

Honorable Kathy A. Sorvatt-States:

Thank you for taking time to read this letter.

I have over 40 years service with Peabody coal. I never worked for Patriot coal. I am 72 yrs. old & retired in 2002. My wife is 71 & we are in good health so far.

Our social security & pension benefits allow us a good retirement. However, if we lose our secondary insurance with Peabody or Patriot coal, a major hospital expense could be devastating to our security.

Thank you for your time and consideration! Much is riding on your ruling.

Best Regards

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