

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)
02/15/2006

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)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 02/15/2006 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 200 D | \$ 86.08 273,718 | I ⁽²⁾ | By Family Trust |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2006 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 800 D | \$ 86.01 272,918 | I ⁽²⁾ | By Family Trust |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2006 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 1,500 D | \$ 85.8 271,418 | I ⁽²⁾ | By Family Trust |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2006 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 300 D | \$ 85.69 271,118 | I ⁽²⁾ | By Family Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | | 16,259 | D ⁽³⁾ | |
| | | | | | 9,711 | I | |

| | | | | | | |
|--------------|-------|---|--|--|--|--------------|
| Common Stock | | | | | | By 401K plan |
| Common Stock | 2,200 | 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

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 02/17/2006

__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) This sale was effected pursuant to a pre-existing Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (2)

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Pursuant to the Rule 10b5-1 trading plan referred to in footnote 1, upon exercise of the options the shares are immediately transferred to a family trust.

- (3) Includes 2,799 shares acquired under the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

Remarks:

Additional transactions from February 15, 2006 were reported on separately filed Form 4s.

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