

PEABODY ENERGY CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 ENGELHARDT IRL F

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 701 MARKET STREET
 (Street)
 ST. LOUIS, MO 63101-1826
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PEABODY ENERGY CORP [BTU]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 03/22/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	03/22/2007		M		50 A \$ 20.2625	446,286	I (1) By Family Trust
Common Stock	03/22/2007		M		37,014 A \$ 20.2625	483,300	I (1) By Family Trust
Common Stock	03/22/2007		S(2)		86,964 D \$ 40	396,336	I (1) By Family Trust
Common Stock	03/22/2007		S(2)		100 D \$ 40.02	396,236	I (1) By Family Trust

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Common Stock	33,289 ⁽³⁾	D	
Common Stock	19,519	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock	4,400	I	By Spouse

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.2625	03/22/2007		M	50	01/25/2006 01/25/2015	Common Stock 50
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.2625	03/22/2007		M	37,014	01/25/2007 01/25/2015	Common Stock 37,014

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ENGELHARDT IRL F 701 MARKET STREET ST. LOUIS, MO 63101-1826	X			

Signatures

Irl F. Engelhardt By: Joseph W. Bean,
Attorney-in-Fact

03/26/2007

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Pursuant to the Rule 10b5-1 trading plan referred to in footnote 2, upon exercise of the options the shares are immediately transferred to a family trust.
- (2) This sale was effected pursuant to a pre-existing Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (3) Includes 6,249 shares acquired pursuant to the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (4) Not applicable.
- (5) The numbers reported in this column 9 of Table II do not include an additional 1,246,272 options with different expiration dates and exercise prices.

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