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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

In re:

PATRIOT COAL CORPORATION, et al.,

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 12-12900 (SCC)

(Jointly Administered)

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE AND REQUEST FOR SERVICE AND NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Shepard Boone Coal Company, LLC, WPP LLC and ACIN LLC (collectively, the “*NRP Creditors*”), by and through their counsel of record, Vinson & Elkins LLP, hereby file this Notice of Appearance and Request for Service and Notice pursuant to Rule 9010(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “*Bankruptcy Rules*”), and request, pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 2002 and 9007, that all notices given or required to be given in this case be given to and served upon counsel for the NRP Creditors at the following address, telephone, facsimile, and email:

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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the foregoing demand includes not only the notices and papers referred to in the Bankruptcy Rules and sections of the Bankruptcy Code specified above, but also includes, without limitation, the schedules, statement of financial affairs, operating reports, any plan of reorganization or disclosure statement, any letter, application, motion, complaint, objection, claim, demand, hearing, petition, pleadings or request, whether formal or informal, whether written or oral, and whether transmitted or conveyed by mail, delivery, telephone, telegraph, telex or otherwise filed with or delivered to the Bankruptcy Clerk, Clerk, Court or Judge (as those terms are defined in Bankruptcy Rule 9001) in connection with and with regard to the above-referenced bankruptcy cases and any proceedings related thereto.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the NRP Creditors do not consent to, or waive any rights, claims, actions, or defenses through the filing and service of this Notice of Appearance and Request for Service and Notice with respect to jurisdiction under title 11 of the United States Code, and strictly reserve such rights, including (i) the right to trial by jury in any proceeding triable in this case or any case, controversy or proceeding related to this case, (ii) the right to have final orders in non-core matters entered only with de novo review by the District Court, (iii) the right to seek to have the District Court withdraw the reference in any matter subject to mandatory or discretionary withdrawal, and (iv) the right to assert or exercise any other rights, claims, actions, setoffs, or recoupments to which the NRP Creditors are or may be

entitled, in law or in equity, all of which rights, claims, actions, defenses, setoffs, and recoupments
are expressly reserved.

Dated: August 29, 2012
New York, New York

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on August 29, 2012, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by (i) the Electronic Case Filing system for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York on those parties that have consented to such service and (ii) by United States first class mail, postage prepaid, as indicated, on the parties listed below.

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