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Labor Secretary Elizabeth Dole named a mediator to help resolve the lengthy labor dispute between the United Mine Workers and Pittston Co . (ACT-arg) PAT-arg W.J. Usery Jr. , labor secretary during the Ford administration , was named to mediate talks to settle the six-month strike by the UMW . ACT-arg Previous talks between Pittston , of Greenwich , Conn. , and the union have been sporadic and unsuccessful . (ACT-arg)

