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Dear Honorable Kathy A. Surrat-States,

My husband worked for Peabody Coal for 20 years. One of the primary benefits of his employment was "the best" health-care benefits around. My father, brother, brother-in-law and many friends All worked for Peabody. IT was, and still is, that retired employees have healthcare coverage. TO take this away now will cause devastation to many middle class hard working people.

Very few people, (even ones still employed) find buying a direct health care plan is "NOT" affordable. I have a sister and sister in-law whose husbands retired from Peabody and are in their 50's, and will have NO insurance if the promise Peabody made, and is ^{in a} signed contract, is broken.

The fact that rich large corporate executives + their attorney's (who are also very rich) can manipulate the laws by setting up company's to fail, to get out of their obligations to the people who made them rich, is NOT right. Many people will suffer greatly if their courts allow them to do this.

President Obama is trying to help the lower and middle class, and if Peabody wins,

There will be thousands of families nationwide moving to a lower class, which will NOT be helping The economy recover.

We are retired and in 4 years our living expenses have all gone up to the effect we have less and less money to spend on things retired people should be enjoying. Having to buy direct insurance will be another major blow on our budget.

Please put a stop to allowing corporate greed executives taking away benefits promised!

Thank you for your consideration

Respect fully,

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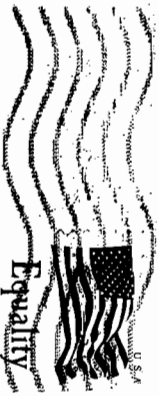
P.S.

There will "NOT" be enough Walmart greater jobs out there to hire all the people effected by this that will be looking for a job to supplement what Peabody is taking away.

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