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Dear Judge Surratt-States,

Your Honor, my name is John A. Beveridge. I am a 61 yr old Retired Coal Miner who took early retirement 2 yrs ago due to severe Arthritis after 37 yrs as a miner, 20 yrs of which were under the contracts signed by and agreed to by Peabody/Patriot Coal. I am a Vietnam Veteran. I have a wife and a daughter who also depend on benefits which were guaranteed to me after retirement from Patriot Coal Co.'s Fed #2 M.I.C. My monthly retirement income is my livelihood. My Health Insurance is crucial as I have extreme Hypertension, have had 3 mini-strokes, and recurrent battles with Kidneystones. My wife, 60 yrs old, suffers from Hydrocephalus. My daughter, 19, is in good health. I pray that you would understand and appreciate the urgency of and my fellow miners sense in the wake of Patriot Coal's intent to take away our benefits. We have worked all our lives and at our age it is "criminal" to sink us into bankruptcy at our ages when there would be no way for us to re-support ourselves, not for those who depend upon us to get support we owe to them.

Your Honor, please consider our position as productive citizens who have kept up our obligations.

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With Respect,
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