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States  
U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

To: The Honorable Kathy A. Surratt  
Your Honor,

My name is Carmen Burns, a 41 year member of the UMWA, the last 33 years as a member of Local Union 6436 Prenter W.Va.

The last 21 years that I worked it was for Peabody Coal Corp., Patriot Coal Corp. and their spinoff Co. Pine Ridge Coal Co. I retired in 2005.

All those years I was promised lifetime health care in return for my labor and my health, but now that changed, Pine Ridge Coal (Patriot Coal Corp.) wants to take away that health care.

I think this is a move they have been planning for years to get out of their commitment of lifetime health care for their employees and retirees.

They have made billions of dollars off our labor so I think they can afford to keep their promise to us.

It would be very unfair and unjust to let them get away with this.

I have several health issues, some of which —

OVER PLEASE —

HAS BEEN CAUSED BY MY <sup>MANY</sup> YEARS UNDER  
THOSE MOUNTAINS, WHILE WORKING FOR THESE  
COAL CORPS WHO NOW WANT TO TAKE AWAY  
OUR HEALTH CARE.

I AM A DIABETIC, WITH DIABETES  
RELATED PROBLEMS. I'M IN STAGE (3) KIDNEY  
FAILURE AND DIABETIC NEUROPHY. I AM  
CLASSIFIED C.O.P.D. FOR WHICH I MUST HAVE  
OXYGEN, I HAVE HAD OPEN HEART SURGERY  
I AM A (2) TWO TIME ~~CANCER~~ <sup>CANCER</sup> SURGERY  
SURVIVOR, ONE BEING PROSTATE CANCER AND  
THE OTHER BLADDER CANCER. I HAVE  
3 HERNIATED DISCS IN MY BACK AND  
OSTEO ARTHRITIS IN MOST OF MY BODY.

MY WIFE ALSO HAS MEDICAL ISSUES  
FOR WHICH SHE MUST HAVE DOCTORS VISITS  
AND MEDICATIONS.

MOST RETIREES HAVE LIMITED INCOME  
AND CANNOT AFFORD TO PAY FOR DOCTOR VISITS,  
HOSPITAL STAYS, MEDICAL PROCEDURES, ~~AND~~  
~~AND~~ ~~AND~~ MEDICATIONS AND FOOD TO EAT.

AS MANY RETIREES WOULD SURELY  
STARVE, I BEG YOUR HONOR, PLEASE  
DON'T LET THESE COAL CORPS TAKE AWAY  
OUR PROMISED HEALTH CARE.

THANK YOU

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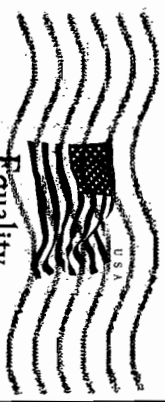
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