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EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

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

I have worked forty two years in the coal mines. Most of which was for Eastern Accoc. coal, Peabody Coal, and Patriot Coal. I am seventy five years old and as you know men who worked this long in the mines are not in very good health. It would be impossible to get insurance that I could afford at this age. I can't inderstand how these companies can get away with deserting the men who have given the best part of their lives and health to make millions for themselves.

So at a time when it is needed the most they are trying to take the benefits that were promised to their employees when they retired. I can't understand how any government can allow such a thing to take place. Please don't take the rights of all these working men and women.

I am not able to travel to these hearings because of health problems. Therefore I want to thank you for your consideration to this matter. Please don't let these miners have to go without healthcare and benefits that were promised to them by signing a contract with them.

Thank you,



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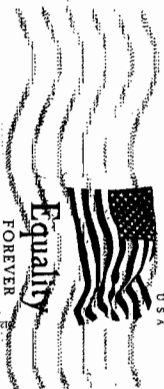
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