PEABODY ENERGY CORP

Form 4

December 05, 2007

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

12/03/2007

Stock

See Instruction

FIEHLER SHARON D			Symbol PEABODY ENERGY CORP [BTU]						Issuer				
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction					,	(Check all applicable)			
701 MARKET STREET										Director 10% Owner Symbol Other (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP - Human Resources & Admin.			
		(Street)				Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Cl					g(Check		
ST. LOUIS, MO 63101				Filed(Month/Day/Year)					_X	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non	-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	ion	4. Securitie or Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 a	d of (D		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	12/03/2007			Code V M(1)		Amount 133,548	(D)	Price \$ 3.3001	135,533 (2)	D		
	Common Stock	12/03/2007			S(1)		100	D	\$ 55.78	135,433 (2)	D		
	Common Stock	12/03/2007			S(1)		100	D	\$ 55.73	135,333 (2)	D		
	Common Stock	12/03/2007			S(1)		2,500	D	\$ 55.7	132,833 (2)	D		
	Common	12/03/2007			S (1)		10.200	D	\$ 55.6	122.633 ⁽²⁾	D		

 $S^{(1)}$

10,200

D

\$ 55.6

122,633 (2)

D

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Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	500	D	\$ 55.59	122,133 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	500	D	\$ 55.57	121,633 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	1,000	D	\$ 55.56	120,633 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	900	D	\$ 55.55	119,733 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	1,100	D	\$ 55.54	118,633 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	1,900	D	\$ 55.53	116,733 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	1,900	D	\$ 55.52	114,833 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	6,300	D	\$ 55.51	108,533 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	10,300	D	\$ 55.5	98,233 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	1,300	D	\$ 55.49	96,933 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	1,400	D	\$ 55.48	95,533 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	1,200	D	\$ 55.47	94,333 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	3,000	D	\$ 55.46	91,333 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	2,700	D	\$ 55.45	88,633 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	200	D	\$ 55.44	88,433 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	800	D	\$ 55.43	87,633 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	15,000	D	\$ 55.43	72,633 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 55.54	72,533 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	1,400	D	\$ 55.52	71,133 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	6,000	D	\$ 55.51	65,133 (2)	D
	12/03/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 55.49	64,933 (2)	D

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Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 55.48 64,833 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 55.47 64,733 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	12,698	D	\$ 55.45 52,035 (2)	D
Common Stock	12/03/2007	S(1)	400	D	\$ 55.38 51,635 (2)	D

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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	Amour Numbe Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.3001	12/03/2007		M <u>(1)</u>		133,548	11/19/2007	05/19/2008	Common Stock	133,5

Reporting Owners

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

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Date

Signatures

Sharon D. Fiehler By: Kenneth L. Wagner
Attorney-in-Fact
12/05/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

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.

Remarks:

1 of 2 Form 4s - Additional transactions from December 3, 2007 are reported on a separate Form 4.

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