PEABODY ENERGY CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ENGELHARDT IRL F			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PEABODY ENERGY CORP [BTU]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
701 MARKE	T STREET		(Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2006	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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ST. LOUIS, MO 63101-1826				Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (E) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/15/2006		Code V $S_{\underline{(1)}}$	Amount 200		Price \$ 86.08	(Instr. 3 and 4) 273,718	I (2)	By Family Trust
Common Stock	02/15/2006		S <u>(1)</u>	800	D	\$ 86.01	272,918	I (2)	By Family Trust
Common Stock	02/15/2006		S <u>(1)</u>	1,500	D	\$ 85.8	271,418	I (2)	By Family Trust
Common Stock	02/15/2006		S <u>(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 85.69	271,118	I (2)	By Family Trust
Common Stock							16,259	D (3)	
							9,711	I	

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Common	By 401K
Stock	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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. ionNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	S	ate	7. Tit Amou Under Secur (Instr	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	7 (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Topolong o mior rumo / rumoss	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

**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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