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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**

**NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT AND FIRST DAY HEARING**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on July 9, 2012, the debtors listed on Exhibit A attached hereto (collectively, the “**Debtors**”) each filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “**Bankruptcy Code**”) with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the “**Court**”).

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that a **hearing has been scheduled for July 10, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) before the Honorable Allan L. Gropper, United States Bankruptcy Judge, One Bowling Green, Room 617, New York, New York 10004** (the “**Hearing**”) and may be adjourned from time to time without further notice other than an announcement at the Hearing.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that the Debtors will move the Court for entry of the following orders at the Hearing:

1. Order pursuant to a motion directing joint administration of chapter 11 cases

2. Order pursuant to a motion for (i) waiver of requirement to file list of creditors and (ii) establishment of procedures for notifying creditors of the commencement of the chapter 11 cases
3. Order pursuant to a motion for extension of time to file schedules and waiver of requirements to file equity holder lists and provide notice to equity holders
4. Order pursuant to a motion for establishment of certain notice, case management and administrative procedures
5. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders authorizing postpetition financing and utilization of cash collateral, granting adequate protection to prepetition secured lenders and scheduling final hearing
6. Order pursuant to a motion authorizing the filing under seal of the fee letters relating to postpetition financing
7. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders authorizing debtors to continue to use existing cash management system and maintain existing bank accounts and business forms
8. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final order (i) authorizing debtors to pay prepetition wages, salaries, benefits and other compensation and maintain employee benefits programs and pay related administrative obligations and (ii) allowing employees and retirees to proceed with outstanding workers' compensation claims
9. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders authorizing debtors to enter into, perform under, roll over, adjust, modify, settle, terminate and engage in certain derivative contracts and pledge collateral under certain derivatives contracts
10. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders authorizing the debtors to honor prepetition obligations to customers in the ordinary course of business
11. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders authorizing debtors to pay certain prepetition claims of shippers, warehousemen and service providers
12. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders authorizing debtors to pay prepetition obligations owed to foreign creditors
13. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders authorizing Debtors to pay certain prepetition claims of critical vendors
14. Order pursuant to a motion (i) granting administrative expense status to undisputed obligations to vendors arising from the postpetition delivery of goods ordered

prepetition and (ii) authorizing payment of those obligations in the ordinary course of business

15. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders authorizing the debtors to enter into and perform under coal sale contracts in the ordinary course of business and establishing certain procedures with respect thereto

16. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders authorizing the debtors to continue and renew their liability, property, casualty and other insurance programs and honor all obligations in respect thereof

17. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders authorizing the Debtors to continue and renew surety bond program

18. Order pursuant to first omnibus motion to approve procedures for the rejection of certain agreements effective as of the petition date and the abandonment of certain excess leased equipment

19. Order pursuant to second omnibus motion to approve procedures for the rejection of certain agreements effective as of the petition date and the abandonment of certain excess leased equipment

20. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders authorizing the Debtors to pay certain prepetition taxes, governmental assessments and fees

21. Interim order pursuant to a motion for interim and final orders establishing notification procedures and approving restrictions on certain transfers of claims and interests

22. Order pursuant to an application appointing GCG, Inc. as claims and noticing agent for the Debtors

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that a full set of the pleadings referenced above may be obtained by: (i) accessing the Court's website at <http://www.nysb.uscourts.gov> through an account obtained from the Pacer Service Center at 1-800-676-6856 or [www.pacer.gov](http://www.pacer.gov), (ii) accessing the Debtors' case information website at [www.PatriotCaseInfo.com](http://www.PatriotCaseInfo.com) or (iii) contacting the Debtors' proposed noticing agent, GCG, Inc., at 1-877-600-6531.

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The following is a list of each Debtor and the federal tax identification number.

