

ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS LP
Form 8-K
December 21, 2005

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): December 16, 2005

ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS, L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware | | 73-1564280 |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) | Commission File No.: 0-26823 | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

1717 South Boulder Avenue, Suite 600, 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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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On December 20, 2005, Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. (the Partnership) announced by press release the following: (1) its subsidiary, Alliance Coal, LLC, has entered into a new coal sales agreement, (2) estimated 2006 capital expenditures and (3) the Partnership confirmed its 2005 guidance ranges. A copy of the Partnership s press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. press release dated as of December 20, 2005.

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 III

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: December 21, 2005