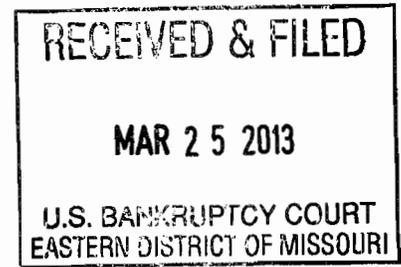


508 Turkey Pen Drive
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March 15, 2013



The Honorable Kathy A. Surratt-States

Re: Case No. 12-51502

Thomas F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse
111 South 10th Street, 4th Floor
St. Louis, MO 63102

Dear Judge Surratt-States,

We are writing in regards to the bankruptcy proceedings involving Patriot Coal Corporation, and their desire to be relieved of their health care obligations to the retirees, widows and dependents of the United Mine Workers of America.

Although my husband Tommy has never worked for Patriot Coal Corporation, it is Patriot Coal whose name is on the current medical card which we use. When Tommy began working for this particular coal company it was known as Boone County Coal. The company's name changed several times over the years and is now currently Patriot Coal.

We are forever grateful for the medical and prescription benefits, as well as a monthly pension, and are planning to be among the many supporters of the United Mine Workers of America on Tuesday, March 19, 2013, in St. Louis, Mo.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you proceed through these court hearings. We ask that you render the fairest possible decision for all parties involved.

Sincere Regards,

Handwritten signatures of Tommy Pickett and Debbie Pickett.

Tommy and Debbie Pickett

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