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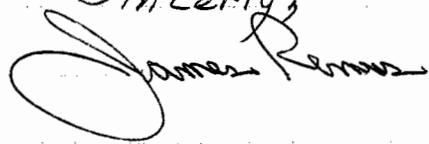
Your Honor,

I am a 55 year old coal miner from Sturgis, Ky who works at Patriot Coal's Highland #9 Mine at Waverly, Ky. In 2007 when Peabody Coal spun off to form Patriot Coal we were told it was for Tax purposes only and it would be "business as usual."

I have 24 years in the coal mines, all with Peabody + now Patriot Coal and if they get what they want I will have nothing! No pension and no healthcare and since my wife babysits in our home and depends on our health care, too, she won't have any either!

Please Your Honor, don't let this happen. There are a lot of people worse off than we are too. Please do the right thing. We were promised our pensions + healthcare. Please do the right thing!

Sincerely,



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