IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

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PATRIOT COAL CORPORATION, et al.,

Debtors.

Chapter 11 Case No. 12-51502-659 (Jointly Administered)

APPLICATION FOR EXPANSION OF EMPLOYMENT OF GCP LEGAL ADVISORS, LLC TO INCLUDE NEW DEBTORS; DISCLOSURE OF COMPENSATION OF ATTORNEYS FOR THE DEBTORS; FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION OF RICHARD A. KEFFER IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION TO EMPLOY GCP LEGAL ADVISORS, LLC AS SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR THE DEBTORS

- I, Richard A. Keffer, hereby state and declare as follows:
- 1. I am an attorney and partner in the law firm of GCP Legal Advisors, LLC ("GCP Legal Advisors"). Our firm maintains offices for the practice of law at 274 Greenbriar Estates Drive, St. Louis, MO 63122. I am familiar with the matters set forth herein.
- 2. I submit this First Supplemental Declaration pursuant to Section 329(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 2014(a) and 2016(b) in further support of the Application for Authority to Employ GCP Legal Advisors as Special Counsel for the Debtors [Dkt. No. 4414] (the "Application"). This First Supplemental Declaration updates and supplements the Declaration of Richard A. Keffer (the "Prior Declaration"). Capitalized terms not defined in this First Supplemental Declaration have the meanings given thereto in the Application.

- 3. Since the filing of the Prior Declarations, GCP Legal Advisors has been engaged by Brody Mining, LLC and Patriot Ventures LLC (the "New Debtors"), which commenced Chapter 11 cases on September 23, 2013 (the "New Debtors' Petition Date"). In connection with that engagement, I have caused to be conducted a search of GCP Legal Advisors' conflict-check system in respect of a list provided to me by the Debtors of the principal parties in interest in the New Debtors' Chapter 11 cases, which are listed on Exhibit A hereto. GCP Legal Advisors' conflict-check system is described in further detail in my declaration that was attached to the Application.
 - 4. The search described above revealed the following connections:
 - (a) None
- 5. To the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, neither GCP Legal Advisors nor any attorney associated with GCP Legal Advisors:
 - (a) is a creditor, an equity security holder, or an insider of the New Debtors;
 - (b) is or has been, within two years before the New Debtors' Petition Date, a director, officer, or employee of the New Debtors; or
 - (c) has an interest materially adverse to the interests of the New Debtors' estates or of any class of creditors or equity security holders, by reason of any direct or indirect relationship to, connection with, or interest in the New Debtors, or for any other reason.
- 6. GCP Legal Advisors did not receive any compensation within one year before the filing of the New Debtors' cases that was specifically related to services rendered or to be rendered in contemplation of or in connection with the New Debtors' cases. However, certain payments received by GCP Legal Advisors from the other Debtors in accordance with the regular

compensation procedures established in the Debtors' cases may have related generally to services rendered in connection with the preparation of papers in advance of the commencement of the New Debtors' cases. To the extent that GCP Legal Advisors had accrued fees and expenses relating to such services as of the New Debtors' Petition Date, GCP Legal Advisors considers them to be obligations of the other Debtors, which, in their capacity as owners and affiliates of the New Debtors, requested GCP Legal Advisors to provide such services.

- 7. There is no agreement of any nature as to the sharing of any compensation to be paid to GCP Legal Advisors, other than sharing among the partners and regular associates of GCP Legal Advisors. No promises have been received by GCP Legal Advisors nor any partner or regular associate thereof as to compensation in connection with these cases, other than in accordance with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 8. I am not related to, and to the best of my knowledge no other attorney associated with GCP Legal Advisors is a relative of, any Bankruptcy Judge in this District, the United States Trustee, or any person employed by the Office of the United States Trustee.
- 9. Except as disclosed above, I do not believe that there is any other connection (as such term is used in Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2014(a)) between GCP Legal Advisors and the New Debtors, creditors, any other party in interest, their respective attorneys and accountants, the United States Trustee, or any person employed by the Office of the United States Trustee.
- 10. On behalf of GCP Legal Advisors, I request that the Court's Order Authorizing Employment of GCP Legal Advisors as Special Counsel for the Debtors [Dkt. No. 4496] be modified to include GCP Legal Advisors' representation of the New Debtors.

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11. The facts in this Declaration are stated to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, my personal knowledge of GCP Legal Advisors' practices and representation of the Debtors, information learned from my review of relevant documents and/or information supplied to me by other members and employees of GCP Legal Advisors and the results of searches of GCP Legal Advisors' conflict-check database, which system is described in greater detail in the Prior Declarations.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on October 9, 2013.

Richard A. Keffer

EXHIBIT A

Principal Parties in Interest

New Debtors Brody Mining, LLC

Patriot Ventures LLC

Officers and Directors

Charles A. Ebetino, Jr.

Jacquelyn A. Jones

Robert L. Mead

Subsidiaries

Rhino Eastern JV Holding Company LLC

WWMV JV Holding Company LLC

Former Officers, Directors, and Affiliates

Joseph W. Bean

The Brody Trust

Anthony Cline

Clayton Cline

John E. Lushefski

Danny Robinette

Brian Rowe

Mark N. Schroeder

Secured Creditors

Bank of America, N.A.

Citibank, N.A.

Largest Unsecured Creditors

Analabs, Inc.

Industrial Design Products, Inc. Mine Safety & Health Administration

United Bank, Inc.

Wilmington Trust Company

Former Joint-Venture Parties

American Patriot Mining, LLC

Ralph L. Ballard, III

Shawn P. George

Andrew A. Payne, III

James K.T. Payne

Rhino Eastern LLC

Rhino Energy WV LLC

RWMV, LLC

White Stallion Coal LLC

WWMV, LLC

Significant Taxing Authorities

Internal Revenue Service

State of West Virginia