

Williamson Kemal
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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|---|----------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â Williamson Kemal | | (Month/Day/Year) | PEABODY ENERGY CORP [BTU] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| | | 11/15/2012 | | |
| 701 MARKET STREET | | | (Check all applicable) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| | (Street) | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| ST. LOUIS,Â MOÂ 63101-1826 | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | (give title below) (specify below) | |
| | | | President - Americas | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 46,270 ⁽¹⁾ | D | Â |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of | |

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| | | | | Shares | | (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------|--------------|--------|------------|-------------------|---|
| Option (Right to Buy) | 01/03/2009 | 01/03/2016 | Common Stock | 24,572 | \$ 39.8143 | D | Â |
| Option (Right to Buy) | 01/03/2010 | 01/03/2017 | Common Stock | 8,564 | \$ 34.9553 | D | Â |
| Option (Right to Buy) | 01/02/2009 ⁽²⁾ | 01/02/2018 | Common Stock | 15,751 | \$ 62.72 | D | Â |
| Option (Right to Buy) | 01/05/2011 ⁽³⁾ | 01/05/2019 | Common Stock | 21,549 | \$ 26.84 | D | Â |
| Option (Right to Buy) | 01/04/2011 ⁽⁴⁾ | 01/04/2020 | Common Stock | 16,354 | \$ 47.87 | D | Â |
| Option (Right to Buy) | 01/03/2012 ⁽⁵⁾ | 01/03/2021 | Common Stock | 12,760 | \$ 64.52 | D | Â |
| Option (Right to Buy) | 01/03/2013 ⁽⁶⁾ | 01/03/2022 | Common Stock | 11,986 | \$ 36.27 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Williamson Kemal 701 MARKET STREET ST. LOUIS, MO 63101-1826 | Â | Â | Â President - Americas | Â |

Signatures

Kemal Williamson By: Kenneth L. Wagner
Attorney-in-Fact 11/20/2012

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Includes 10,844 shares from a restricted stock award that vests on December 31, 2012 and 2,989 shares that are held by the reporting person in the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning January 2, 2009.
- (3) The options vest in two equal annual installments beginning January 5, 2011.
- (4) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning January 4, 2011.
- (5) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning January 3, 2012.
- (6) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning January 3, 2013.

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