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Honorable Kathy Surratt,

I'm writing this letter in hopes the right decision is made about Patriot Coal. I started working for Arnes Steel in 1980 and had planned on retiring with them. They sold out to Peabody Coal but I got to keep my time. I had (10 yrs). Peabody sold to Massey but I worked as a contracted until 2001. I had an injury and became disabled and when I reached 55 I got to get my retirement from Peabody not Patriot Coal. My checks not much but it sure helps to pay on bills, food or whatever I need.

My husband has worked all his life around coal mines and he just needs 3 more yrs. to be able to quit and retire. If this isn't fixed, he won't be able to and that's not right or fair for everyone that has worked for this.

My husbands Aunt depends on this check to survive and she's 80 yrs. old. The men and women that has worked for their retirement deserves more.

Peabody Coal and Arch Coal should be made to do their share so Patriot can get back on their feet. I hope you'll consider this because it's only fair for everyone that has worked all their life so they can someday retire and enjoy life.

Sincerely
Linda Buchanan
A Miners Wife

P.S.

If we loose our benefits, I can't have my knee surgery or we can't afford our medicines. Please help everyone.

Thank you

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