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U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

February 9, 2013

The Honorable Kathy A. Swett - States

Dear Judge Swett - States

My name is Ted Bytt. I am a sixty nine year old retired employee of Arch Mineral Corporation with thirty three years of service. I never worked one minute for Patriot Coal, yet they want to be allowed to file for bankruptcy to get out of their contractual obligation to their retirees and widows by cutting off our health care and pensions.

This would have a devastating effect on my family and numerous individuals and families as most of us have many health problems due to the many years of service in the coal industry.

I was diagnosed with Black Lung Disease in 2002. I received a one time cash settlement from Arch Mineral Corporation on June 10, 2003. I also have had both my knees replaced, and have a pacemaker for my heart.

On December 16, 2010 I received a kidney transplant at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis. I will have to take anti-rejection medicine for the rest of my life. Without health care from Arch it will be next to impossible to pay for my medicine. As a result of my medications I now have diabetes and I take insulin four times a day.

I don't feel it is right or just for Arch and Peabody to be allowed to take away our benefits.

May God guide you in your decision you are forced to make in this case.

Respectfully yours,  
Ted Bytt

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The Honorable Kathy A. Stewart - States  
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