<b>Debtor</b>	<b>Taxpayer I.D.</b>
Affinity Mining Company	25-1207512
Apogee Coal Company, LLC	35-0672865
Appalachia Mine Services, LLC	20-1680233
Beaver Dam Coal Company, LLC	61-0129825
Big Eagle, LLC	54-1985006
Big Eagle Rail, LLC	54-1988672
Black Stallion Coal Company, LLC	20-0657792
Black Walnut Coal Company	68-0541705
Bluegrass Mine Services, LLC	43-1540253
Brook Trout Coal, LLC	26-0004876
Catenary Coal Company, LLC	43-1515836
Central States Coal Reserves of Kentucky, LLC	20-3960681
Charles Coal Company, LLC	04-2698757
Cleaton Coal Company	43-1887526
Coal Clean LLC	31-1488063
Coal Properties, LLC	04-2702708
Coal Reserve Holding Limited Liability Company No. 2	43-1922735
Colony Bay Coal Company	55-0604613
Cook Mountain Coal Company, LLC	55-0732291
Corydon Resources LLC	45-2463790
Coventry Mining Services, LLC	45-0573119
Coyote Coal Company LLC	20-8226141
Cub Branch Coal Company LLC	45-2977278
Dakota LLC	55-0763723
Day LLC	20-0041392
Dixon Mining Company, LLC	62-1872287
Dodge Hill Holding JV, LLC	05-0575436
Dodge Hill Mining Company, LLC	61-1378899
Dodge Hill of Kentucky, LLC	02-0697247
EACC Camps, Inc.	25-0600150
Eastern Associated Coal, LLC	25-1125516
Eastern Coal Company, LLC	20-4099004
Eastern Royalty, LLC	04-2698759
Emerald Processing, L.L.C.	54-1766524
Gateway Eagle Coal Company, LLC	27-4256908
Grand Eagle Mining, LLC	61-1250622
Heritage Coal Company LLC	13-2606920
Highland Mining Company, LLC	43-1869675
Hillside Mining Company	55-0695451
Hobet Mining, LLC	31-4446083
Indian Hill Company LLC	20-0066123
Infinity Coal Sales, LLC	26-0004884
Interior Holdings, LLC	43-1700075
IO Coal LLC	55-0769812
Jarrell's Branch Coal Company	73-1625894
Jupiter Holdings LLC	31-1688670
Kanawha Eagle Coal, LLC	54-1969926
Kanawha River Ventures I, LLC	20-0089445
Kanawha River Ventures II, LLC	20-0506578
Kanawha River Ventures III, LLC	20-0506617

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KE Ventures, LLC	54-1985007
Little Creek LLC	20-0041764
Logan Fork Coal Company	73-1625895
Magnum Coal Company LLC	20-3678373
Magnum Coal Sales LLC	20-4623056
Martinka Coal Company, LLC	55-0716084
Midland Trail Energy LLC	26-1629024
Midwest Coal Resources II, LLC	20-8080003
Mountain View Coal Company, LLC	25-1474206
New Trout Coal Holdings II, LLC	20-5032361
Newtown Energy, Inc.	55-0685209
North Page Coal Corp.	31-1210133
Ohio County Coal Company, LLC	20-8080158
Panther LLC	55-0763722
Patriot Beaver Dam Holdings, LLC	90-0858476
Patriot Coal Company, L.P.	61-1258748
Patriot Coal Corporation	20-5622045
Patriot Coal Sales LLC	26-0232530
Patriot Coal Services LLC	27-3459485
Patriot Leasing Company LLC	20-8819264
Patriot Midwest Holdings, LLC	20-4370400
Patriot Reserve Holdings, LLC	20-3405596
Patriot Trading LLC	26-3247515
PCX Enterprises, Inc.	45-5405016
Pine Ridge Coal Company, LLC	55-0737187
Pond Creek Land Resources, LLC	75-3058253
Pond Fork Processing LLC	55-0782677
Remington Holdings LLC	20-0063793
Remington II LLC	20-0046320
Remington LLC	55-0763721
Rivers Edge Mining, Inc.	43-1898371
Robin Land Company, LLC	20-4090125
Sentry Mining, LLC	43-1540251
Snowberry Land Company	43-1721980
Speed Mining LLC	55-0742194
Sterling Smokeless Coal Company, LLC	55-0463558
TC Sales Company, LLC	20-4090162
The Presidents Energy Company LLC	80-0256382
Thunderhill Coal LLC	55-0769813
Trout Coal Holdings, LLC	26-0004872
Union County Coal Co., LLC	74-3096591
Viper LLC	20-0041882
Weatherby Processing LLC	55-0757147
Wildcat Energy LLC	55-0779955
Wildcat, LLC	55-0783526
Will Scarlet Properties LLC	45-2233074
Winchester LLC	20-0052628
Winifrede Dock Limited Liability Company	55-0746752
Yankeetown Dock, LLC	35-0923438