



January 16, 2013

The Honorable Kathy A. Surratt-States
Re: Case No. 12-51502
Thomas F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse
111 South 10th Street, 4th Floor
St. Louis, MO 63102

Your Honor,

I am writing this letter in regards to the bankruptcy lawsuit that Patriot Coal Company is filing as a way to opt out on their promises to United Mine Workers.

My late husband, Larry J. Jessee, worked for Peabody Coal Lynnville Mine until it was shut down in 1999. He worked there for thirty years. He was a reliable, honest employee who was promised lifetime health benefits for himself and his widow. Larry was diagnosed with acute myloid leukemia in June 2001 and passed away six weeks later.

I have been blessed and am grateful for the health coverage that has been provided for me. I am now 73 years old and in good health. I am counting on Peabody Coal to do the honest thing and honor the promises that were made to Larry and all the other hard working miners who mined and are still mining the coal to supply power for the greatest nation on earth. It would be devastating to me and all others who are counting on these benefits that they earned with years of hard work.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharon M. Jessee".

Sharon M. Jessee

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