

January 15, 2013

The Honorable Kathy A. Surratt-States
RE: Case No. 12-51502

I am writing this letter in honor of my father-in-law Harold C. Johnson.

He worked for Peabody Coal for 27 years at Vogue mines in Muhlenberg county in Ky. He was a strip mine employee, working in the blazing heat and the bitter cold winters. But he was a devoted husband and wonderful father to two boys (who were also coal miners.) And driven to provide a good living for his family.

~~He was so delighted and thankful to finally get employment with Peabody~~ after countless trips that he never complained. For many years he worked 7 days a week. I dare say there wasn't a more honorable or reliable employee.

At the young age of 53 Vogue closed, leaving Pap with the promise of receiving his cherished health care as a lifetime option and a small pension. I cannot count the times I have heard Pap and his wife Nancy express thanks for their health care. They called it their "gold card", not to misuse or exploit but to have access to good medical care and not go bankrupt.

Our Pap passed away on August 11, 2012 leaving behind his cherished wife of 62 years, Nancy.

Now with his passing if Nan were to lose her health care coverage it would be catastrophic for her. Please take into consideration the devastation this would create for countless families. Make Patriot Coal Corporation uphold the health care obligations that these hard working individuals were promised for themselves and their dependents.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Nancy Johnson
Bonnie Johnson

The Johnson Family
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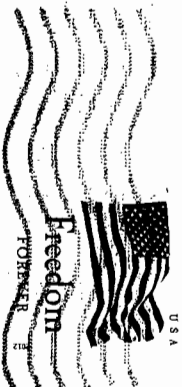
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