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U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

To: The Honorable Kathy A. Surratt-States
Re: Case No. 12-51509
James J. Teglston U.S. Courthouse
St. Louis, Missouri

Honorable Judge Surratt-States

My name is Mildred Angelina Anderson, I am now 82 years of age, living (or attempting to) on a small Social Security benefit, and my deceased husband's Coal Miners Pension. I live in a small house in rural Southern Illinois.

I am a life-long resident of this rural area. My husband was a coal miner here, in this area, for about forty (40) years. My oldest son, has been a coal miner, in this area, for about thirty-seven (37) years.

My husband's name is Lawrence Gerald Anderson. My husband was a W.W. 99 (WW 2) Army veteran, who enlisted to serve this country. My husband Lawrence died as a result of Black Lung disease. In addition to being a proud, honest, hardworking Coal Miner, Ernest, also farmed and raised cattle, to care for our family. Ernest began his coal mining, under the Union leadership of John L. Lewis.

My husband, and also my son, Darrell Ray Anderson, have been hardworking, honest, God-fearing family men. Both my husband, and my son, work with the ethics of giving their employer, an honest days work, for an honest days pay!

Both my husband, and my son, live by the moral ethics of holding their word, as their solemn bond, or oath. With a hard shake to seal their word!

Due to my age, and physical conditions, I have come to rely on both the small Pension, awarded to my late husband - and also his good, Medical care benefits.

Part of the agreement/contract, that my husband worked for, was after his retirement, both my husband, and myself, would receive life-long medical benefits and his Coal Miners Pension.

I am a plain, "no frills," country girl. I worked many of my 82 years as both a housewife/mother, as well as a farm hand, helping my husband, to care for our three children. My life started before the numerous modern day conveniences - so many take for granted, today! My husband, and I - did start out with out inside toilet facilities, and indoor plumbing, & electricity.

My husband did work hard, and honestly for his mine employers. And his belief was that at the end of his life, the hard work that he had done over the many years - would at last leave us, with wealth in excess, and his small Miners Pension.

My husband, Gerald, left this life, believing that his hard work, and the benefits he had worked for, would be there for us. It is now that Peabody Coal, has decided to try to abandon, the contract/agreement, that my husband and son, (as so many other Coal Miners) worked for, believing that if their word was good, honest, and binding - the Coal Company's word, would also be binding.

We all know that America, is not in the best Moral, or Financial condition, it could be in. A lot of the financial hardship, that America, and we the People, American Citizens are under today, is directly due to bankers, and financiers, breaking their contract/agreements.

Far too many Honest, Law-Abiding, Coal Miners (both Men and Women) have died as a result of Black Lung, or other Mining related Diseases, and/or Accidents.

We have learned in schools, and still bring up our American Children to believe that a man's word is his bond, and that a business contract is a binding bond of a Companies word.

Please do not allow Peabody/Patriot Coal to leave the retirees with no medical or financial, life preserver. Make Peabody stand good for their word.

Thank you

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May God Bless us all

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