

PEABODY ENERGY CORP

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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On January 27, 2009, Peabody Energy Corporation ( Peabody ) issued a press release setting forth Peabody s fourth quarter and full year 2008 financial results. A copy of Peabody s press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information contained in this Current Report shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

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99.1	Press Release of Peabody Energy Corporation dated January 27, 2009.
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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**

*January 27, 2009*

By: */s/ Michael C. Crews*

Name: *Michael C. Crews*

Title: *Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer*

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