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Form 8-K  
March 17, 2003

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) March 17, 2003

PEABODY ENERGY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

1-16463

13-4004153

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification

701 MARKET STREET, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

63101

(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.)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS AND REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

On March 17, 2003, Peabody Energy Corporation issued a press release announcing the pricing of its senior notes due 2013 to be sold to certain institutional investors in a transaction that is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933. A copy of Peabody's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

See the Exhibit Index at page 4 of this report.

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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.

PEABODY ENERGY CORPORATION

Date: March 17, 2003

/s/ RICHARD A. NAVARRE

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Richard A. Navarre  
Vice President, Chief 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 -----
99.1	Press release of Peabody Energy Corporation dated March 7, 2003.

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