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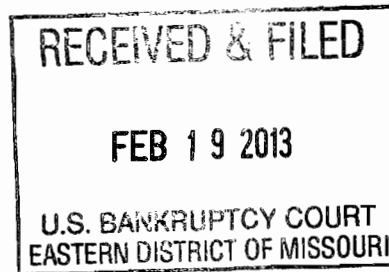
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February 12, 2013

Honorable Kathy A. Surratt-States
Thomas F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse
111 South 10th Street 4th Floor
St. Louis, MO 63102

Re: Case No. 12-51502



Dear Honorable Surratt-States:

The effort by Patriot Coal Corporation to shed itself of the health care obligations to UMWA retirees, widows and their dependents as well as destroying the current collective bargaining agreement at active operations continues. The effect of these actions by the Company will be immediate and devastating for tens of thousands of UMWA families throughout the nation's coalfields. Further, these actions could have a ripple effect in the future that places the security of all UMWA members and their families at risk.

The ripple effect will continue to build and affect every small community in the State of West Virginia. It is time for these big companies to live up to their obligation made in good faith.

I do think if an inspection was made, it would be found that Patriot Coal Corporation is the original company with a name change to remove themselves from their obligations.

Thank You,



Robert Garcia, Mayor

cc: UMWA International Union

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