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RE: Opinion of Trustees Resolution of Dispute Case No. <u>109</u>

Pursuant to Article IX of the UMWA 1950 Benefit Plan and Trust, and under the authority of an exemption granted by the United States Department of Labor, the Trustees have received the question of payment for x-ray services provided by a chiropractor. Their opinion is issued in Question and Answer form as follows:

Subject: X-Rays, Chiropractor

Reference: Employers Benefit Plan Article III, A(3)(p) 1

<u>Question</u>: Are x-ray services provided by a chiropractor covered under an Employer's Benefit Plan established pursuant to Article XX(C)(3) of the National Bituminous Coal Wage Agreement of 1978?

<u>Answer</u>: Pursuant to Article III, Section $A_{,(3)}(p)$ 1 of the Employer's Benefit Plan, services rendered by a chiropractor are not covered benefits. Therefore, x-ray services provided by a chiropractor would not be a covered benefit.