Hearing Date and Time: September 11, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. (Prevailing Eastern Time)
Objection Deadline: August 24, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. (Prevailing Eastern Time)
Reply and Objection Joinder Deadline: August 29, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. (Prevailing Eastern Time)

## 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 MINE EQUIPMENT & MILL SUPPLY CO. TO THE DEBTORS' OBJECTION TO (i) MOTION OF THE UNITED MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA TO TRANSFER THE CASE TO THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA AND (ii) SURETIES' MOTION TO TRANSFER JOINTLY ADMINISTERED CASES TO SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

Mine Equipment & Mill Supply Co. through its undersigned counsel hereby submits this Joinder to the Debtors' Objection (the "Objection") to: (i) the Motion of the United Mine Workers of America Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1412 and Rule 1014 to Transfer the Case to the Southern District of West Virginia [Dkt. Nos. 116, 127]; and (ii) the Sureties' Motion to Transfer Jointly Administered Cases to Southern District of West Virginia [Dkt. No. 287] (together, the "Motions"). In support of the Joinder, Mine Equipment & Mill Supply Co. respectfully submit as follows:

1. Mine Equipment & Mill Supply Co. is a party in interest in the above-captioned cases pursuant to its status as a vendor of the Debtors. Mine Equipment & Mill Supply Co. has provided and will continue to provide blasting services to Patriot's coal mines in western Kentucky.

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2. As set forth in detail in the Objection, the United Mine Workers of America (the "Union") and Argonaut Insurance Company, Indemnity National Insurance Company, US Specialty Insurance, and Westchester Fire Insurance Company (together, the "Sureties") have filed the Motions seeking to transfer venue of these cases from the Southern District of New York to the Southern District of West Virginia. Mine Equipment & Mill Supply Co. hereby objects to the Motions on the grounds raised and asserted in the Objection, and supports venue of these cases in the Southern District of New York.

WHEREFORE, Mine Equipment & Mill Supply Co. respectfully requests that the Court enter an order (i) denying the Motions and (ii) granting such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Dated: August 28, 2012

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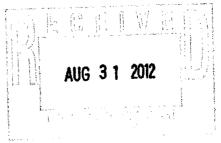
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Dear Ms. Boyle,

Enclosed herewith please find (i) a hard copy and (ii) a [CD ROM/ Floppy disk] containing an electronic version of my clients' joinder to the Debtors Objection to the Motion of the United Mine Workers of America Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1412 and Rule 1014, Fed. R. Bankr. Proc., to Transfer the Case to the Southern District of West Virginia [ECF No. 127]. I would be grateful if you could please file the enclosed joinder on my client's behalf.

Dated: Louisville, Kentucky August 28, 2012

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