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DEAR HONORABLE KATHY A. SULLIVAN, U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT, DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

My NAME IS RALPH HENNECKE.

IM A RETIREE OF PEABODY COAL COMPANY.
I STARTED WORKING FOR PEABODY IN 1975
AT THE AGE OF NINETEEN. I WORKED FOR
FOUR PEABODY MINES FOR THE NEXT TWENTY-
FIVE YEARS. AS ONE MINE WOULD CLOSE
I WOULD MOVE TO THE NEXT MINE UNTIL
THE END OF 1999 WHEN HAWTHORN MINE
CLOSED DOWN. SINCE THERE WERE NO
MORE UNION MINES IN INDIANA TO GO TO
I TOOK THE FULL RETIREMENT OFFERED
TO ME BY PEABODY. I STARTED DRAWING
MY PENSION WITH THE AGREEMENT THAT
WHEN I TURNED FIFTY-FIVE I WOULD
RECEIVE MY MEDICAL BENEFITS UNTIL
DEATH. NOW IT SEEMS PEABODY DOES
NOT WANT TO HONOR THEIR OBLIGATION
TO THEIR RETIREES AND WIDOWS. I
KNOW THAT PEABODY HAS PROMISED ITS
COMPANY PERSONAL THAT THIS WILL NOT
AFFECT THEM, AS MY FATHER IS A
RETIRED SUPERVISOR FOR PEABODY.

I HAVE BEEN MARRIED FOR THIRTY-SIX
YEARS TO A WONDERFUL WOMAN WHO HAS
RAISED THREE SONS WHILE I WORKED
SIX AND SEVEN DAYS A WEEK TO

EARN A LIVING AND PREPARE FOR
RETIREMENT. MY WIFE HAS HAD
BACK SURGERY TWICE AND NOW NEEDS
ANOTHER ONE. SHE HAS DIABETES AND
KIDNEY PROBLEMS. I FELL THIRTY FEET
BACK IN 2007. I SHATTERED BOTH ANKLES,
FRACTURED ONE LEG, AND DAMAGED MY
BACK. I ALSO HAVE HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE.
IF WE LOSE OUR HEALTH INSURANCE,
AT MY AGE AND HEALTH, IT WOULD
DEVASTATE US. SO IM BEGGING YOU
TO PLEASE CONSIDER THE CONSEQUENCES
DENING INSURANCE TO THOUSANDS OF
PEOPLE WILL HAVE ON THEM IF YOU
DECIDE AGAINST US.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND
MAY GOD BLESS YOU.

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