LENTZ HENRY E Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

01/03/2011

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LENTZ HENRY E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			PEABODY ENERGY CORP [BTU]					(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (N	Middle)	3. Date of	Earliest Ti	an	isaction						
	(Month/Day/Year)						_X_ Director		6 Owner			
LAZARD FRERES & CO. LLC, 30			01/03/2011						Officer (giv		er (specify	
ROCKEFEL							below)	below)				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)						Applicable Line)					
NEWLYNORI							_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
NEW YORK							Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-E)er	rivative S	ecuri	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	e 2A. Dee	emed	3.		4. Securit	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution	on Date, if	Transacti	ion	Acquired	(A) o	r	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any		Code		Disposed	of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/	Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
									Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
							(A)		Reported			
							or		Transaction(s)			
				Code V	7	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common	01/03/2011			Δ		1,860	Δ	\$0	14 621	D		

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)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LENTZ HENRY E LAZARD FRERES & CO. LLC 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10020	X						

Signatures

Henry E. Lentz By: Kenneth L. Wagner

Attorney-in-Fact 01/04/2011

**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) Represent deferred stock units that vest prorata over 12 months, and are converted into common stock at a later date based upon the reporting person's election.

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