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October 5, 2012

The Honorable Shelly C. Chapman,

I am writing this letter in reference to the Patriot Bankruptcy.

I am a retired coal miner from Patriot Coal. I am a diabetic, have high blood pressure, cholesterol and an iron deficiency that I am being treated for. My wife is a diabetic has high blood pressure, cholesterol and a potassium problem that she is treated for.

If Patriot Coal is allowed to drop our health insurance and pension it would be "devastating" to us. We could lose our home.

I work 20 plus years in the coal mines and thought when I retired I would have the security that my wife and I deserved.

If Patriot Coal is allowed to drop us like a hot potato what will they do to the rest of the active coal miners that are under them?

Their case should be returned to West Virginia where the most people are affected, and not in the state of New York.

I hope you will consider all of the people involved in this case, that have the most to lose and that is the retired coal miners and their families.

"Thank You" for taking the time to read my letter. I hope you can be of service to the people involved in this case besides Patriot Coal. We have so much to lose and nothing to gain

Retired miner.  
Spouse

Thank You Again  
Yours Truly,  
Patrick E. Grimes  
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