To The Honorable Kathy A.Surratt States,

I have been a coal miner since 1976.I and many of my fellow miners have worked for Peobody Coal in this poverty strickened area all of our life on and off because of lay off after layoff.This company like all coal companies at one time mined the earth here and left it a barron ground with no value. We worked for this company for less money on the hour in return to have a small pension and health benefits in our later years. We would sign a contract for 3 years at a time with a small raise in the 3 years if that just to have these benefits. Since the company has left and these

underground miners have become older their health has deteriorated dramatically and without healthcare that they worked for they might have less years due to inadequate health care.

Promises that Peobody Coal Company gave to all these miners so they would work for less money should be kept.Forming companies under the Peobody umbrella to take the mining obligations over and to make them fell should not be allowed, with this company or any other company.

welfare of these men and women.

Please consider the health and

Thank You,

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