



10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

23 October 1984

Dear Mr. Edwards,

Peter Walker has been keeping me informed of the efforts you and your colleagues have been making to keep coal moving during the current dispute. I have been greatly impressed with the way movements have not only been maintained but have even increased in recent weeks. Movement of 911,000 tonnes last week was a fantastic achievement.

I know that you personally have devoted yourself to this task with great determination. May I therefore express my gratitude to you and your colleagues for the enormously long hours you have been working and the ingenuity you have shown in keeping coal moving. The nation is indebted to you for what you have done to enable our economy to be kept at work.

Yours sincerely  
Margaret Thatcher

Malcolm Edwards, Esq.

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