

February 6, 2013

Your Honor,

I would like to express what this hearing means to me. I am 66 years of age with 28 years in the coal mining industry. I worked with a goal in mind and now upon my retirement years, Patriot Coal Company wants to change the plan. I am sure you are aware that for most of the retirees, probably over 90%, the insurance is a supplement to Medicare. Therefore, Patriot Coal has less of a financial burden. Most retirees are on daily medication and if they lose their insurance they may not be able to afford their medicine. At our age, we can no longer compete in the workforce to earn more income.

Thank you,

Allen Ellis  
Beaver Dam, KY

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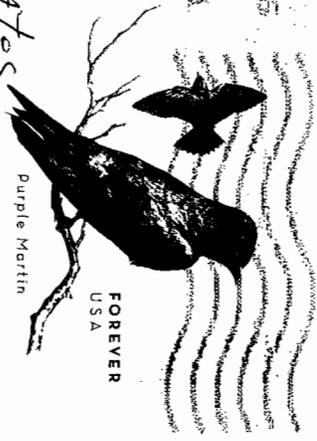
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