TOUHILL BLANCHE M

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TOUHILL BLANCHE M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PEABODY ENERGY CORP [BTU]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

(Check all applicable)

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

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O PEABODY ENERGY CORPORATION, 701 MARKET **STREET**

(State)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

A

01/05/2009

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

D

ST. LOUIS, MO 63101

(City)

Common

Stock

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

(1)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(A) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price (D)

Code V Amount

(Month/Day/Year)

3.353 \$0 41,727

01/05/2009

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TOUHILL BLANCHE M

C/O PEABODY ENERGY CORPORATION 701 MARKET STREET ST. LOUIS, MO 63101

X

Signatures

Blanche M. Touhill By: Kenneth L. Wagner Attorney-in-Fact

01/07/2009

**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 stock units that vest on January 5, 2010.

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