

Joinder Objection Deadline: August 31, 2012
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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

In re:

PATRIOT COAL CORPORATION, *et al.*,

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 12-12900 (SCC)

(Jointly Administered)

**JOINDER OF NELSON BROTHERS, LLC TO THE DEBTORS' OBJECTION
TO UNITED MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA'S MOTION TO TRANSFER THE
CASE TO THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA**

Nelson Brothers, LLC ("**Nelson Brothers**") through its undersigned counsel hereby joins in the Debtors' Objection (the "**Objection**") to the United Mine Workers of America's Motion to Transfer the Case to the Southern District of West Virginia [ECF No. 116] (the "**Motion**") and states as follows:

1. Nelson Brothers is a party in interest in the above-captioned cases pursuant to its status as a creditor of the Debtors. Nelson Brothers and the Debtors are parties to that certain Explosives Sales and Services Contract dated January 1, 2010, as amended by a First Amendment to Explosives Sales and Services Contract dated January 1, 2012, pursuant to which Nelson Brothers supplies the Debtors with explosives products and services for its mining operations.

2. As set forth in detail in the Objection, United Mine Workers of America have filed the Motion seeking to transfer venue of these cases from the Southern District of New York to the Southern District of West Virginia. Nelson Brothers hereby objects to the Motion on the grounds raised and asserted in the Objection, and supports venue of these cases in the Southern District of New York.

WHEREFORE, Nelson Brothers respectfully requests that the Court enter an order (i) denying the Motion and (ii) granting such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

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Dated: August 30, 2012

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Joinder of Nelson Brothers, LLC was filed and served electronically on all subscribed parties via the Court's ECF system on this 30th day of August, 2012.

/s/ Scott Budzenski