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Form 8-K  
March 19, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) March 19, 2004

PEABODY ENERGY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware  | 1-16463   | 13-4004153                             |
| (State or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation or organization) | (Commission<br>File Number)                                       | I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |
| 701 Market Street, St. Louis, Missouri                            |   | 63101                                  |
| (Address of principal executive offices)                          |   | (Zip Code)                             |
| Registrant's telephone number, including area code                | (314) 342-3400  |  |
|   | N/A   |  |
|   | (Former name or former address,<br>if changed since last report.) |  |

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#### Item 5. Other Events.

Peabody Energy Corporation (the "Company") is filing two Forms T-1 to designate U.S. Bank National Association to act as an eligible trustee under the Company's Senior Indenture and Subordinated Indenture, forms of which were filed as exhibits 4.199 and 4.200, respectively, to the Company's registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-109906) dated October 22, 2003 (the "Registration Statement"). Such Forms T-1 are attached as exhibits 25.1 and 25.2 hereto, and are hereby incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement.

#### Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

See the Exhibit Index at page 4 of this report.

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#### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 19, 2004

PEABODY ENERGY CORPORATION

/s/ RICHARD A. NAVARRE

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Richard A. Navarre  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

The exhibits below are numbered in accordance with the Exhibit Table of Item 601 of Regulation S-K.

| Exhibit No.<br>----- | Description of Exhibit<br>-----   |
|----------------------|---|
| Exhibit 25.1         | Statement of Eligibility of U.S. Bank National Association on Form T-1 under the Trust Indenture Act, relating to Senior Debt Securities of Peabody Energy Corporation.       |
| Exhibit 25.2         | Statement of Eligibility of U.S. Bank National Association on Form T-1 under the Trust Indenture Act, relating to Subordinated Debt Securities of Peabody Energy Corporation. |