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Your Honor,

I am a member of the UMW local 1148, District 12.

In regard to the situation of Patriot Coal companies proposed bankruptcy, the pastor of my church Fr. Leo J. Hayes had this to say in behalf of all of my brother and sister retirees. Through no fault of his he received wrong information which you will notice is written in the second paragraph of his response to the ongoing situation, but his thoughts on this are very clear. I respectfully ask that when you rule on this case that justice will be served.

Thank You

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U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

The Concerned Catholic Christian Capitalist Committee

Fr. Leo J. Hayes, President

Dear Your Honor:

It has been called to my attention by one of my parishioners that some retired coal miners may possibly lose their medical insurance from a company that they have worked so hard for, for so many years, because of a legal technicality.

Peabody sold to Arch who in turn soled to Patriot who is now declaring bankruptcy before you. It may look like a straight forward deal, but is it? Or is it a crime scene?

In prosecuting any crime, the prosecutor looks for motive and opportunity. The incentive here is obviously money. The opportunity is a loop hole in the bankruptcy laws, of which you, Your Honor, are the Guardian.

We ask you to call in the Executives of these three companies and, under oath, grill them about what the motive of this selling and buying was all about. It is interesting that so many of these executives are inter-companies related. Someone, everyone, will tell you the truth, as to their motive.

This selling and buying of employees' health insurances, smacks of the selling and buying of human lives! At one time that also was legal.

It may be true that a company that no longer can make money, can't continue to pay out for previous commitments. However, these companies do have assets.

If these companies have deliberately planed this "legal" way to deprive their laborers of their just wages (medical benefits), then this is a crime that calls to heaven (Your Honor) for vengeance (just compensation).

We propose that you direct the sale (at a fair price) of these companies assets (if found to be in collusion) and the proceeds (a just amount) be paid to each former employees' IMA Fund (Individual Medical Account). Thus, the employer is relieved of any future medical insurance responsibility, and the former employee has adequate access to health services.

With every best wish for justice, we are

Gratefully yours,
Father Leo J. Hayes
President of C.C.C.C.C.

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