

FIEHLER SHARON D
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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 *
FIEHLER SHARON D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PEABODY ENERGY CORP [BTU]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
701 MARKET STREET

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/03/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP - Human Resources & Admin.

ST. LOUIS, MO 63101

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Table with 12 columns: (Instr. 3), Price of Derivative Security, (Month/Day/Year), (Instr. 8), Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5), Code, V, (A), (D), Date Exercisable, Expiration Date, Title, Amount or Number of Shares. Rows include Employee Stock Option (right to buy) with price \$86.2 and expiration 01/02/2016.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Includes FIEHLER SHARON D with relationship EVP - Human Resources & Admin.

Signatures

Sharon D. Fiehler by Joseph W. Bean, Attorney-in-Fact 01/05/2006

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) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on January 3, 2007.
(2) The numbers reported in this column 9 of Table II do not include an additional 164,154 options with different expiration dates and exercise prices.
(3) The options vest on January 3, 2009.

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