

PEABODY ENERGY CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FIEHLER SHARON D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

701 MARKET STREET

(Street)

ST. LOUIS, MO 63101

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol

PEABODY ENERGY CORP [BTU]

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

12/04/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	12/04/2007		M ⁽¹⁾		78,398	A	\$ 3.3001	80,383 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007		S ⁽¹⁾		7,600	D	\$ 55.65	72,783 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007		S ⁽¹⁾		600	D	\$ 55.64	72,183 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007		S ⁽¹⁾		500	D	\$ 55.63	71,683 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007		S ⁽¹⁾		800	D	\$ 55.62	70,883 ⁽²⁾	D

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Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 55.61	69,883 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 55.6	68,883 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	1,600	D	\$ 55.59	67,283 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	700	D	\$ 55.58	66,583 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	400	D	\$ 55.57	66,183 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	800	D	\$ 55.56	65,383 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	2,443	D	\$ 55.55	62,940 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	1,600	D	\$ 55.54	61,340 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	3,000	D	\$ 55.53	58,340 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	600	D	\$ 55.52	57,740 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	700	D	\$ 55.51	57,040 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	4,400	D	\$ 55.5	52,640 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	1,800	D	\$ 55.49	50,840 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	1,500	D	\$ 55.48	49,340 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	3,000	D	\$ 55.47	46,340 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	3,155	D	\$ 55.46	43,185 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	6,000	D	\$ 55.45	37,185 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	8,000	D	\$ 55.44	29,185 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/04/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	27,200	D	\$ 55.43	1,985 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Stock						74,468	I

By
Family
LLC

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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 Share
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.3001	12/04/2007		M ⁽¹⁾		78,398		11/19/2007	05/19/2008	Common Stock	78,398

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
FIEHLER SHARON D 701 MARKET STREET ST. LOUIS, MO 63101	EVP - Human Resources & Admin.

Signatures

Sharon D. Fiehler By: Kenneth L. Wagner
Attorney-in-Fact 12/06/2007

__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) This exercise/sale was effected pursuant to a pre-existing Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (2) Includes 1,985 shares held by the reporting person in the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) Does not include an additional 191,779 options with different expiration dates and exercise prices.

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