

ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS LP
Form 8-K
September 27, 2013

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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): **September 27, 2013**

ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

Commission
File No.: **0-26823**

73-1564280
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1717 South Boulder Avenue, Suite 400, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(918) 295-7600

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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ITEM 7.01. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the following information, including the exhibits referenced therein, are being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and are not deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, are not subject to the liabilities of that section and are not deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

On September 27, 2013, Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. (ARLP) announced that its subsidiary, Excel Mining, LLC, issued Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN) Act notices to all employees at the Pontiki mining complex in Martin County, Kentucky. The Pontiki mining complex is owned by Pontiki Coal, LLC and operated by Excel Mining, LLC, both wholly-owned subsidiaries of ARLP.

The Pontiki mining complex currently employs approximately 142 workers and has generated 2013 year-to-date coal sales and production volumes of approximately 613,000 tons and 634,000 tons, respectively. ARLP does not currently expect the closure of the Pontiki mine to have a material impact on its 2013 financial results.

A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. press release dated September 27, 2013

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, thereunto duly authorized.

Alliance Resource Partners, L.P.

By: Alliance Resource Management GP, LLC,
its managing general partner

By: /s/ Joseph W. Craft III
Joseph W. Craft
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: September 27, 2013