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Honorable Shelley C. Chapman,

I am writing on behalf of my husband, a retiree of Peabody Coal. He retired in 1991 and was in District 12. He is 84 yrs old and we implore you to consider what the consequent of losing our health benefits would be for us. These benefits were promised in an agreement, many years ago, and he paid faithfully during his working years. He has health issues as do I, at 73, that we just could not pay for with our S.S. check & retirement check. I'm sure many others do also.

We had a life insurance policy, Mutual Benefit Life Ins, that we had paid into for many years; we had to give it up as it too had been in bankruptcy. The monthly (as semi monthly) fees went up so high as to become impossible for us to afford. I don't understand how contracts such as Patriot Coal or our former life insurance can just be broken! This is so unfair. Promises and agreements should be kept. Please honor us with your judgement for the workers of Peabody Coal. Thank you, for your considerations.

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