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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the	he Securities	Exchange A	ct of 1934
Date of Report (Date of earliest ever	nt reported)	OCTOBER	16, 2002
PEABODY E	NERGY CORPORA	TION	
(Exact name of registra	nt as specifi	ed in its c	harter)
DELAWARE	1-16463		13-4004153
(State or other jurisdiction of (Conincorporation or organization)	mmission File	Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
701 MARKET STREET, ST. LOUIS, MISSON	URI		63101
(Address of principal executive office	ces)		(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, include	ding area cod	e (314)	342-3400
	N/A		
(Former name or former addre	ess, if chang	ed since la	st report.)
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ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS AND REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

On October 16, 2002, Peabody Energy Corporation issued a press release concerning Adjusted EBITDA and earnings per share for the quarter ended December 31, 2002 and revised guidance on Adjusted EBITDA and earnings per share for the year ended December 31, 2002.

- ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS
 - 99.1 Press release of Peabody Energy Corporation dated October 16, 2002.

SIGNATURE

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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

Date: October 17, 2002 By: RICHARD A. NAVARRE

Richard A. Navarre
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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

Exhibit

No.	Description of Exhibit
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