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Form 8-K January 22, 2014

UNITED STATES 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)

January 15, 2014

PEABODY ENERGY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-16463 13-4004153

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

incorporation or organization)

701 Market Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63101-1826 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 314-342-3400

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Item 1.04. Mine Safety - Reporting of Shutdowns and Patterns of Violation.

On January 15, 2014, Peabody Powder River Mining, LLC, a subsidiary of Peabody Energy Corporation, was issued an imminent danger order under section 107(a) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977. The mine involved was the North Antelope Rochelle Mine located near Gillette, Wyoming. On that date, an inspector from the Mine Safety and Health Administration alleged that excess coal accumulations and coal dust were present in an area within a crusher facility where "hot work" was being conducted. Management immediately implemented corrective measures and within five hours the order was terminated and the affected area was released to the mine for normal activities.

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SIGNATURES

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.

PEABODY ENERGY CORPORATION

January 21, 2014

By: /s/ Kenneth L. Wagner Name: Kenneth L. Wagner

Title: Vice President, Assistant General

Counsel and Assistant Secretary

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