



February 12, 2013

The Honorable Kathy A. Surrat-States
Thomas F. Eagleton U. S. Courthouse
111 South 10th Street, 4th Floor
St. Louis, MO 63102

RE: Case #12-51502

Dear Judge Surrat-States:

I am writing this letter on behalf of my dad, Horace L. Brown. My dad was a hard worker in the coal mines and always provided for his family, now at the age of 75, after 42 years in the coal mines, he and my mother, who are not in good health, have to worry whether they are going to lose his pension and health insurance that he was promised. I don't know what they, and all the other retirees and widows, will do if they lose their pension and insurance. I am sure that most, if not all, cannot live on Social Security alone and most are not physically able to return to work.

I am asking that you do not let Peabody, Arch, and Patriot Coal out of their obligations that they *promised*. My dad and other miners made these companies rich and now they want to forget them. You must make them be responsible for their obligations.

Sincerely,



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