

PEABODY ENERGY CORP  
Form 8-K  
November 23, 2016

**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): November 23, 2016**

**PEABODY ENERGY CORPORATION**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction**

**of Incorporation)**

**701 Market Street, St. Louis, Missouri**

**1-16463**  
**(Commission**

**File Number)**

**13-4004153**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**

**Identification No.)**

**63101-1826**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(ZIP Code)

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

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement**

As previously disclosed, on April 13, 2016 (the Petition Date ), Peabody Energy Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the Company ) and a majority of the Company s wholly owned domestic subsidiaries, as well as one international subsidiary in Gibraltar (collectively with the Company, the Debtors ), filed voluntary petitions under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the U.S. Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Missouri (the Bankruptcy Court ). The Debtors Chapter 11 cases (collectively, the Chapter 11 Cases ) are being jointly administered under the caption In re Peabody Energy Corporation, et al., Case No. 16-42529.

On November 23, 2016, the Bankruptcy Court approved a stipulation filed by the Company (Docket No. 1662) relating to an amendment to the Company s Superpriority Secured Debtor-In-Possession Credit Agreement (as amended from time to time, the DIP Credit Agreement ). While the DIP Credit Agreement contains certain milestone events relating to the Chapter 11 Cases, the amendment to the DIP Credit Agreement approved by the Bankruptcy Court (the DIP Amendment ) removes any deadline by which the Bankruptcy Court must enter an order determining the CNTA Issues (as defined in the DIP Credit Agreement prior to giving effect to the DIP Amendment).

The foregoing description of the DIP Amendment is qualified in its entirety by reference to Amendment No. 5 to Superpriority Secured Debtor-In-Possession Credit Agreement, by and among the Company, Peabody Global Funding, LLC and certain Debtors parties thereto as guarantors, the lenders party thereto and Citibank, N.A., as administrative agent, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits.

**Exhibit  
Number**

**Description**

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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**

*November 23, 2016*

By: /s/ A. Verona Dorch  
Name: A. Verona Dorch  
Title: Chief Legal Officer

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