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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)

**JOINDER OF J.H. FLETCHER & CO. TO THE DEBTORS' OBJECTION TO
MOTION OF THE UNITED MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA TO TRANSFER
THE CASE TO THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA, (ii)
SURETIES' MOTION TO TRANSFER JOINTLY ADMINISTERED CASES TO
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA, AND (iii) MOTION OF THE
UNITED STATES TRUSTEE TO TRANSFER IN THE INTEREST OF JUSTICE**

J.H. Fletcher & Co., through its undersigned counsel, hereby submits this Joinder to the Debtors' Objection [Docket Number 425] (the "**Objection**") to the United Mine Workers of America's, certain Sureties', and the United States Trustee's Motions to Transfer the Case to the Southern District of West Virginia [Docket Numbers 116, 127, 13003341.1

287, and 406] (the “**Motions**”). In support of the Joinder, J.H. Fletcher & Co., respectfully submit as follows:

1. J.H. Fletcher & Co., which maintains its principal place of business in Huntington, West Virginia, within the Southern District of West Virginia, is a party in interest in the above-captioned cases pursuant to its status as a creditor of the Debtors. J.H. Fletcher & Co., provides machinery, equipment, and replacement parts to the Debtors.

2. As set forth in detail in the Objection, United Mine Workers of America, certain Sureties and the United State Trustee have filed Motions seeking to transfer venue of these cases from the Southern District of New York to the Southern District of West Virginia. J.H. Fletcher & Co, hereby objects to the Motions on the grounds raised and asserted in the Objection, and supports venue of these cases in the Southern District of New York.

WHEREFORE, J.H. Fletcher & Co, respectfully requests that the Court enter an order (i) denying the Motions and (ii) granting such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

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