

CLOUD PEAK ENERGY INC.  
Form 8-K  
February 16, 2012

**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): **February 16, 2012**

**Cloud Peak Energy Inc.**

**Cloud Peak Energy Resources LLC**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

**001-34547**

**26-3088162**

**Delaware**

**333-168639**

**26-4073917**

(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**505 S. Gillette Ave., Gillette, Wyoming**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**82716**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(307) 687-6000**

**Not Applicable**

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

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On February 16, 2012, Cloud Peak Energy Inc. issued a press release discussing its full year and fourth quarter 2011 financial results and related matters. The full text of the press release is furnished with this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 (including Exhibit 99.1) of this Report is furnished pursuant to this Item 2.02 and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, notwithstanding any general incorporation by reference language in other Cloud Peak Energy filings.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is being furnished herewith.

99.1 Press release, dated February 16, 2012, issued by Cloud Peak Energy Inc. discussing its full year and fourth quarter 2011 financial results and related matters.

**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.

**CLOUD PEAK ENERGY INC.**

Date: February 16, 2012

By: /s/ Amy J. Stefonick  
Name: Amy J. Stefonick  
Title: Corporate Secretary

**CLOUD PEAK ENERGY RESOURCES LLC**

Date: February 16, 2012

By: /s/ Amy J. Stefonick  
Name: Amy J. Stefonick  
Title: Corporate Secretary

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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