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February 1, 2023

The Honorable ()
West Virginia Senate
Main Capital Complex
Charleston WV 25311

Dear Senator/Delegate ():

I am writing to acquaint you with ABC Coal Company and our operations within your Senatorial District.

ABC Coal is a Charleston based coal company with three (3) mining operations in two West Virginia counties. We operate 2 underground mines in Kanawha County and 1 surface mine in Boone County. The coal from these operations is predominately steam coal under contract with several instate end users and electric generating utilities.

All told, we have over 750 employees, 500 hourly and 250 salaried. We also paid over \$\$\$ in severance taxes last year and almost \$\$\$ in additional wages and over \$\$\$ to a variety of vendors and local businesses. We are a part of West Virginia's #50,000 Strong coal community.

We are very interested in coal and energy legislation affecting our industry and our operations. We will be contacting your office from time to time as future legislative initiatives are advance for consideration. (optional) For your awareness we oppose SB 188 that gives natural gas operations advantages over coal based electric facilities and are for SB 157, 171, and 168 to incentivize greater coal production and consequently great economic output for our state.

We are also active members of the West Virginia Coal Association and coordinate our legislative program with their organization.

Thank you for your interest in coal and energy issues and their impact to our state. If you have any questions or have reason at some point in the future to call upon us, pls give () or me a call at ().

Sincerely, ()



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