

Patriot Coal CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 PEABODY INVESTMENTS CORP.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Patriot Coal CORP [PCX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 701 MARKET STREET  
 (Street)  
 ST. LOUIS, MO 63101

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/23/2007

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_X\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting 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)
Common Stock	10/23/2007		J	V	26,570,931 A <u>(1)</u>	26,570,941 D <u>(2)</u>	

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)**

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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 Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PEABODY INVESTMENTS CORP. 701 MARKET STREET ST. LOUIS, MO 63101		X		
PEABODY ENERGY CORP 701 MARKET STREET ST. LOUIS, MO 63101		X		

## Signatures

Alexander C. Schoch, Executive Vice President - Law of Peabody Investments Corp.	10/24/2007
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Alexander C. Schoch, Executive Vice President - Law and Chief Legal Officer of Peabody Energy Corp.	10/24/2007
__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) On October 23, 2007, Patriot Coal Corporation issued an additional 26,570,931 shares of its common stock to its sole stockholder, Peabody Investments Corp., in exchange for the capital stock of 11 subsidiaries of Peabody Investments Corp.
- (2) 26,570,941 shares of common stock of Patriot Coal Corporation are owned beneficially and of record by Peabody Investments Corp. Peabody Energy Corporation is the sole stockholder of Peabody Investments Corp.

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