UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

In re:

PATRIOT COAL CORPORATION, et al.,

Debtors.

Chapter 11 Case No. 12-51502-659 (Jointly Administered)

Re: ECF No. 4624, 4625

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS TO RETAIN H5 AS ORDINARY COURSE PROFESSIONALS

Upon consideration of the Application and Motion for Entry of Stipulated Order Authorizing the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors to Retain H5 as Ordinary Course Professionals [ECF No. 4624] and the Stipulated Order Authorizing the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors to Retain H5 as Ordinary Course Professionals attached thereto [ECF No. 4624, Ex. A] (together, the "Application"); and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Application and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334; and consideration of the Application and the requested relief being a core proceeding that the Bankruptcy Court can determine pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and due and proper notice of the Application having been given in accordance with the Order Establishing Certain Notice, Case Management and Administrative Procedures entered on March 22, 2013 [ECF No. 3361]; and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and the Court having reviewed the Application; and a hearing having been held before this Court to consider the Application on September 24, 2013 (the "Hearing"); and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before the Court; and subject to the conditions announced at the Hearing; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefore;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT

- The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors is hereby authorized to retain H5 to provide expert search and data management services, at a rate not to exceed three hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$385) per hour.
- 2. The retention of H5 shall be subject to the same terms and limitations as those applicable to "Ordinary Course Professionals" retained by the Debtors under the Order Authorizing the Debtors to Employ Ordinary Course Professionals, *Nunc Pro Tunc* to the Petition Date [ECF No. 263]. Motion to Expedite Hearing is Granted.

KATHY A. SURRATT-STATES
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge

DATED: September 26, 2013 St. Louis, Missouri

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