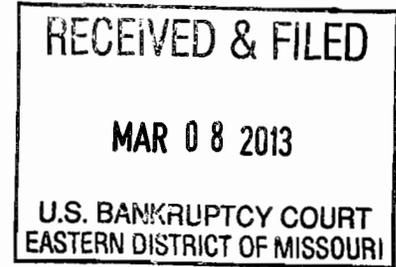


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SUBJECT: Patriot Coal Bankruptcy

Your Honor:

I am writing this letter to ask you to please not rule in April to let Patriot Coal terminate or change my medical and prescription benefits that my deceased husband, Billy M. Ritchie, worked 36 years for Eastern/Peabody/Patriot Coal as a Salary Foreman, Mine Foreman, and Superintendent employee. He passed in 1996 at age 62.

I live on a very limited income. I do not have extra money to buy medical and prescription insurance that my husband was promised him and me would always have. I am a 78 year old widow with several medical problems and I need my insurance. I have been lying awake at night worrying about this since Patriot mailed me the letter in December, 2012. I have been praying you will not rule to let Patriot terminate or change my medical and prescription benefits.

Please try to understand if it was you, your mother, your sister, your friend, etc. in my situation and not let Patriot Coal terminate or change my medical and prescription benefits.

Thank You Very Much,

*Roberta Ritchie*

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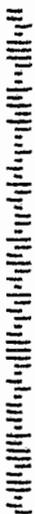
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