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Honorable Judge Kathy A Surratt

I am writing to let you know how important our Health Care, provided by Patriot Coal is to us, especially now at our age, since we are both in our Seventies now.

Last year (2012) I had three life threatening surgeries. I spent many days in the hospital, three days in ICU. I will be having another surgery this year. Because of our Health plan I have and will receive the very best care, and we are sure, I would not have received the same care had we not had it.

My husband worked 28 years for Peabody Coal before retiring with the promise of a life long Health Care plan for us.

Now Peabody, Patriot and Arch are trying to get out of their obligations and take away our Health Care, when our health is failing us and we need it the most.

Honorable Judge Kathy, these retirees, and active miners are who have made these coal companies rich, they risk their lives daily to produce coal for them. This is an immoral act on their part and there will be thousands of retirees, active miners their dependants and widows affected if they lose their Health Care.

May God Bless you

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