EXHIBIT 8



April 11, 2013

Mr. Mickey Luna Vice President - Human Resources and Employee Services Patriot Coal Services, LLC 12312 Olive Boulevard, Suite 400 St. Louis, MO 63141

Dear Mickey:

Based on our recent discussions, I wanted to confirm our findings related to out of network claims for the union active hourly group. After internal analytical analysis, we have concluded that all utilization was completed and adjudicated within the network. In other words there were no "out of network" claims processed, including paper claims. The primary contributing factor to this superb utilization of in network claims is the expansive network of "in network" pharmacies throughout the country. As you know, we have more than 65,000 pharmacies in the national network.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

Sincerely,

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Craig H. Sanders Director, Strategic Accounts