

PEABODY ENERGY CORP

Form 4

February 18, 2005

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**WALCOTT ROGER B JR**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

701 MARKET STREET

(Street)

ST. LOUIS, MO 63101-1826

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

PEABODY ENERGY CORP [BTU]

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

02/18/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

EVP - Corporate Development

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/18/2005		M		4,964	A	\$ 26.86	24,659 <sup>(1)</sup>	I By Trust
Common Stock	02/18/2005		M		4,739	A	\$ 29.19	29,398 <sup>(1)</sup>	I By Trust
Common Stock	02/18/2005		M		3,397	A	\$ 41.95	32,795 <sup>(1)</sup>	I By Trust
Common Stock	02/18/2005		S		13,100	D	\$ 93.0023	19,695 <sup>(1)</sup>	I By Trust

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. 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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.86	02/18/2005		M		4,964		01/15/2005	01/14/2012	Common Stock	4,964
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.19	02/18/2005		M		4,739		01/02/2005	01/01/2013	Common Stock	4,739
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 41.95	02/18/2005		M		3,397		01/02/2005	01/01/2014	Common Stock	3,397

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WALCOTT ROGER B JR 701 MARKET STREET ST. LOUIS, MO 63101-1826			EVP - Corporate Development	

## Signatures

Roger B. Walcott, Jr. by Joseph W. Bean,  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/18/2005

\_\_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) Does not include 5,423 shares held directly (including 3,423 shares acquired pursuant to the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan).

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