PEABODY ENERGY CORP Form S-3MEF

July 29, 2003

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 29, 2003.

Registration No. 333-______

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

_____ Form S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

PEABODY ENERGY CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

1222

13-4004153

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Classification Code Number)
Incorporation or 701 Market Street
Organization) St. Louis, Missouri 63101-1826

(Primary Standard Industrial (I.R.S. Employer Classification Code Number) Identification Number) Classification Code Number)

(314) 342-3400

(Address, Including Zip Code, and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Registrant's Principal Executive Offices)

Jeffery L. Klinger, Esq. Peabody Energy Corporation 701 Market Street

St. Louis, Missouri 63101-1826

(314) 342-3400

(Name, Address, Including Zip Code, and Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent for Service)

With copies to: Rise B. Norman, Esq. Simpson Thacher & Bartlett 425 Lexington Avenue New York, New York 10017

_____ Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this registration statement.

If the only securities being registered on this form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box.[]

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box.[]

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. [X] 333-102516

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.[]

If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box.[]

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Registration
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	704,339	\$31.61	\$22,264,155	\$1,802
Preferred stock purchase rights(2)				
Total	704,339	\$31.61	\$22,264,155	\$1,802

- (1) Calculated in accordance with Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- (2) The preferred stock purchase rights initially will trade together with the common stock. The value attributable to the preferred stock purchase rights, if any, is reflected in the offering price of the common stock.

This registration statement shall become effective upon filing with the Commission in accordance with Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

INCORPORATION OF EARLIER REGISTRATION STATEMENT BY REFERENCE

The Registrant hereby incorporates herein by reference the contents of its Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-102516, which constitutes Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration No. 333-85564 and Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration No. 333-84174), which was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 21, 2003.

PART II

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

(a) Exhibits

All exhibits filed with or incorporated by reference into Registration Statement No. 333-102516 are incorporated by reference into, and shall be deemed part of, this Registration Statement, except for the following, which are filed herewith.

No.	Description of Exhibi
Exhibit	

- 5.1 Opinion of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 5.1 of the Registrant's Form S-3 Registration No. 333-102516).
- 23.1 Consent of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett (included in Exhibit 5.1).
- 23.2 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Auditors.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized on July 29, 2003.

PEABODY ENERGY CORPORATION

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed on the 29th day of July, 2003 by the following persons in the capacities indicated:

Signature	
*	Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Director
Irl F. Engelhardt	(Principal Executive Officer)
*	Executive Vice President and
	Chief Financial Officer

Richard A. Navarre

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Director

*		Director
Bernard J. Duroc-Danner		
*		Director
Roger H. Goodspeed		
*		Director
William E. James		
*		Director
Robert B. Karn III		
*		Director
		Director
Henry E. Lentz		
*		Director
William C. Rusnack		
*		Director
James R. Schlesinger		
*		Director
Blanche M. Touhill		
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*		Director
Sandra Van Trease		

Alan H. Washkowitz

*By: /s/ Jeffery L. Klinger _____ Attorney-in-Fact

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