEIR RETIREES AND WIDOWS. I KNOW THAT PEABODY HAS PROMISED ITS COMPANY PERSONAL THAT THIS WILL NOT AFFECT THEM, AS MY FATHER IS A RETIRED SUPERVISOR FOR PEMBODY. I HAUE BEEN MARRIED FOR THIRTY-SIX YEARS TO A WONDERFUL WOMAN WHO HAS RAISED THREE SONS WHILE I WORKED SIX AND SEVEN DAYS A WEEK TO

EARN A LIVING AND PREPARE FOR
RETIREMENT. MY WIFE HAS HAD
BACK SURGERY TWICE AND NOW NEEDS
ANOTHER ONE. SHE HAS DIABETES AND
KIDNEY PROBLEMS. I FELL THIRTY FEET
BACK IN 2007. I SHATTERED BOTH ANKLES,
FRAJURED ONE LEG, AND DAMAGED MY
BACK. I ALSO HAVE HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE.
IF WE LOSE OUR HEALTH INSURANCE,
AT MY AGE AND HEALTH, IT WOULD
DEVASTATE US. SO IM BEGGING YOU
TO PLEASE CONSIDER THE CONSEQUENCES
DENING INSURANCE TO THOUSANDS OF
PEOPLE WILL HAVE ON THEM IF YOU
DECIDE AGAINST US.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND

MAY GOD BLESS YOU.

Ralph Hennecke

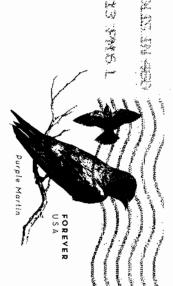
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