

PEABODY ENERGY CORP
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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 *
 NAVARRE RICHARD A

(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)
 04/21/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP and CFO

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 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	(D)	Price	
Common Stock	04/21/2006		M		19,414	A	\$ 7.2975	101,130 ⁽¹⁾ D ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	04/21/2006		M		10,586	A	\$ 10.4875	111,716 ⁽¹⁾ D ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	04/21/2006		S ⁽³⁾		2,200	D	\$ 63.65	109,516 ⁽¹⁾ I ⁽²⁾ By Trust
Common Stock	04/21/2006		S ⁽³⁾		27,800	D	\$ 63.47	81,716 ⁽¹⁾ I ⁽²⁾ By Trust
Common Stock								7,501 ⁽¹⁾ D ⁽⁴⁾

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- (1) Amounts have been adjusted to reflect the 2-for-1 stock split effected by the Company in February 2006.
- (2) Pursuant to the Rule 10b5-1 trading plan referred to in footnote 3, upon exercise of the options the shares are immediately transferred to a family trust.
- (3) This sale was effected pursuant to a pre-existing Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (4) Shares held pursuant to the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (5) The number of outstanding stock options and exercise prices have been adjusted to reflect the 2-for-1 stock split effected by the Company in February 2006.
- (6) Not applicable.
- (7) The numbers reported in this Column 9 of Table II do not include an additional 547,848 options with different expiration dates and exercise prices.

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